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(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.8076 — Warburg Pincus/Wendel/JV)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)

(2016/C 231/05)

- 1. On 17 June 2016, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (¹) by which Warburg Pincus LLC ('Warburg Pincus', United States) and Wendel SE ('Wendel', France) acquire, within the meaning of Article 3(4) of the Merger Regulation, joint control over a newly created joint venture, AlliedUniversal Security Services LLC ('AUSS', United States), by way of purchase of shares.
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- for Warburg Pincus: global private equity firm.
- for Wendel: French investment firm.
- for AUSS: will comprise Universal Services of America, a portfolio company held by affiliates of Warburg Pincus, and AlliedBarton Security Services, a portfolio company held by affiliates of Wendel. The new JV will be active in the provision of security services and facilities management in North America.
- 3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved. Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (²) it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in this Notice.
- 4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation to the Commission.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (+32 22964301), by email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference M.8076 — Warburg Pincus/Wendel/JV, to the following address:

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

⁽²⁾ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.