

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.7674 — Talanx/Nord/LB/Caplantic)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2015/C 235/03)

1. On 25 June, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which TAM (Germany) controlled by Talanx AG ('Talanx') and Nord/LB (Germany) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) joint control over Caplantic by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for TAM/Talanx: asset management, and non-life insurance, life insurance and reinsurance,
 - for NordLB: commercial banking and central banking for savings banks,
 - for Caplantic: alternative asset investment management.
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 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.7674 — Talanx/Nord/LB/Caplantic, 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.