

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - Exxon: exploration, production, refining, marketing and transportation of crude oil, natural gas, petroleum products and petrochemicals; production and sale of coal and minerals; and power generation,
  - Mobil: exploration, production, refining, marketing and transportation of crude oil, natural gas, petroleum products and petrochemicals.
3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified concentration could fall within the scope of Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89. 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.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent by fax (No (32-2) 296 43 01 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference IV/M.1383 — Exxon/Mobil, to:

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### **Initiation of proceedings**

**(Case No IV/M.1412 — Hutchison Whampoa/RMPM/ECT)**

(1999/C 127/04)

**(Text with EEA relevance)**

On 14 April 1999, the Commission decided to initiate proceedings in the above mentioned case after finding that the notified concentration raises serious doubts as to its compatibility with the common market. The initiation of proceedings opens a second phase investigation with regard to the notified concentration. The decision is based on Article 6(1)(c) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89.

The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their observations on the proposed concentration to the Commission.

In order to be fully taken into account in the procedure, observations should reach the Commission not later than 15 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (No (32-2) 296 43 01 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference IV/M.1412 — Hutchison Whampoa/RMPM/ECT, to:

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