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## FIRST QUARTER TRADING UPDATE

RELX Group, the global professional information and analytics company, has issued a trading update ahead of the Annual General Meetings, and reaffirmed the outlook for the full year.

- Trends in the first quarter of 2016 were consistent with 2015 across our business
- We continued to focus on organic development, with supporting acquisition activity similar to prior years, but limited completions in the year to date
- Our financial position remains strong
- We have completed £225m of the previously announced £700m share buyback, with the remaining £475m to be deployed by year end
- **The full year outlook is unchanged:** We remain confident that, by continuing to execute on our strategy, we will deliver another year of underlying revenue, profit, and earnings growth in 2016

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### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

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### Notes for Editors About RELX Group

RELX Group is a world-leading provider of information and analytics for professional and business customers across industries. The group serves customers in more than 180 countries and has offices in about 40 countries. It employs approximately 30,000 people of whom half are in North America. RELX PLC is a London listed holding company which owns 52.9% of RELX Group. RELX NV is an Amsterdam listed holding company which owns 47.1% of RELX Group. The shares are traded on the London, Amsterdam and New York Stock Exchanges using the following ticker symbols: London: REL; Amsterdam: REN; New York: RELX and RENX. The total market capitalisation is approximately £27bn/€34bn/\$38bn\*.

\*Note: Current market capitalisation can be found at <http://www.relx.com/investorcentre>