THIS LETTER IS IMPORTANT AND REQUIRES YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION. If you are in any doubt as to the action you should take, you should consult your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant or other independent financial adviser duly authorised under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 if you are resident in the United Kingdom, or another appropriately authorised independent financial adviser if you are resident in a territory outside the United Kingdom.

# LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES GROUP PLC SHARESAVE SCHEME 2020 SAYE

**ACTION REQUIRED:** This Letter is important and explains the impact of the Acquisition on your Option and what you need to do. Please read it carefully.

You will need to make a decision about whether you want to exercise your Option.

If you wish to exercise your Option in full, you will need to take action before your Option lapses.

If you do nothing, your Option will ultimately lapse and you will receive no value for it. Therefore, we recommend that you exercise your Option before it lapses.

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To: The holder of an Option (the "Participant") granted in 2020 under the Learning Technologies Group Plc Sharesave Scheme ("SAYE")

24 December 2024

**Dear Participant** 

Recommended acquisition of Learning Technologies Group plc ("LTG") by Leopard UK Bidco Limited ("Bidco") (a newly formed company owned by funds managed by GASC APF, L.P. and certain of its managed funds (including Atlantic Park), accounts and/or affiliates)

As you know, LTG and Bidco announced on 4 December 2024 that they had agreed the terms and conditions of a recommended acquisition of the entire issued, and to be issued, ordinary share capital of LTG by Bidco. In this Letter, this is referred to as the "**Acquisition**".

You are receiving this Letter because you hold an option granted under the SAYE in 2020 (your "Option"). Your Option has an exercise price of £0.947 per LTG Share.

This Letter tells you about the impact of the Acquisition on your Option, the choices you have, assuming the Acquisition proceeds, and what you need to do. In the Appendix to this Letter you will find further details regarding the Acquisition, including the anticipated timetable, as well as a definitions section which explains the key defined terms used in this Letter.

A copy of this Letter can also be found on LTG's website at <a href="https://ltgplc.com/offer-microsite/">https://ltgplc.com/offer-microsite/</a>. This Letter should be read together with the Scheme Document, a copy of which is also available on the same LTG website.

# **Proposal**

Bidco is required by the Takeover Code to make an "appropriate proposal" to holders of options (including your Option) to safeguard their interests in the context of the Acquisition.

The **proposal** is that you exercise your Option in full before it lapses and receive £1.00 for each LTG Share acquired on exercise (which is what LTG Shareholders will receive for each of their LTG Shares under the Scheme) (the "**Consideration**").

Please note that if any dividend, distribution and/or return of value is proposed, authorised, declared, made or paid by LTG (or becomes payable) in respect of LTG Shares, Bidco reserves the right to reduce the cash consideration payable under the terms of the Acquisition by the amount of any such dividend, distribution and/or other return of value.

#### How to accept the proposal

Please read this Letter, together with the Appendix, in full.

If you then wish to accept the proposal, you must exercise your Option in full by contacting YBS in the normal way no later than the earlier of: (i) 1 March 2025, and (ii) 20 days following the Court Sanction.

If you do nothing, your Option will ultimately lapse and you will receive no value for it.

#### Recommendation

The LTG Directors other than Andrew Brode and Jonathan Satchell (the "Independent LTG Directors"), who have been so advised by Goldman Sachs and Deutsche Numis as to the financial terms of the proposal set out in this Letter, consider the terms of such proposal to be fair and reasonable. In providing their advice to the Independent LTG Directors, Goldman Sachs and Deutsche Numis have taken into account the commercial assessments of the Independent LTG Directors. Goldman Sachs and Deutsche Numis are providing independent financial advice to the Independent LTG Directors for the purposes of Rule 15.2 of the Takeover Code.

THE INDEPENDENT LTG DIRECTORS RECOMMEND THAT YOU ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AS SET OUT IN THIS LETTER AND EXERCISE YOUR OPTION IN FULL BEFORE IT LAPSES. You should consider your own personal circumstances, including your tax position, when deciding whether to accept the proposal for exercising your Option.

