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Inspection by European Commission

Tokyo, Japan

Asahi Glass Co., Ltd. (AGC) confirms that its Belgian subsidiaries, Glaverbel S.A., and AGC Automotive Europe S.A. were inspected on February 22nd and 23rd 2005 by the European Commission in connection with alleged infringements of European Competition laws in the area of flat glass and automotive glass. Both group companies are co-operating in the Commission's inspection.

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