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### **Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears the proposed acquisition by Kepak Group of the business, property and assets of John Kelly Meats Unlimited Company**

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The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has today cleared the proposed transaction whereby Kepak Group, through its indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary, Kepak Cork, would acquire the business, property and assets, constituting a meat processing plant located in Lisheen, Ballynacally, Ennis, Co. Clare, which is currently owned and operated by John Kelly Meats Unlimited Company.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its Determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the Determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

#### **Additional Information**

Kepak Group is a private unlimited company which is incorporated and registered in the State, with its head office located in Clonee, Co. Meath. It comprises three business units, namely Kepak Meat Division, Kepak Convenience Foods and Kepak Frozen Division and its main business is the primary processing and marketing of a full range of meat proteins in varied formats and presentations.

John Kelly Meats is a private unlimited company which owns and operates a meat processing plant located at Lisheen, Ballynacally, Ennis, Co. Clare.