#### Questions

If you have any questions about your Option, please contact the YBS Share Plan Helpline on +44 (0)345 1 200 300. Lines are open 9.00am - 5.00pm Monday to Friday and 9.00am - 1.00pm on Saturdays (excluding public holidays in England and Wales). If you have any questions on the contents of this Letter, please contact sharequeries@ltgplc.com but please be aware that no legal, tax, financial or investment advice on the Acquisition, the SAYE and/or your choices can be provided by LTG, Bidco or YBS.

Yours faithfully

Learning Technologies Group PLC

**Leopard UK Bidco Limited** 

#### **APPENDIX**

#### SECTION 1. IMPACT OF THE ACQUISITION ON YOUR OPTION

# 1. When can I exercise my Option?

Your Option has already vested. You can, therefore, exercise your Option when you choose (subject to the LTG Share dealing code, if applicable) up to the date that it lapses. Please note that the Acquisition will not extend the exercise period of your Option nor alter the number of LTG Shares in respect of which the Option has vested.

Upon exercise, you must use the savings you have accumulated in your relevant savings contract to pay the aggregate exercise price due.

Your Option will lapse on the earlier of 1 March 2025 or 20 days after Court Sanction (unless it lapses earlier under the rules of the SAYE). If your Option lapses, your savings will be returned to you.

<u>Please note that waiting to exercise your Option will not increase the number of LTG Shares vested nor the cash amount payable to you.</u>

# 2. What is the proposal and how do I accept it?

If you do nothing, your Option will ultimately lapse and you will receive no value for it.

The proposal is that you exercise your Option in full before it lapses. Each of the LTG Shares you receive on exercise of your Option will then be bought automatically by Bidco as part of the Acquisition. You will receive the Consideration of £1.00 for each LTG Share you hold (subject to any adjustment provided for under the Scheme and the deductions mentioned below).

To accept the proposal to exercise your Option in full, please contact YBS in the normal way before 1 March 2025 (or, if earlier, 20 days following the Court Sanction).

# 3. Can I exercise my Option in full?

Yes.

# 4. If the Acquisition proceeds, when will I receive my cash payments after I exercise my Option?

If the exercise of your Option takes effect before Court Sanction (and if you still hold the resulting LTG Shares at the Scheme Record Time), your LTG Shares will be bought by Bidco as part of, and conditional upon completion of, the Acquisition. If the Acquisition goes ahead, the cash consideration will be payable by Bidco within 14 days of the Acquisition completing.

If the exercise of your Option takes effect following the Scheme Record Time but in the 20 day period after Court Sanction, your LTG Shares will be bought automatically by Bidco under a provision in the LTG Articles, conditional upon the completion of the Acquisition and for the

same consideration (the "**Transfer**"). The Consideration will be payable by Bidco within 14 days of the Transfer completing.

In either case, the Consideration will be paid to you through the next practicable payroll after the Consideration has been despatched by Bidco, to your nominated bank account or otherwise in accordance with the Scheme Document or amended LTG Articles (as appropriate).

# 5. What happens under the other LTG Share Plans?

If you hold other awards or options under the LTG Share Plans, you will receive a separate communication in respect of each of these awards or options.

# 6. How will I be taxed?

A high level summary of the UK tax implications of the Acquisition in relation to your Option is set out in Section 4 of this Appendix. If you have any doubt about the tax treatment of your Option, you should obtain your own independent tax advice.

# 7. What happens if I do nothing?

If you do not exercise your Option, your Option will lapse on the earlier of 1 March 2025 and 20 days after Court Sanction and you will receive no value for it. Your savings will be returned to you.

#### **SECTION 2. ACQUISITION SUMMARY**

# 1. How does the Acquisition work?

The Acquisition is expected to be carried out through a process called a "scheme of arrangement". The Scheme has to be approved by LTG Shareholders and the Court. If you want to read more about this, please go to <a href="https://ltgplc.com/offer-microsite/">https://ltgplc.com/offer-microsite/</a> on the LTG website, where you will find the Scheme Document for the Acquisition that was sent to LTG Shareholders and Participants (for their information only) on 20 December 2024. A copy of this Letter is also available on the same LTG website.

