

NATIONAL SECURITY AND INVESTMENT ACT 2021 Publication of notice of final order

Date: 14 July 2022

- 1. The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ("the Secretary of State") has made a final order pursuant to section 26 of the National Security and Investment Act 2021 ("the Act"), which came into force on 14 July 2022.
- 2. The Parties who are subject to the order are:
 - i. Sepura Ltd
 - ii. Epiris LLP
 - Iii. Epiris GP
 - iv. Sword Bidco Ltd
- 3. Epiris LLP, Epiris GP and Sword Bidco Ltd gained control in the qualifying entity, Sepura Ltd by increasing the percentage of shares held in the qualifying entity and by increasing the percentage of voting rights held in the qualifying entity from less than 75% to 75% or more. This acquisition constitutes a trigger event under section 8(2)(c) and 8(5)(c) of the Act.
- 4. The order provides assurance that sensitive information and technology is protected and to ensure the maintenance of UK capabilities in repairing, servicing and maintaining the devices used in the TETRA Airwave network and Emergency Services Network used by emergency services in the UK. The parties to the order are required to implement enhanced controls to protect sensitive information and technology from unauthorised access, and to provide rights of access to premises and information so that relevant agencies are able to audit compliance with the security measures.
- 5. The Secretary of State considers that the final order is necessary and proportionate to mitigate the risk to national security.