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⁽¹⁾ Text with EEA relevance

II

*(Information)*INFORMATION FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES
AND AGENCIES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case COMP/M.6448 — OPTrust/PGGM/Global Via Infraestructuras/Global Via Inversiones)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2012/C 26/01)

On 24 January 2012, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the common market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- in the merger section of the Competition website of the Commission (<http://ec.europa.eu/competition/mergers/cases/>). This website provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
 - in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website (<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/index.htm>) under document number 32012M6448. EUR-Lex is the on-line access to the European law.
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IV

(Notices)

NOTICES FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES AND AGENCIES

COUNCIL

Notice for the attention of the persons to which measures provided for in Council Decision 2011/72/CFSP, as amended by Council Decision 2012/50/CFSP, concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Tunisia apply

(2012/C 26/02)

COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

The following information is brought to the attention of the persons that appear in Annex I to Council Decision 2011/72/CFSP, as amended by Council Decision 2012/50/CFSP ⁽¹⁾, concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Tunisia.

The Council of the European Union has decided that the persons that appear in the abovementioned Annex should be included in the list of persons subject to restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2011/72/CFSP concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Tunisia.

The persons concerned may submit a request to the Council, together with supporting documentation, that the decision to include them on the abovementioned list should be reconsidered, to the following address:

Council of the European Union
General Secretariat
DG K Coordination
Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 175
1048 Bruxelles/Brussel
BELGIQUE/BELGIË

The attention of the persons concerned is also drawn to the possibility of challenging the Council's decision before the General Court of the European Union, in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article 275, second paragraph, and Article 263, fourth and sixth paragraphs, of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 27, 31.1.2012.

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates ⁽¹⁾

30 January 2012

(2012/C 26/03)

1 euro =

Currency	Exchange rate	Currency	Exchange rate		
USD	US dollar	1,3110	AUD	Australian dollar	1,2427
JPY	Japanese yen	100,53	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,3185
DKK	Danish krone	7,4341	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	10,1707
GBP	Pound sterling	0,83580	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,6042
SEK	Swedish krona	8,8996	SGD	Singapore dollar	1,6523
CHF	Swiss franc	1,2046	KRW	South Korean won	1 481,36
ISK	Iceland króna		ZAR	South African rand	10,3024
NOK	Norwegian krone	7,6810	CNY	Chinese yuan renminbi	8,2837
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9558	HRK	Croatian kuna	7,5818
CZK	Czech koruna	25,270	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	11 837,85
HUF	Hungarian forint	296,04	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	4,0097
LTL	Lithuanian litas	3,4528	PHP	Philippine peso	56,525
LVL	Latvian lats	0,6991	RUB	Russian rouble	39,8950
PLN	Polish zloty	4,2545	THB	Thai baht	40,903
RON	Romanian leu	4,3380	BRL	Brazilian real	2,2919
TRY	Turkish lira	2,3478	MXN	Mexican peso	17,0423
			INR	Indian rupee	65,2350

⁽¹⁾ Source: reference exchange rate published by the ECB.

V

(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION
POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

DECISION No 791

of 31 October 2011

opening a procedure for granting authorisation for the prospection and exploration of oil and natural gas, being underground natural resources as defined in Article 2(1)(3) of the Underground Natural Resources Act, in 'Block 1-21 Han Asparuh', located in the exclusive economic zone of the Republic of Bulgaria in the Black Sea, and announcing that authorisation will be granted on the basis of a competitive bidding procedure

(2012/C 26/04)

REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Pursuant to Articles 5(2), 7(2)(8), 42(1)(1) and 44(3) of the Underground Natural Resources Act, and Articles 4(1)(1) and 16 of the Regulation on the conduct of bidding and tendering procedures for granting authorisation for the prospection and/or exploration of, and awarding concessions for the production of, underground natural resources as defined by the Underground Natural Resources Act, adopted by Council of Ministers Resolution No 231 of 2010,

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAS DECIDED THAT:

