



IN THE COMPETITION
APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case No: 1645/5/7/24
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BETWEEN:

LOUIS VUITTON MALLETTIER SAS AND OTHERS
AS LISTED IN THE ANNEX

Claimants

- v -

VISA EUROPE LIMITED AND OTHERS

Defendants

ORDER

UPON the Orders of the High Court dated 28 June 2024 and 1 July 2024 (as applicable),
transferring these proceedings to the Competition Appeal Tribunal

AND UPON the Claimants serving their Particulars of Claim on 26 April 2024

AND UPON the parties having previously agreed pursuant to CPR 15.5(1) to extend by 28 days the deadline for the Defendants to file their Defences in the proceedings

AND UPON the Orders of the High Court dated 28 June 2024 and 1 July 2024 (as applicable) extending the deadline for the Defendants to file their Defences in the proceedings further by six (6) weeks to 6 August 2024

AND UPON the Order of the President dated 4 July 2022 in Case No. 1517/11/7/22 (UM) Merchant Interchange Fee Umbrella Proceedings (the “Interchange Fee Umbrella Proceedings”) designating various individual merchant interchange fee proceedings listed in the schedule to that Order as “Host Cases” and designating all issues, matters or features arising out of the Merchant Umbrella Proceedings as Ubiquitous Matters (the “Umbrella Proceedings Order”)

AND UPON the Order of the Tribunal made on 23 December 2022 (as amended by Orders of the Tribunal dated 10 May 2023 and 20 October 2023) giving directions regarding the future conduct of the Interchange Fee Umbrella Proceedings (the “Future Conduct Order”)

AND UPON the Tribunal’s judgment of 26 July 2023 ([2023] CAT 49) (the “Volvo Limitation Judgment”) in respect of the interpretation and application of Case C-267/20 (“Volvo”) in the Interchange Fee Umbrella Proceedings

AND UPON permission being granted to appeal the Volvo Limitation Judgment on 4 December 2023

AND UPON the Claimants having pleaded in reliance on Volvo as to matters of limitation and reserved the right to plead further as regards the law applicable in the United Kingdom following the final determination of the issues considered in the Volvo Limitation Judgment, including any final appeal

AND UPON READING the letter of Linklaters LLP dated 1 August 2024

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Umbrella Proceedings Order and the schedule thereto are varied to include these proceedings which are named as a Host Case in case name and number: “1517/11/7/22 (UM) Merchant Interchange Fee Umbrella Proceedings”.
2. Upon the variation described in paragraph 1 of this Order, the Future Conduct Order (as amended) shall apply to the proceedings.
3. Upon the variation described in paragraph 1 of this Order, the deadline for the Defendants to file and serve their defence in the proceedings will be determined in accordance with paragraph 15 of the Future Conduct Order (as amended).

4. There be liberty to apply.

5. Costs in the case.

Ben Tidswell

Chair of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 7 August 2024

Drawn: 7 August 2024

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