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■ **Limagrain confirms the initiation of exclusive negotiations with Brossard**

Groupe Limagrain Holding has initiated exclusive negotiations with Monsieur Guy Schumacher with a view to acquiring a stake of 77.16% in the capital stock of the company Brossard, whose shares are listed on the Alternext market.

Closing of the transaction remains dependent on the finalization of adequate legal documentation. If the operation is achieved, it will result in the filing of a take-over bid, in compliance with the provisions of the general regulations of the AMF (authority governing French markets).

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