1. A procedure shall be opened for granting authorisation for the prospection and exploration of oil and natural gas in 'Block 1-21 Han Asparuh', located in the exclusive economic zone of the Republic of Bulgaria in the Black Sea, having an area of 14 220 km² and defined by coordinates 1 to 22, as specified in the Annex.
2. The authorisation referred to in point 1 shall be granted on the basis of a competitive bidding procedure under which bidders are not present when the bids are considered.
3. The authorisation period for prospection and exploration shall be set at five years from the date on which the prospection and exploration agreement enters into force, with a right to extend this period pursuant to Article 31(3) of the Underground Natural Resources Act.
4. The deadline for purchasing the bidding dossier shall be 17.00 on the 120th day following the publication of this Decision in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
5. The deadline for submitting applications to take part in the competitive bidding procedure shall be 17.00 on the 140th day following the publication of this Decision in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
6. The deadline for submitting bids in accordance with the bidding conditions shall be 17.00 on the 155th day following the publication of this Decision in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
7. The price of the bidding dossier shall be set at BGN 15 000. The bidding dossier is to be purchased from Room 902 at the Ministry of the Economy, Energy and Tourism at the following address: ul. Triaditsa 8, Sofia, Bulgaria, by the deadline specified in point 4.

8. Applicants wishing to take part in the competitive bidding procedure must comply with the requirements of Article 23(1) of the Underground Natural Resources Act.
9. Bids submitted in accordance with the bidding conditions shall be evaluated on the basis of the proposed work programmes, resources devoted to environmental protection and training, bonuses and managerial and financial capacities, as provided for in the bidding dossier.
10. The deposit for participation in the competitive bidding procedure shall be set at BGN 20 000, payable by the deadline specified in point 5 into the bank account of the Ministry of the Economy, Energy and Tourism indicated in the bidding dossier.
11. Applicants who are not admitted to the competitive bidding procedure shall have their deposits reimbursed within 14 days after being informed that they have not been admitted.
12. The successful bidder's deposit shall be reimbursed after the agreement has been signed, and the other bidders' deposits shall be reimbursed within 14 days of the publication in the State Gazette of the Council of Ministers' decision to grant authorisation for prospection and exploration.
13. Applications to take part in the competitive bidding procedure and bids under the competitive bidding procedure shall be submitted to the Ministry of the Economy, Energy and Tourism at: ul. Triaditsa 8, Sofia, Bulgaria, in Bulgarian, in accordance with the requirements of Article 46 of the Underground Natural Resources Act.
14. Bids shall comply with the requirements and conditions specified in the bidding dossier.
15. The competitive bidding procedure shall take place even if only one applicant is admitted to take part in it.
16. Mineral exploration activities in the field shall be carried out after an assessment by the relevant competent authority of the compatibility of the annual work plans for prospection and exploration.
17. The Minister for the Economy, Energy and Tourism is authorised to:
 - 17.1. send this Decision for publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*;
 - 17.2. organise and conduct the bidding procedure.
18. This Decision shall be published in the State Gazette and on the Council of Ministers website.
19. Appeals against this Decision may be lodged with the Supreme Administrative Court within 14 days of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Prime Minister
Boyko BORISOV

Secretary-General of the Council of Ministers
Rosen ZHELYAZKOV

ANNEX

BOUNDARY POINT COORDINATES

WGS 84 coordinate system

No	Longitude ($^{\circ}$ / $'$ / $''$)	Latitude ($^{\circ}$ / $'$ / $''$)
1	29° 25' 56.00"	43° 38' 08.40"
2	29° 30' 38.00"	43° 38' 34.00"
3	29° 49' 54.00"	43° 36' 05.00"
4	29° 49' 54.00"	43° 40' 49.40"
5	30° 24' 29.80"	43° 38' 09.80"
6	31° 08' 48.39"	43° 21' 00.33"
7	31° 06' 33.00"	43° 19' 54.00"
8	30° 45' 06.00"	42° 56' 43.00"
9	30° 36' 18.00"	42° 49' 31.00"
10	30° 34' 10.00"	42° 48' 03.00"
11	29° 07' 28.85"	42° 48' 47.00"
12	28° 30' 00.00"	42° 48' 44.50"
13	28° 30' 00.00"	43° 07' 00.00"
14	28° 45' 00.00"	43° 07' 00.00"
15	28° 45' 00.00"	43° 10' 00.00"
16	28° 50' 00.00"	43° 10' 00.00"
17	28° 50' 00.00"	43° 13' 00.00"
18	29° 06' 00.00"	43° 13' 00.00"
19	29° 06' 00.00"	43° 19' 00.00"
20	29° 10' 19.50"	43° 19' 00.00"
21	29° 10' 19.47"	43° 23' 58.00"
22	29° 25' 43.00"	43° 23' 58.90"

