

Adecco under negotiations to acquire Spanish HR services company Humangroup

CHESEREX, SWITZERLAND – April 28, 2005: Following reports in today's Spanish media regarding Adecco and Humangroup, Adecco confirms that it is in discussions regarding a potential transaction.

No further comment will be issued at this stage.

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