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# **Garda World Security Corporation**

("GardaWorld") through its wholly-owned subsidiary Fleming Capital Securities, Inc. ("Fleming")

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On 2 December 2020, GardaWorld published an offer document (the "**Increased Offer Document**") setting out the terms of its increased cash offer, made through its wholly-owned subsidiary Fleming, to acquire the entire issued and to be issued share capital of G4S plc ("**G4S**") (other than the G4S Shares already held by Fleming) (the "**Cash Offer**"). On 22 February 2021, GardaWorld announced that the Cash Offer was final and will not be revised.

As at 1.00 p.m. (London time) on 16 March 2021 (being the closing date of the Cash Offer), Fleming had received valid acceptances in respect of a total of 1,127,991 G4S Shares, representing approximately 0.07 per cent. of the issued share capital of G4S, which Fleming may count towards the satisfaction of the Acceptance Condition. So far as Fleming is aware, none of these acceptances have been received from persons acting in concert with Fleming.

In addition, Fleming holds in aggregate 24,065,190 G4S Shares, representing approximately 1.55 per cent. of G4S's issued share capital. Accordingly, Fleming either holds, or has received valid acceptances of its Cash Offer in respect of, a total of 25,193,181 G4S Shares, representing approximately 1.62 per cent. of G4S's issued share capital, which may count towards satisfaction of the Acceptance Condition. The percentage of G4S Shares referred to in this section is based upon a figure of 1,551,594,436 G4S Shares in issue.

As such, the Acceptance Condition has not been satisfied and the Cash Offer has now lapsed and is no longer capable of acceptance. Any G4S Shareholders who have accepted the Cash Offer cease to be bound by their acceptances.

In respect of G4S Shares held in certificated form, the First Form of Acceptance and/or Second Form of Acceptance (as

applicable), share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title will be returned by post (or by such other method as may be approved by the Panel) within 14 days of the Cash Offer lapsing to the person or agent whose name and address (outside any Restricted Jurisdiction) is set out in the relevant box on the relevant Form of Acceptance or, if none is set out, to the first-named or sole holder at his or her registered address (provided that no such documents will be sent to an address in any Restricted Jurisdiction).

In respect of G4S Shares held in uncertificated form, Computershare, the Receiving Agent, will, immediately (or within such longer period as the Panel may permit, not exceeding 14 days after the lapsing of the Cash Offer), give instructions to Euroclear to transfer all G4S Shares held in escrow balances and in relation to which it is the escrow agent for the purposes of the Cash Offer to the original available balances of the G4S Shareholders concerned.

Defined terms used but not defined in this announcement have the same meanings as set out in the Increased Offer Document.

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G4S Shareholders are advised to read the Increased Offer Document, the Original Offer Document and the Second Form of Acceptance carefully because they contain important information in relation to the Cash Offer. Any decision by G4S Shareholders in respect of the Offer should be made only on the basis of the information contained in the Increased Offer Document, the Original Offer Document and the Second Form of Acceptance.

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## Rounding

Certain figures included in this announcement have been subjected to rounding adjustments.

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Subject to certain restrictions relating to persons in any Restricted Jurisdictions, G4S Shareholders may request a hard copy of the Increased Offer Document, the Original Offer Document and the Second Form of Acceptance by contacting Computershare, by telephone between 8.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. (London time) Monday to Friday (excluding English and Welsh public holidays) on 0370 707 4021 or, if calling from outside the United Kingdom, +44 (0) 370 707 4021. Calls may be recorded and randomly monitored for security and training purposes. The helpline cannot provide advice on the merits of the Cash Offer nor give any financial, legal or tax advice.

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