

**Prior notification of a concentration**  
**(Case M.7962 — ChemChina/Syngenta)**  
**(Text with EEA relevance)**  
(2016/C 363/08)

1. On 23 September 2016, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> by which the undertaking China National Chemical Corporation ('ChemChina', China) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Syngenta AG ('Syngenta', Switzerland) by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for ChemChina: new chemical materials and speciality chemical, basic chemicals, oil processing and refining, chemical equipment, rubber products, and agrochemicals,
- for Syngenta: agribusiness, in particular crop protection products, seeds, and lawn and garden products.

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.

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 Case M.7962 — ChemChina/Syngenta, to the following address:

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').