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Fondiaria-SAI S.p.A. and Milano Assicurazioni S.p.A. announce the disposal of their 5.14% shareholding in Swiss Life/Rentenanstalt to Swiss Life Holding, the listed holding company controlling the Swiss insurance group.

**Milan, 3 December 2003 -** Fondiaria-SAI S.p.A. and Milano Assicurazioni S.p.A. signed an agreement yesterday with regard to the disposal of their 5.14% shareholding in Swiss Life/Rentenanstalt to Swiss Life Holding. Swiss Life/Rentenanstalt is the main operating company of the Swiss Life Group which was delisted in September 2003.

Fondiaria-SAI S.p.A. and Milano Assicurazioni S.p.A. respectively hold 1.98% and 3.15% of Swiss Life/Rentenanstalt's share capital.

Fondiaria-SAI S.p.A. and Milano Assicurazioni S.p.A. are to receive a cash amount in the region of  $\in$  137 million (respectively  $\in$  53 million and  $\in$  84 m), resulting in a capital gain in the region of  $\in$  17 million for Fondiaria-SAI S.p.A. and a capital loss in the region of  $\in$  32 million for Milano Assicurazioni S.p.A.

With this transaction, the Fondiaria-SAI Group further rationalises its group participations without altering the strategic nature of its investment in Swiss Life Holding, where the Fondiaria-SAI Group remains the largest shareholder with a stake of approximately 10%. The Fondiaria-SAI Group remains committed to studying the creation of a joint venture with Swiss Life Holding in the Italian life insurance sector.

The transaction will complete on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2003 and is subject to no extraordinary events taking place prior to that date.