# 2. What will LTG Shareholders receive under the Acquisition?

For each LTG Share sold to Bidco through the Scheme, an LTG Shareholder will receive £1.00, unless they elect to receive Rollover Securities (as defined in the Scheme Document) under an Alternative Offer (as defined in the Scheme Document) in lieu of the cash consideration. However, if any dividend, distribution and/or return of value is proposed, authorised, declared, made or paid by LTG (or becomes payable by LTG) in respect of LTG Shares, Bidco reserves the right to reduce this payment by the amount of any such dividend, distribution and/or other return of value.

# 3. Can I elect to receive Rollover Securities under an Alternative Offer?

If you hold or acquire LTG Shares (including pursuant to the exercise of your Option) in time to accept an Alternative Offer to receive Rollover Securities in lieu of the cash consideration in respect of all or part of your holding of LTG Shares, you may do so by following the instructions set out in Part 7 (*How to Make an Election for an Alternative Offer*) of the Scheme Document. Further detail in relation to the Alternative Offers and the Rollover Securities is set out in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Part 2 (*Explanatory Statement*) and Part 6 (*Summary of the Alternative Offers, the Rollover Securities and the Topco Group*) of the Scheme Document. The latest time for accepting an Alternative Offer in respect of LTG Shares is the Election Return Time (as defined in the Scheme Document), being 13.00 (UK time) on the fifth Business Day prior to the date of Court Sanction.

You may not elect to receive Rollover Securities under an Alternative Offer if you accept the proposal and exercise your Option after the Election Return Time as it will be too late to accept an Alternative Offer.

### 4. When will the Acquisition take place?

The date for Court Sanction has not yet been set but, subject to the Acquisition being approved by LTG Shareholders, Court Sanction is anticipated to occur in the first quarter of 2025. Therefore the timing of Court Sanction and the Acquisition completing (known as the Effective Date) cannot be guaranteed and will be announced if and when known.

# 5. What will happen if the Acquisition does not complete?

Your Option will lapse on 1 March 2025 in any event.

#### **SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS**

Acquisition the proposed acquisition by Bidco of the entire issued, and to be

issued, ordinary share capital of LTG by means of the Scheme, or should Bidco so elect, and where required the Panel consents and subject to the terms of the Cooperation Agreement, by means of an Offer and, where the context admits, any subsequent revision,

variation, extension or renewal thereof

**Business Dav** a day, not being a public holiday. Saturday or Sunday, on which

clearing banks in London, New York and Jersey are open for normal

business

**Cooperation Agreement** the cooperation agreement dated 4 December 2024 between Bidco

and LTG

**Court** the High Court of Justice in England and Wales

**Court Sanction** the sanctioning of the Scheme by the Court, anticipated to occur in

the first quarter of 2025. LTG will confirm the exact date once it is

known.

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Deutsche Numis)

Effective Date the date on which the Scheme becomes effective shortly following

Court Sanction, LTG will confirm the exact date once it is known.

Goldman Sachs means Goldman Sachs International

Letter the letter pursuant to Rule 15 of the Takeover Code dated

24 December 2024 from LTG and Bidco explaining the impact of the Acquisition on the Option granted under the SAYE in 2020 and

containing Bidco's proposal in relation to the same

LTG Board or LTG

**Directors** 

the directors of LTG

**LTG Group**LTG and its subsidiary undertakings and where the context permits,

each of them

LTG Share Plans the LTG Enterprise Management Incentive (EMI) Share Option Plan.

the LTG Nominal Cost Option Plan, the LTG Long Term Incentive Plan, the LTG U.S. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, the SAYE, the LTG Colombian Employee Stock Purchase Plan and the LTG Peak

Performance Plan

LTG Shareholders holders of LTG Shares

**LTG Shares** the existing unconditionally allotted or issued and fully paid ordinary

shares of £0.00375 each in the capital of LTG and any further shares which are unconditionally allotted or issued before the Effective Date

and "LTG Share" means any one of them

Panel The Panel on Takeovers and Mergers

SAYE the Learning Technologies Group Plc Sharesave Scheme

Scheme the proposed scheme of arrangement under Part 26 of the

Companies Act 2006 between LTG and LTG Scheme Shareholders (as defined in the Scheme Document), with or subject to any modification, addition or condition approved or imposed by the Court and agreed by LTG and Bidco, to implement the acquisition of the entire issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of LTG by Bidco

