

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case No IV/M.1251 — Particitel International/Cableuropa)**

(98/C 213/05)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 1 July 1998, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1310/97 ⁽²⁾, by which the undertaking Particitel International belonging to the group Caisse de Dépôt et Placement de Québec acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Regulation joint control of the undertaking Cableuropa.

Other main shareholders in Cableuropa, via Spaincom, are General Electric and Bank America.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— Particitel International: investment vehicle in Cableuropa,

— Cableuropa: CATV, telecommunications services.

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 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference IV/M.1251 — Particitel International/Cableuropa, to the following address:

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Directorate-General for Competition (DG IV),
Directorate B — Merger Task Force,
Avenue de Cortenberg/Kortenberglaan 150,
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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 395, 30.12.1989, p. 1; corrigendum: OJ L 257, 21.9.1990, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 180, 9.7.1997, p. 1; corrigendum: OJ L 40, 13.2.1998, p. 17.