



IN THE COMPETITION
APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case No: 1517/11/7/22 (UM)
1483/5/7/22 (T)

BETWEEN:

- (1) ALLIANZ INSURANCE PLC
- (2) ALLIANZ BUSINESS SERVICES LIMITED
- (3) FAIRMEAD INSURANCE LIMITED
- (4) HOME AND LEGACY INSURANCE SERVICES LIMITED
- (5) LIVERPOOL VICTORIA INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
- (6) PET PLAN LIMITED

Claimants

- v -

- (1) VISA EUROPE LIMITED
- (2) VISA EUROPE SERVICES LLC
- (3) VISA UK LIMITED
- (4) VISA INC.

Defendants

CONSENT ORDER

UPON the claim form in these proceedings being issued in the High Court on 6 November 2020 (CP-2020-000019) (the “**Claim Form**”)

AND UPON reading the Order of the Chancellor of the High Court dated 7 April 2022 (as amended) transferring the various cases listed in the schedule to that order (which included these proceedings) to the Competition Appeal Tribunal (the “**Transfer Order**”)

AND UPON the Umbrella Proceedings Order of the President dated 4 July 2022 designating these proceedings as Host Cases in Case No 1517/11/7/22 (UM) (the “**Merchant Interchange Fee Umbrella Proceedings**”)

AND UPON the Amended Claim Form in these proceedings being served on the Defendants on 8 December 2022

AND UPON the Particulars in these proceedings being served on the Defendants on 27 February 2024

AND UPON each of Allianz Business Services Limited (“**ABSL**”) and Home and Legacy Insurance Services Limited (“**H&L**”) having assigned to Allianz Holdings Plc all claims they each have against the Defendants in the Merchant Interchange Fee Umbrella Proceedings (the “**Assignment**”)

AND UPON each of ABSL and H&L having confirmed to the Defendants that they have not under the Assignment assigned to Allianz Holdings Plc any rights in respect of any Merchant Service Charges paid by those entities after 31 May 2024

AND UPON Allianz Holdings Plc having confirmed to the Defendants that it does not intend to bring a claim of its own (separate from those which it has been assigned by ABSL and H&L or by any other entity) in the Merchant Interchange Fee Umbrella Proceedings

AND UPON Allianz Holdings Plc having confirmed to the Defendants that it will not contest liability for any costs order that might be made in the Defendants’ favour relating to costs incurred prior to the date of the Assignment, relating or attributable to ABSL and/or H&L, on the basis that Allianz Holdings Plc was not a party to the proceedings during that period

AND UPON the parties having agreed to the terms of the Order set out below

IT IS ORDERED BY CONSENT THAT:

1. Allianz Holdings Plc be substituted as Claimant in place of the Second Claimant, Allianz Business Services Limited, and in place of the Fourth Claimant, Home and Legacy Insurance Services Limited, pursuant to rule 38 of the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules 2015.
2. The Amended Claim Form and Particulars of Claim be amended to effect the above substitutions in the form provided to the Tribunal on 19 September 2024 (the “Re-Amended Claim Form” and “Amended Particulars of Claim”, respectively).
3. The Re-Amended Claim Form and Amended Particulars of Claim be verified by a statement of truth and filed with the Tribunal within seven days of the date of this Order.
4. A copy of the Re-Amended Claim Form and Amended Particulars of Claim be provided to the Defendants at the same time as they are filed with the Tribunal and formal service be dispensed with.
5. Costs in the case.

Ben Tidswell

Chair of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 8 October 2024

Drawn: 9 October 2024