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Supreme Court rejects appeal against Ondernemingskamer decision

The Netherlands Supreme Court has rejected Ageas's appeal against the mismanagement decision of the Ondernemingskamer.

As reported previously¹, the Ondernemingskamer (Dutch Companies and Business Court) found in 2012 that there was mismanagement in respect of certain elements of the policy that Fortis pursued between September 2007 and September 2008.

Subsequently, the Ondernemingskamer partly nullified the decision of the general shareholders meeting of Fortis N.V. to discharge the Board of Directors for its management during 2007.

Now that the Supreme Court has rejected Ageas's appeal, the decision of the Ondernemingskamer is final.

This decision does not imply any assessment of loss or liability for compensation. That is a matter for other proceedings.

(The text of this judgement is available -in Dutch- on www.hogeraad.nl.)

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