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## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

**Prior notification of a concentration****(Case M.8288 — Permira/Schustermann & Borenstein)****Candidate case for simplified procedure****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2016/C 463/12)

1. On 6 December 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 Permira Holdings Limited ('Permira', Guernsey), indirectly through funds managed or advised by it, acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Schustermann & Borenstein Holding GmbH ('S&B', Germany) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - for Permira: Private equity investments in a variety of industries,
  - for S&B: Retail of fashion products through online website ([www.bestsecret.com](http://www.bestsecret.com)) and three physical stores, which are located in Austria and Germany.
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 <sup>(2)</sup> 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](mailto:COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu) or by post, under reference M.8288 — Permira/Schustermann & Borenstein, to the following address:

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Directorate-General for Competition  
Merger Registry  
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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.