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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case COMP/M.6967 — BNP Paribas Fortis/Belgacom/Belgian Mobile Wallet)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2013/C 265/09)

1. On 6 September 2013, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertakings BNP Paribas Fortis SA/NV ('BNPPF', Belgium) and Belgacom SA/NV ('Belgacom', Belgium) will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control over Belgian Mobile Wallet JV ('Belgian Mobile Wallet', Belgium) by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- BNP Paribas Fortis: provision of banking and financial services in Belgium,
- Belgacom: provision of wholesale and retail telecommunications services, fixed and mobile telecommunications, voice and data services, mainly in Belgium,
- Belgian Mobile Wallet: retail supply of mobile wallet platforms, mobile marketing/advertising, data analytics services and ticket storage services.

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.6967 — BNP Paribas Fortis/Belgacom/Belgian Mobile Wallet, to the following address:

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