

**PROPOSAL OF SAMPO PLC'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR AUTHORISATION TO DECIDE ON REPURCHASING SAMPO SHARES**

The Board of Directors of Sampo plc ("Sampo") proposes that the Annual General Meeting authorise the Board to decide on repurchasing Sampo A shares using funds available for profit distribution.

Sampo A shares can be repurchased in one or more lots up to a total of 50,000,000 shares. Sampo shares can be repurchased in other proportion than the shareholders' proportional shareholdings (private repurchase).

The share price will be no higher than the highest price paid for Sampo plc shares in public trading at the time of the purchase. However, in implementing the repurchase of Sampo shares, normal derivatives, stock lending or other contracts may also be entered into within the legal and regulatory limits, at the price determined by the market.

The holder of all Sampo plc B shares has given consent to a buy-back of A shares.

It is proposed that the authorisation will be valid until the close of the next Annual General Meeting, provided this is not more than 18 months from the Annual General Meeting's decision.

Helsinki, 11 February 2009

SAMPO PLC  
Board of Directors