

**Prior notification of a concentration**  
**(Case COMP/M.6515 — Arrow Electronics/Altimate Group)**

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2012/C 154/14)

1. On 21 May 2012, 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 undertaking Arrow Electronics Inc ('Arrow', USA) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Altimate Group SA ('Altimate', France) by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Arrow: global wholesale distribution of electronic components (including semiconductors and passive, electromechanical and interconnect products) and enterprise computing solutions (software and hardware, including servers and data storage products) and ancillary support services to industrial and commercial users,
- for Altimate: wholesale distribution of software (in particular data management, IT management, security and virtualization software) and hardware products (in particular servers and data storage products) and related services mainly in the EEA (in particular in France, Portugal, Spain, the Benelux region, and the United Kingdom).

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.6515 — Arrow Electronics/Altimate Group, to the following address:

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