Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8827 — Apollo Management/CBR)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2018/C 64/09)

1. On 13 February 2018, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (1).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

- Apollo Capital Management, LP ('Apollo', United States of America),
- CBR Fashion Holding GmbH ('CBR', Germany).

Apollo acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of CBR.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- for Apollo: management of several investment funds that invest globally in companies and debt issued by companies in various businesses such as chemical, cruise line, hospital, security, financial services and glass packaging,
- for CBR: design, wholesale and retail of women's apparel.
- 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 the 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. The following reference should always be specified:

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Observations can be sent to the Commission by email, by fax, or by post. Please use the contact details below:

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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.