

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION  
POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

**Prior notification of a concentration**

**(Case COMP/M.5554 — HAVI/KeyLux/STI Freight JV)**

**Candidate case for simplified procedure**

**(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2010/C 47/10)

1. On 17 February 2010, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> by which the undertakings HAVI Global Logistics GmbH (HAVI, Germany), belonging to HAVI Group LP (USA), and McKey Luxembourg S.à.r.l ('KeyLux', Luxembourg), belonging to Keystone Group (USA), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the EC Merger Regulation joint control of the undertaking STI Freight Management GmbH ('STI Freight', Germany) by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - for HAVI: food and non-food logistics and distribution, food processing, packaging and administrative services and promotional marketing,
  - for KeyLux: freight forwarding, logistics and distribution in the food sector,
  - for STI Freight: taking over of the activities of the 'STI Global Network' companies in the food/non-food freight forwarding sector.
3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the EC Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved. Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under the EC Merger Regulation <sup>(2)</sup> it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the Notice.
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 22964301), by email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.5554 — HAVI/KeyLux/STI Freight JV, to the following address:

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'EC Merger Regulation').

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32 ('Notice on a simplified procedure').