Prior notification of a concentration

(Case COMP/M.5286 — Lion Capital/Foodvest)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2008/C 216/11)

1. On 13 August 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 Lion Capital LLP ('Lion Capital', the United Kingdom) acquire(s) within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Foodvest Equity Co. SA ('the Foodvest Group', the United Kingdom) by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

for Lion Capital: private equity investor,

 for Foodvest Group: processing and distribution of food products, serving the retail and food service sectors.

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.5286 — Lion Capital/Foodvest, to the following address:

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^{(&}lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.