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(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.7699 — CVC/Stage Entertainment)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2015/C 235/02)

1.   On 10 July 2015, 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 CVC Capital Partners SICAV-FIS SA ('CVC', Luxembourg) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the undertaking Stage Entertainment BV ('Stage Entertainment', the Netherlands) by way of purchase of shares.

2.   The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for CVC: advice to, and management of, investment funds,

— for Stage Entertainment: exploitation of theatres, production of musicals and shows and distribution of musical rights and content.

3.   On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the 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 Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ([2]) it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in this 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 M.7699 — CVC/Stage Entertainment, to the following address:

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([1]) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').
([2]) OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.