

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION
POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case COMP/M.5867 — Thomas Cook/Öger Tours)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2010/C 222/05)

1. On 10 August 2010 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 Thomas Cook AG ('TC', Germany) controlled by Thomas Cook Group plc acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of part of the undertaking Öger Tours GmbH ('Öger Tours', Germany) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for TC: package and independent holidays, flights, hotel accommodation and travel agency services,
 - for Öger Tours: package holidays.
3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope the EC Merger Regulation. 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 22964301), by e-mail to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.5867 — Thomas Cook/Öger Tours, to the following address:

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'EC Merger Regulation').