

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case No IV/M.1013 — Shell UK Ltd/Gulf Oil (Great Britain) Ltd)**

(97/C 330/05)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 27 Octobre 1997, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89⁽¹⁾ by which the undertaking Shell UK Limited, part of the Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies, acquire(s) within the meaning of Article 3 (1) (b) of the Regulation control of the whole of Gulf Oil Great Britain Ltd (GOGB), by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— Shell UK Limited as part of the Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies, the exploration production and sale of oil and natural gas, and the production and sale of chemicals and coal,

— GOGB, oil refining and marketing.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified concentration could fall within the scope of Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89. 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.

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 2) 296 43 01/296 72 44) or by post, under reference IV/M.1013 — Shell UK Ltd/Gulf Oil (Great Britain) Ltd, to:

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Directorate-General for Competition (DG IV),
Directorate B — Merger Task Force,
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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 395, 30. 12. 1989; corrigendum: OJ L 257, 21. 9. 1990, p. 13.