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Alexander Hecker joined Lazard in Frankfurt (Germany) in 2000 and moved to Paris (France) in 2003 to join Lazard's Cross-European M&A team with a focus on cross-border transactions. In 2009, Mr. Hecker moved to New York and joined Lazard's NA General Banking team. Mr. Hecker has advised corporate and financial investor clients in various industries on international M&A transactions in more than 20 jurisdictions. Recent selected transactions include: the take private of Heinz for Berkshire Hathaway and 3G Capital, the acquisition of Grupo Modelo by Anheuser-Busch InBev and the related sale of the Modelo US operations to Constellation, the acquisition of Cervecería Nacional Dominicana by AmBev, the take private of Burger King by 3G Capital, the take private of Playboy Industries, the acquisition of Anheuser-Busch by InBev (as well as the earlier establishment of the distribution agreement between InBev and Anheuser-Busch for the U.S.), the disposal of a 19.9% stake in Tsingtao to Asahi, the disposal of Busch Entertainment to The Blackstone Group, the merger of Interbrew and AmBev, the acquisition of Brauerei Beck's, the divestiture of Eckes Spirituosen & Wein as well as the disposal of Eckes & Stock International and the acquisition of Novartis Medical Nutrition business and Gerber by Nestlé.

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