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Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.11779 - OAKTREE / APOLLO)
Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 26 November 2024, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾.

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

- Oaktree Capital Holdings LLC (USA), controlled by Oaktree Capital Group Holdings GP, LLC, (USA) and Brookfield Corporation (Canada),
- Apollo Group (USA).

Oaktree Capital Holdings LLC will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Apollo Group.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:

- Oaktree Capital Holdings LLC is a global alternative and non-traditional investment management firm that invests in distressed debt, high yield bonds, convertible securities, senior loans, corporate control, real estate, emerging market equities and mezzanine finance,
- Apollo Group is a full-service hospitality management company serving primarily cruise liners.

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 treatment for certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings ⁽²⁾ it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the 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. The following reference should always be specified:

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

⁽²⁾ OJ C 160, 5.5.2023, p. 1.

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