TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES¹

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying is of existing shares to which voting rights a attached:	G4S plc					
2 Reason for the notification (please tick the	e appro	oriate box or boxes):				
An acquisition or disposal of voting rights			Х			
An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached An acquisition or disposal of instruments with similar economic effect to qualifying						
financial instruments An event changing the breakdown of voting right.	ahts					
Other (please specify):						
3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation: TIAA-CREF Investment Management, LLC on b accounts listed in Exhibit B. Teachers Advisors, Inc. on behalf of the funds L Exhibit C						
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):						
5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: \(^{\text{V}}\)	30 January 2015					
6. Date on which issuer notified:	3 February 2015					
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: vi, vii	3%					

8. Notified details:									
A: Voting rights attached to shares viii, ix									
Class/type of Situation previous to the triggering transaction Resulting situation after the triggering transaction transaction									
if possible using the ISIN CODE	Number Number of		Number of shares	Number of vo	oting	% of voting rights *			
	Shares	Voting Rights	Direct	Direct xi	Indirect xii	Direct	Indirect		
GB00B01FLG62	46,066,427	46,066,427	47,686,279	47,686,279	0	3.073%	0%		

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments								
Resulting situation after the triggering transaction								
Type of financial instrument	Expiration date xiii	Exercise/ Conversion Period xiv	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/ converted.	% of voting rights				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				

C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments xv, xvi								
Resulting situation after the triggering transaction								
Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	Expiration date xvii	Exercise/ Conversion period xviii	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	% of voting rights XIX,			
N/A	NI/A	NI/A	NI/A	N/A	Nominal	Delta		
N/A N/A N/A N/A		N/A	N/A					

Total (A+B+C)						
Number of voting rights	Percentage of voting rights					
47,686,279	3.073%					

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: $^{\rm xxi}$

The College Retirement Equities Fund ("CREF") hereby informs you as of January 30, 2015 we held 10,828,409 shares of G4S Plc. CREF owns these shares through two of its investment accounts, the Global Equities Account and Stock Account. It is our understanding the total voting shares outstanding of G4S Plc is 1,551,594,436 bringing CREF's ownership in your company to a .698% level.

For your information, CREF is a U.S. based investment company, which is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). CREF has multiple investment accounts, each with separate investment objectives and policies. All assets in the accounts are beneficially owned by CREF, and all the accounts are managed by TIAA-CREF Investment Management, LLC, an SEC registered investment adviser.

Additionally, affiliates of CREF on January 30, 2015 bought 1,619,852 shares bringing the total owned to 36,857,870 shares of G4S Plc. These holdings are owned by the TIAA-CREF Funds ("Funds"), and the TIAA-CREF Life Funds ("Life Funds"), each of which are SEC registered investment companies. The Funds and Life Funds are managed by Teachers Advisors, Inc., an SEC registered investment adviser that is affiliated with TIAA-CREF Investment Management, LLC. These affiliated funds, aggregated with those of CREF, own a total of 47,686,279 or 3.073% of the outstanding voting shares of your company. Because Teachers Advisors, Inc. and TIAA-CREF Investment Management, LLC follow the same policies when voting these funds, we are aggregating the holdings for purposes of this letter.

(See Exhibit A)

Proxy Voting:							
10. Name of the proxy holder:	TIAA-CREF Investment Management, LLC/Teachers Advisors, Inc.						
11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:	N/A						
12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights:	N/A						

13. Additional information:	None				
14. Contact name:	Peter David, Company Secretary				
15. Contact telephone number:	+ 44(0)1293 554584				

EXHIBIT A

TIAA-CREF Summary of Holdings of G4S Plc Between January 29, 2015 - January 30, 2015

	TIAA-CREF Investment Management LLC ("CREF")			<u>Teachers Advisors, Inc.</u>					Aggregate Holding		
	Global Equities Account	Stock Account	Total CREF Holdings	Total CREF %	TIAA-CREF International Equity Fund	TIAA-CREF Life International Equity Fund	TIAA- CREF Intl Equity Index Fund	Total Mutual Funds Holdings	Total Mutual Funds %	Total Holdings	Total %
Holdings as of January 29, 2015	78,478	10,772,805	10,851,283	0.699%	33,690,134	770,850	754,160	35,215,144	2.270%	46,066,427	2.969%
Transactions as of January 30, 2015	-	(22,874)	(22,874)	-0.001%	1,563,216	79,510	-	1,642,726	0.106%	1,619,852	0.104%
Holdings as of January 30, 2015	78,478	10,749,931	10,828,409	0.698%	35,253,350	850,360	754,160	36,857,870	2.375%	47,686,279	3.073%

Total Voting Shares Outstanding 1,551,594,436

Exhibit B.

TIAA-CREF Investment Management, LLC

College Retirement Equities Fund ("CREF") *

- CREF Stock Account
- CREF Global Equities Account
- * Registered Investment Company

Exhibit C.

Teachers Advisors, Inc.

TIAA-CREF Funds *

- International Equity Fund
- International Equity Index Fund

TIAA-CREF Life Funds *

- Life International Equity Fund
- * Registered Investment Company