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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION
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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

Case M.9559 – Telefónica/Prosegur/Prosegur Alarmas España

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2019/C 412/06)

1. On 27 November 2019, 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:

- Telefónica S.A. ('Telefónica', Spain),
- Prosegur Compañía de Seguridad, S.A. ('PCS', Spain)
- Prosegur Alarmas España, S.L.U. ('Prosegur Alarmas', Spain), belonging to the group of PCS.

Telefónica and PCS acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the whole of Prosegur Alarmas.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Telefónica: a global telecommunications operator and mobile network provider, operating under a number of brands, including Movistar, O2 and Vivo. Telefónica is a 100% publicly owned company listed on the Madrid, New York, Lima and Buenos Aires Stock Exchanges,
- for PCS: provides security services to companies, homes and businesses. PCS's operations are divided in three business lines, namely alarms, security, and cash,
- for Prosegur Alarmas: active in the provision of alarms installation services and connection to reception centres in Spain.

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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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

⁽²⁾ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.

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