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Rank responds to Government consultation on remote gambling

The Rank Group Plc ('Rank') has responded to the Department for Culture, Media & Sport's 'Consultation on the Regulatory Future of Remote Gambling in Great Britain'.

In summary, Rank is not opposed in principle to the Government's proposals so long as they are implemented within the scope of a broader programme of reform. Without this, Rank does not believe that the Government will be able to achieve the "fairness" objective identified by the consultation paper.

A full copy of Rank's response to the consultation is available from:

http://www.rank.com/downloads/response_to_remote_consultation.pdf

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1. About The Rank Group Plc

The Rank Group Plc is a leading European gaming and betting business, based in the UK and listed on the London Stock Exchange (RNK.L). Its principal activities are the operation of bingo clubs and casinos with complementary interactive gaming and bookmaking services.

Rank's operations comprise:

- **Grosvenor Casinos** – 35 casinos in Great Britain; two casinos in Belgium
- **Mecca Bingo** – 103 bingo clubs in Great Britain
- **Top Rank Espana** – 11 bingo clubs in Spain
- **Rank Interactive** – online and mobile gaming and betting. Branded websites include bluesq.com, meccabingo.com and gcasino.com.

Rank's businesses receive more than 20 million customer visits per year and the Group employs around 8,000 team members.

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