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SECOND SWISS ACQUISITION

SETTLEMENT OF LABOR 28 ACQUISITION

Sonic Healthcare Limited ("Sonic", SHL.AX) is pleased to announce its second acquisition in Switzerland, the Laboratory Prof. Krech Group, with operations in Zurich and Kreuzlingen. The group has annualised revenues of circa CHF 5 million and employs approximately 40 staff. Prof Krech and his team have built an outstanding reputation for quality and service in the German-speaking region of Switzerland. The group offers a full range of laboratory services to general practitioners and specialists, including in-house courier operations. Synergies with Medica Group, Sonic's existing Swiss laboratory business, are expected to be substantial.

Prof. Thomas Krech, founder and CEO, will oversee the planned integration with Medica together with Dr. Franz Kaeppeli, CEO of Medica. Prof. Krech will continue to work for Sonic's Swiss operations in a senior leadership position.

Furthermore, Sonic announces that it has completed the transaction to acquire 100% of the Labor 28 Group in Berlin, Germany, referred to in our release to the market dated 2 June 2008.

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