

Appendix 3B

New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

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Name of entity

Simonds Group Limited

ABN

54 143 841 801

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 - All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

1 +Class of +securities issued or to be issued

- 1) Performance Rights; and
- 2) Unlisted options

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

<p>2 Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued</p>	<p>1) Performance rights:</p> <p>a. FY2015 Performance Rights 112,360 Performance Rights issued to group executives under the Simonds Group Employee Share Plan (ESP)</p> <p>b. FY2016 Performance Rights 141,524 Performance Rights issued to group executives under the Simonds Group ESP</p> <p>c. FY2017 Performance Rights 514,286 Performance Rights issued to CEO and Managing Director and CEO under the Simonds Group ESP, as approved by shareholders at the 2016 AGM held on 31 January 2017</p> <p>3,350,000 Performance Rights issued to Group Executives under the Simonds Group ESP</p> <p>2) unlisted options 4,000,000 unlisted options granted to the Managing Director and CEO under the Simonds Group ESP, as approved by shareholders at the 2016 AGM held on 31 January 2017</p>
<p>3 Principal terms of the +securities (e.g. if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)</p>	<p>Performance rights</p> <p>Each performance right is a conditional entitlement to receive one fully paid ordinary share in Simonds Group Limited (SIO) subject to satisfaction of performance conditions over a 3 year performance period.</p> <p>Unlisted options</p> <p>4,000,000 unlisted options granted to the CEO and Managing Director following approval by shareholders at the 2016 AGM held on 31 January 2017, on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement included with the 2016 Notice of Meeting dated 20 December 2016, with an exercise price of \$0.40, vesting date of 30 September 2019 and expiry date 30 September 2022.</p>

4	<p>Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the +issue date with an existing +class of quoted +securities?</p> <p>If the additional +securities do not rank equally, please state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment 	<p>1) Performance Rights Any ordinary shares to be allotted on vesting of performance rights will rank equally with existing ordinary shares from the date of allotment.</p> <p>2) Unlisted options n/a – unlisted options. On exercise of options, any ordinary shares then acquired will rank equally with existing ordinary shares from the date of exercise.</p> <p>Neither the performance rights nor the unlisted options carry any rights to vote, to dividends or to participate in any corporate actions.</p>
5	Issue price or consideration	Nil
6	<p>Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Performance rights FY2015, FY2016 and FY 2017 Performance Rights offers under the Simonds Group ESP to eligible employees.</p> <p>Unlisted options 4,000,000 options issued under the Simonds Group ESP to the CEO and Managing Director on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement accompanying the 2016 Notice of Annual General Meeting.</p>
6a	<p>Is the entity an +eligible entity that has obtained security holder approval under?</p> <p>If Yes, complete sections 6b – 6h <i>in relation to the +securities the subject of this Appendix 3B</i>, and comply with section 6i</p>	No
7	<p>+Issue dates</p> <p>Note: The issue date may be prescribed by ASX (refer to the definition of issue date in rule 19.12). For example, the issue date for a pro rata entitlement issue must comply with the applicable timetable in Appendix 7A.</p> <p>Cross reference: item 33 of Appendix 3B.</p>	<p>Performance Rights FY2015 – 28 November 2014 FY2016 – 29 January 2016 FY2017 – 27 February 2017</p> <p>Unlisted options 27 February 2017</p>

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8	Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities quoted on ASX (including the ⁺ securities in section 2 if applicable)	Number	⁺ Class
		143,841,655	Ordinary Shares

9	Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities not quoted on ASX (including the ⁺ securities in section 2 if applicable)	Number	⁺ Class
		112,360	FY2015 Performance Rights under the Simonds Group ESP with a three year performance period ending on 31 August 2017
		141,524	FY2016 Performance Rights under the Simonds Group ESP with a three year performance period ending on 30 June 2018.
		3,864,286	FY2017 Performance Rights under the Simonds Group ESP with a three year performance period ending on
		4,000,000	Unlisted options under the Simonds Group ESP vesting 30 September 2019 and expiring 30 September 2022

10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	N/A
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Part 2 - Pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	N/A for all of part 2
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	
13	Ratio in which the ⁺ securities will be offered	
14	⁺ Class of ⁺ securities to which the offer relates	

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| 15 | +Record date to determine entitlements | |
| 16 | Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements? | |
| 17 | Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions | |
| 18 | Names of countries in which the entity has security holders who will not be sent new offer documents

<small>Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with.
Cross reference: rule 7.7.</small> | |
| 19 | Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations | |

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20	Names of any underwriters	
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of security holders	
25	If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and offer documents will be sent to persons entitled	
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	
30	How do security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	
31	How do security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	

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32 How do security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?

