IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1981 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QBE Europe SA/

NV, a company incorporated in Belgium, is applying to the Minister of Finance under the provisions of the Companies Act 1981 for a permit to carry on

business from within Bermuda as a Class 4 insurer under the

Insurance Act 1978. APPLEBY (BERMUDA)

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