

**Prior notification of a concentration**  
**(Case COMP/M.6912 — Michael S. Dell/Dell)**  
**Candidate case for simplified procedure**  
**(Text with EEA relevance)**  
(2013/C 143/07)

1. On 15 May 2013, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 and following a referral pursuant to Article 4(5) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> by which MSD Capital, L.P. ('MSD Capital', USA), controlled by Michael S. Dell ('MD', USA), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of Dell Inc. ('Dell', USA), by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- MD is the founder, chairman and CEO of Dell,
- MSD Capital is MD's family investment firm,
- Dell is a publicly traded company active in the design, sale, support and repair of computing hardware (including personal computers, workstations and servers, networking products and storage products), imaging solutions (including printers), mobility solutions, and displays, software and services.

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.6912 — Michael S. Dell/Dell, 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').