Pronouncement of the Final Decision Regarding the Investigation about Nestle Türkiye Gıda Sanayi AŞ according to Article 49 of the Act no 4054 on the Protection of Competition

According to the Report prepared and the Additional Opinion, evidence collected, written pleas, the explanations made during the hearing and the scope of the file examined regarding the investigation, which was conducted as per the Board decision dated 15.12.2022 and numbered 22-55/850-M, it has been decided UNANIMOUSLY that

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- i) Nestle Türkiye Gıda Sanayi AŞ violated article 4 of the Act no 4054 on the Protection of Competition by means of resale price maintenance and imposing customer and region restrictions to its distributors,
- ii) The said practices cannot benefit from block exemption provided by the Block Exemption Communiqué no 2002/2 on Vertical Agreements, the practices in question cannot be granted individual exemption either,
- iii) Therefore, according to article 16(3) of the same Act and Article 5(1)(b), 5(2) and 5(3)(a) of the Regulation on Fines to Apply in cases of Agreements, Concerted Practices and Decisions Limiting Competition, and Abuse of Dominant Position, at a certain rate of the annual gross revenues in 2022, by discretion, Nestle Türkiye Gıda Sanayi AŞ shall be imposed 346.911.505,44-TL administrative fines

with the decision subject to appeal before Ankara Administrative Courts within 60 days as of the notification of the reasoned decision.