COMPANIES ACT 1985

PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

OF

PRINCIPAL PORTFOLIOS 2 PLC

(passed on \ March 1998)

"THAT, in accordance with regulation 50(B)(i) of the Company's Articles of Association, the Company approves the sale or transfer of its shares to Houter March 1998 addressed to pursuant to an Offer Letter dated 18 the March 1998 addressed to shareholders in respect of an offer for the entire issued share capital of the Company at a price of 105p per share, notwithstanding that this may result in the Company being under the control of another Company".

Secretary

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