Scheme Document the document dated 20 December 2024 sent to LTG Shareholders

containing, amongst other things, the Scheme

Scheme Record Time the time and date to be specified in the Scheme Document, expected

to be 6.00 p.m. on the Business Day immediately following the date

of the Court Sanction

**Takeover Code** the Takeover Code issued by the Panel (as defined in the Scheme

Document) as amended from time to time

#### **SECTION 4. TAX TREATMENT**

This schedule contains a summary of the main UK tax implications of exercising your Option and accepting the proposal set out in this Letter. The summary is based on existing law and what is understood to be current HM Revenue & Customs practice as at the date of this Letter. Please note that tax rules and legislation can change. The summary is intended as a general guide only and applies only to Participants resident for tax purposes in the UK, both at the time the Option was granted and the time it is exercised. It does not constitute tax advice to any individual Participant. If you are in any doubt about your taxation position, or you are resident or otherwise subject to taxation in a jurisdiction other than the UK, you should consult your tax adviser immediately.

#### Will I have to pay income tax on exercise of my Option?

No. It is anticipated that you will not have to pay income tax and national insurance contributions on the exercise of your Option.

#### Will I have to pay capital gains tax ("CGT")?

When the LTG Shares you acquire on exercise of your Option are subsequently acquired by Bidco you will be treated as having made a disposal for CGT purposes.

The amount of any gain will be the difference between the total proceeds due to you from Bidco for your LTG Shares and the price you paid to acquire them (i.e. the exercise price of your Option). You will only have to pay CGT to the extent that your gains from the sale and any other chargeable gains you make in that tax year exceed the unused part of your personal CGT allowance for the tax year in which the sale takes place (the aggregate annual exemption is £3,000 for 2024/25 tax year). You may also be able to benefit from other exemptions, reliefs or allowable losses. Further details on these matters is however beyond the scope of this schedule.

# **Accounting for CGT**

Any CGT due on the sale of LTG Shares will be payable by you to HM Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") under self-assessment. No tax withholding will be applied by LTG (or your employer in the LTG Group) to cover any CGT when you exercise your Option. You are recommended to put aside money to pay any CGT that is due when the time comes.

You will be required to provide HMRC with all information needed to calculate the CGT. Even if you do not automatically receive a tax return you must request one from HMRC. If the gain on sale of the LTG Shares arises before 6 April 2025, any CGT due would be payable to HMRC by 31 January 2026 at the latest.

#### **SECTION 5. LEGAL NOTES**

The release, publication or distribution of this Letter and accompanying documents, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, in, into or from jurisdictions other than the United Kingdom may be restricted by the laws of those jurisdictions and therefore persons into whose possession these documents come should inform themselves about, and observe, any such restrictions. Any failure to comply with the restrictions may constitute a violation of the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. To the fullest extent permitted by law, LTG and Bidco disclaim any responsibility or liability for the violation of such restrictions by such persons.

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Your Option is governed by the rules of the SAYE and in the event of a conflict between this Letter and the rules of the SAYE or any relevant legislation, the rules of the SAYE or the legislation will prevail. Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions defined in the Scheme Document and the rules of the SAYE have the same meaning in this Letter.

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ensure that such is the case), the information (including any expressions of opinion) contained in this Letter for which they accept responsibility is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

The Bidco Directors, whose names are set out in Part 5 (*Additional Information*) of the Scheme Document, each accept responsibility for the information (and expressions of opinion) contained in this Letter relating to Bidco, the Bidco Group, the Bidco Directors and members of their immediate families, close relatives, related trusts and persons connected with them including, without limitation, information relating to Bidco's strategy and future intentions for LTG. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Bidco Directors (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information (including any expressions of opinion) contained in this document for which they are responsible is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Accidental omission to despatch this Letter to, or any failure to receive the same by, any person to whom the proposals are made or should be made, shall not invalidate the proposals in this Letter in any way.

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Please also read the additional information addressed to people in certain countries as set out in the "Overseas Shareholders" section at Part 2 of the Scheme Document as if that wording is set out in this Letter and addressed to you, as appropriate.

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