

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case No IV/M.576 — Ferruzzi Finanziaria/Fondiaria)**

(95/C 118/07)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 4 May 1995, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 ⁽¹⁾ by which Ferruzzi Finanziaria SpA acquires within the meaning of Article 3 (1) (b) control of the whole of Fondiaria SpA by way of purchase of shares. Hitherto Fondiaria SpA has been jointly controlled by Ferruzzi Finanziaria SpA and Macla International SA, a holding company regrouping the interests of the heirs of Camillo de Benedetti.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - Ferruzzi Finanziaria SpA: a holding company with interests in the agro industry, chemical, energy, engineering, concrete and insurance sectors,
 - Fondiaria SpA: a holding company active in the insurance, financial and real estate sectors.
3. Upon preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified concentration could fall within the scope of the abovementioned Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved.
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 telefax (fax No (32-2) 296 43 01) or by post, under reference number IV/M.576 — Ferruzzi Finanziaria/Fondiaria, to the following address:

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Directorate-General for Competition (DG IV),
Merger Task Force,
Avenue de Cortenberg/Kortenberglaan 150,
B-1049 Brussels.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 395, 30. 12. 1989; Corrigendum: OJ No L 257, 21. 9. 1990, p. 13.