

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.5173 — STM/NXP/JV)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2008/C 134/12)

1. On 23 May 2008, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertakings STMicroelectronics NV ('STM', The Netherlands) and NXP BV ('NXP', The Netherlands) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of a newly created company constituting a joint venture.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for STM: semiconductor products,
 - for NXP: semiconductor products,
 - for the Joint Venture: semiconductor products for mobile telecommunications.
3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. 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 ((32-2) 296 43 01 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference number COMP/M.5173 — STM/NXP/JV to the following address:

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⁽¹⁾ OJL 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.