

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - Alcatel: telecommunications systems and equipment (especially space-based), cables and components, also energy and transport (via GEC Alsthom),
  - Thomson CSF: specialised business and defence electronics, especially satellite control centres.
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 by fax (No (32-2) 296 43 01/296 72 44) or by post, under reference IV/M.1185 — Alcatel/Thomson CSF — SCS, to the following address:

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Directorate-General for Competition (DG IV),  
Directorate B — Merger Task Force,  
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#### Prior notification of a concentration

(Case No IV/M.1121 — Alcatel/Thomson SA — Thomson CSF)

(98/C 126/06)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 17 April 1998, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89<sup>(1)</sup> by which the undertakings Alcatel and Thomson SA acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Regulation joint control of the undertaking Thomson CSF by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - Alcatel: telecommunications systems and equipment (notably military), cables and components, engineering and systems, energy and transport (via GEC Alsthom),
  - Thomson CSF: specialised electronics, civil and military.
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.
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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 395, 30.12.1989. Corrigendum: OJ L 257, 21.9.1990, p. 13.