GLAXOSMITHKLINE PLC Form 6-K June 22, 2015

FORM 6-K

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For period ending June 2015

GlaxoSmithKline plc (Name of registrant)

980 Great West Road, Brentford, Middlesex, TW8 9GS (Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes No x

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Regulatory update on divestment of Nimenrix and Mencevax

GlaxoSmithKline plc (LSE/NYSE: GSK) today announced it is divesting its meningitis vaccines Nimenrix and Mencevax to Pfizer Ireland Pharmaceuticals (a subsidiary of Pfizer Inc).

The sale follows commitments given to the European Commission and other regulators in connection with the merger control clearances obtained for GSK's three-part transaction with Novartis AG, which completed on 2 March 2015. As part of the transaction, GSK acquired Novartis's vaccines business (excluding influenza vaccines) including the meningitis vaccines Menveo and Bexsero. In order to satisfy regulatory clearances as part of the transaction, GSK agreed to divest its legacy meningitis vaccines Nimenrix and Mencevax, which are sold outside the US and achieved combined global sales in 2014 of £34 million.

The agreementwith Pfizer Ireland Pharmaceuticals remains subject to final European Commission approval, other regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions, which we hope to receive in the coming months. It is expected that the sale will be completed before the end of the year. The total consideration for the sale, including some deferred consideration, is  $\\mathcal{e}115$  million (£82 million).

Pfizer Ireland Pharmaceuticals is deemed, under Listing Rule 11.1.4R, to be a related party of GSK as a result of holdings of the Pfizer group in ViiV Healthcare Limited.

The sale is a smaller related party transaction under Listing Rule 11.1.10R (1) and has been agreed following a confirmation from GSK's sponsor that the terms of the sale are fair and reasonable as far as GSK's shareholders are concerned.

GSK - one of the world's leading research-based pharmaceutical and healthcare companies - is committed to improving the quality of human life by enabling people to do more, feel better and live longer. For further information please visit www.gsk.com.

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Cautionary statement regarding forward-looking statements

GSK cautions investors that any forward-looking statements or projections made by GSK, including those made in this announcement, are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Such factors include, but are not limited to, those described under Item 3.D 'Risk factors' in the company's Annual Report on Form 20-F for 2014.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

GlaxoSmithKline plc (Registrant)

Date: June 22, 2015

By: VICTORIA WHYTE

Victoria Whyte Authorised Signatory for and on behalf of GlaxoSmithKline plc