

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.6040 — Europcar/Daimler/car2go Hamburg JV)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2010/C 321/06)

1. On 15 November 2010, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004⁽¹⁾ by which Europcar Autovermietung GmbH ('Europcar', Germany, belonging to Eurazeo SA, France) and car2go GmbH ('car2go', Germany, controlled by the Daimler motor vehicle manufacturing group, Germany), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of car2go Hamburg GmbH ('car2go Hamburg', 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:

- Europcar: car rental services worldwide,
- car2go: short-term car rentals,
- car2go Hamburg: short-term car rentals.

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⁽²⁾ 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.6040 — Europcar/Daimler/car2go Hamburg JV, to the following address:

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

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