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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.7759 — OMERS/AIMCo/ERM)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2015/C 385/06)

1. On 12 November 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 undertakings Alberta Investment Management Corporation on behalf of certain of its clients (Canada, 'AIMCo'), and OCP Investment Corporation, belonging to the OMERS Group (Canada, 'OMERS'), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking ERM Worldwide Group Limited (Canada, 'ERM') by way of an option agreement.

- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- OMERS is the administrator of the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System Primary Pension Plan and trustee of the pension funds. It manages a diversified global portfolio of stocks and bonds as well as real estate, private equity and infrastructure investments.
- AIMCo is one of Canada's largest and most diversified institutional investment fund managers, investing globally on behalf of its clients, various pension, endowment and government funds in the Province of Alberta.
- ERM is a global provider of environmental, health, safety, risk and social ('EHS') consulting services.

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 e-mail to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number M.7759 — OMERS/AIMCO/ERM, 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.