

PRESS RELEASE

COMPLETED THE SHARE PURCHASE SCHEME OF OWN UNIPOL ORDINARY SHARES FOR THE STOCK GRANTING PLAN IN FAVOUR OF THE FORMER EMPLOYEES OF AURORA ASSICURAZIONI

Unipol Gruppo Finanziario completed the share purchase scheme of own Unipol ordinary shares communicated to the market on 8 May 2008 and authorised by the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting on 24 April 2008.

The scheme was implemented on 23 May 2008 when 315,000 ordinary Unipol shares were purchased in one single transaction, i.e. 0.021% of the ordinary share capital, at €1.651 each, for a total of €520,065.

The transaction aimed at purchasing the shares required for the stock granting plan in favour of the former employees of Aurora Assicurazioni S.p.A. (incorporated into Unipol Gruppo Finanziario with effect from 1 September 2007), in accordance with Article 132 of the *Testo Unico della Finanza* [Single Financial Services Act], Article 144 *bis* of the Regulation on Issuers and other laws and regulations as applicable.

Unipol Gruppo Finanziario does not currently hold own shares.

We communicate that on 23 May 2008 the subsidiary Aurora Assicurazioni S.p.A. also completed the share purchase scheme of Unipol ordinary shares issued by the holding company Unipol Gruppo Finanziario, as authorised by the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting on 22 April 2008, through the purchase of 257,000 Unipol ordinary shares in one single transaction, i.e. 0.02% of the issuer's ordinary share capital, at €1.651 each, for a total of €424,307. This scheme was communicated to the market on 22 May 2008 and was aimed at purchasing the shares required for the stock granting plan in favour of the employees of Aurora Assicurazioni S.p.A., which has the same features of the scheme approved by the holding company.

The shares of the holding company were acquired by Aurora Assicurazioni S.p.A. in accordance with the above mentioned laws and regulations.

Today no further shares issued by the holding company are owned by Aurora Assicurazioni S.p.A.

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