33 ⁺Issue date

Part 3 - Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

34 Type of ⁺securities
(tick one)

(a) ☐ ⁺Securities described in Part 1

(b) ☐ All other ⁺securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

35 ☐ If the ⁺securities are ⁺equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional ⁺securities, and the number and percentage of additional ⁺securities held by those holders

36 ☐ If the ⁺securities are ⁺equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional ⁺securities setting out the number of holders in the categories

1 - 1,000

1,001 - 5,000

5,001 - 10,000

10,001 - 100,000

100,001 and over

37 ☐ A copy of any trust deed for the additional ⁺securities

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Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38	Number of +securities for which +quotation is sought					
39	+Class of +securities for which quotation is sought					
40	<p>Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the +issue date with an existing +class of quoted +securities?</p> <p>If the additional +securities do not rank equally, please state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the date from which they do the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment 					
41	<p>Reason for request for quotation now</p> <p>Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period</p> <p>(if issued upon conversion of another +security, clearly identify that other +security)</p>					
42	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the +securities in clause 38)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Number</th> <th>+Class</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Number	+Class		
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Quotation agreement

- 1 +Quotation of our additional +securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the +securities on any conditions it decides.
- 2 We warrant the following to ASX.
 - The issue of the +securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
 - There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
 - An offer of the +securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.
Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty
 - Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any +securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any +securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
 - If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the +securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- 3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- 4 We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document is not available now, we will give it to ASX before +quotation of the +securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here:



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Date: 27 February 2017

(Company secretary)

Print name:

Elizabeth Hourigan

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Appendix 3B – Annexure 1

Calculation of placement capacity under rule 7.1 and rule 7.1A for eligible entities

Introduced 01/08/12 Amended 04/03/13

Part 1

Rule 7.1 – Issues exceeding 15% of capital	
Step 1: Calculate “A”, the base figure from which the placement capacity is calculated	
Insert number of fully paid +ordinary securities on issue 12 months before the +issue date or date of agreement to issue	
Add the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of fully paid +ordinary securities issued in that 12 month period under an exception in rule 7.2• Number of fully paid +ordinary securities issued in that 12 month period with shareholder approval• Number of partly paid +ordinary securities that became fully paid in that 12 month period Note: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Include only ordinary securities here – other classes of equity securities cannot be added</i>• <i>Include here (if applicable) the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed</i>• <i>It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items</i>	
Subtract the number of fully paid +ordinary securities cancelled during that 12 month period	
“A”	

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Step 2: Calculate 15% of “A”	
“B”	0.15 <i>[Note: this value cannot be changed]</i>
Multiply “A” by 0.15	
Step 3: Calculate “C”, the amount of placement capacity under rule 7.1 that has already been used	
<p>Insert number of +equity securities issued or agreed to be issued in that 12 month period <i>not counting</i> those issued:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under an exception in rule 7.2 • Under rule 7.1A • With security holder approval under rule 7.1 or rule 7.4 <p><i>Note:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>This applies to equity securities, unless specifically excluded – not just ordinary securities</i> • <i>Include here (if applicable) the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed</i> • <i>It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items</i> 	
“C”	
Step 4: Subtract “C” from [“A” x “B”] to calculate remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1	
<p>“A” x 0.15</p> <p><i>Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2</i></p>	
<p>Subtract “C”</p> <p><i>Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3</i></p>	
Total [“A” x 0.15] – “C”	<i>[Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1]</i>

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Part 2

Rule 7.1A – Additional placement capacity for eligible entities	
Step 1: Calculate “A”, the base figure from which the placement capacity is calculated	
“A” <i>Note: number must be same as shown in Step 1 of Part 1</i>	
Step 2: Calculate 10% of “A”	
“D”	0.10 <i>Note: this value cannot be changed</i>
Multiply “A” by 0.10	
Step 3: Calculate “E”, the amount of placement capacity under rule 7.1A that has already been used	
Insert number of +equity securities issued or agreed to be issued in that 12 month period under rule 7.1A Notes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>This applies to equity securities – not just ordinary securities</i> • <i>Include here – if applicable – the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed</i> • <i>Do not include equity securities issued under rule 7.1 (they must be dealt with in Part 1), or for which specific security holder approval has been obtained</i> • <i>It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items</i> 	
“E”	

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Step 4: Subtract “E” from [“A” x “D”] to calculate remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1A	
“A” x 0.10 <i>Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2</i>	
Subtract “E” <i>Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3</i>	
Total [“A” x 0.10] – “E”	<i>Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1A</i>

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