

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.5158 — Strabag/Kirchhoff)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2008/C 155/08)

1. On 10 June 2008, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertaking Strabag SE ('Strabag', Austria) which is controlled by Rasperia Trading Limited ('Rasperia', Cyprus), which in turn is controlled by Mr Oleg Deripasky who controls Basic Element Company ('Basic Element', Russia), Raiffeisen-Holding Niederösterreich-Wien reg. Gen.m.b.H ('Raiffeisen Holding', Austria), Uniqa Versicherungen AG ('Uniqa', Austria) and Dr Hans Peter Haselsteiner acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking F. Kirchhoff AG ('Kirchhoff', Germany) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for Strabag: construction services and building materials,
 - for Rasperia/Basic Element: activities in energy, commodities, aviation, engineering, financial services, construction, construction materials,
 - for Raiffeisen Holding: holding of participations in various industries,
 - for Uniqa: insurances,
 - for Dr Hans Peter Haselsteiner: participation in Strabag,
 - for Kirchhoff: construction and building materials.
3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. 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 fax ((32-2) 296 43 01 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference number COMP/M.5158 — Strabag/Kirchhoff, to the following address:

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⁽¹⁾ OJL 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.