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The Autorité des marchés financiers warns the public against the activities of the company MARBLE ART INVEST

The Autorité des marchés financiers (AMF) draws the attention of the public to the activities of the company MARBLE ART INVEST, headquartered in London. Its website is www.marbleartinvest.fr.

This company proposes an investment in works of art, claiming guaranteed yields of 4% per quarter, or over 16% per annum.

The AMF wishes to remind those investors who might be attracted by this offer that such a high rate of return, although guaranteed, is unrealistic in the light of current interest rate levels.

The AMF points out that the investment proposed by the company MARBLE ART INVEST has not been granted any authorisation or approval, and that the said company is not entitled to conduct banking or financial direct marketing activities in France.

The AMF has already received complaints from investors who are encountering difficulties with this company. It has referred the information in its possession on MARBLE ART INVEST to the Paris Public Prosecutor's Office, and the investors in question may contact the said Office.

More generally, the AMF recommends extreme precaution towards offers guaranteeing rates that are well above those of the market: there is no such thing as an investment solution combining extraordinary returns and absolute security.

Before committing yourself, you must check that your financial intermediary is in possession of all the required authorisations (www.amf-france.org > Check for an authorisation). The intermediary is required to provide you with all the information necessary to understand the nature of the product, the risks it entails and the total amount of the fees you will be charged.

If you have any questions, further information is available on our website <http://www.amf-france.org> or from the AMF Investor Information Service Team "Epargne Information Service" on +33 (0)1 5345 6200, Mondays to Fridays from 9am to 5pm.