DECISION No 804**of 4 November 2011**

opening a procedure for granting authorisation for the prospection and exploration of oil and natural gas, being underground natural resources as defined in Article 2(1)(3) of the Underground Natural Resources Act, in 'Block 1-19 Sveti Atanas', located on the continental shelf and in the exclusive economic zone of the Republic of Bulgaria in the Black Sea, and announcing that authorisation will be granted on the basis of a competitive bidding procedure

(2012/C 26/05)

REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Pursuant to Articles 5(2), 7(2)(8), 42(1)(1) and 44(3) of the Underground Natural Resources Act, and Articles 4(1)(1) and 16 of the Regulation on the conduct of bidding and tendering procedures for granting authorisation for the prospection and/or exploration of, and awarding concessions for the production of, underground natural resources as defined by the Underground Natural Resources Act, adopted by Council of Ministers Resolution No 231 of 2010 (State Gazette No 82/2010),

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAS DECIDED THAT:

1. A procedure shall be opened for granting authorisation for the prospection and exploration of oil and natural gas in 'Block 1-19 Sveti Atanas', located on the continental shelf and in the exclusive economic zone of the Republic of Bulgaria in the Black Sea, having an area of 1 318 km² and defined by coordinates 1 to 8, as specified in the Annex.
2. The authorisation referred to in point 1 shall be granted on the basis of a competitive bidding procedure.
3. The authorisation period for prospection and exploration shall be set at five years from the date on which the prospection and exploration agreement enters into force, with a right to extend this period pursuant to Article 31(3) of the Underground Natural Resources Act.
4. The deadline for purchasing the bidding dossier shall be 17.00 on the 120th day following the publication of this Decision in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
5. The deadline for submitting applications to take part in the competitive bidding procedure shall be 17.00 on the 130th day following the publication of this Decision in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
6. The deadline for submitting bids in accordance with the bidding dossier shall be 17.00 on the 144th day following the publication of this Decision in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
7. Bidders shall not be present when the bids are considered.
8. The price of the bidding dossier shall be set at BGN 15 000. The bidding dossier is to be purchased from Rooms 902 and 903 at the Ministry of the Economy, Energy and Tourism at the following address: ul. Triaditsa 8, Sofia, Bulgaria, by the deadline specified in point 4.
9. Applicants wishing to take part in the competitive bidding procedure must comply with the requirements of Article 23(1) of the Underground Natural Resources Act.
10. Bids submitted in accordance with the bidding conditions shall be evaluated on the basis of the proposed work programmes, resources devoted to environmental protection and training, bonuses and managerial and financial capacities, as provided for in the bidding dossier.
11. The deposit for participation in the competitive bidding procedure shall be set at BGN 20 000, payable by the deadline specified in point 5 into the bank account of the Ministry of the Economy, Energy and Tourism indicated in the bidding dossier.
12. The successful bidder's deposit shall be reimbursed after the agreement has been signed, and the other bidders' deposits shall be reimbursed within 14 days of the publication in the State Gazette of the Council of Ministers' decision to grant authorisation for prospection and exploration.

13. Applications to take part in the competitive bidding procedure and bids under the competitive bidding procedure shall be submitted to the Registry of the Ministry of the Economy, Energy and Tourism at: ul. Triaditsa 8, Sofia, Bulgaria, in Bulgarian, in accordance with the requirements of Article 46 of the Underground Natural Resources Act.
14. Bids shall comply with the requirements and conditions specified in the bidding dossier.
15. The competitive bidding procedure shall take place even if only one applicant is admitted to take part in it.
16. The mineral exploration activities shall be carried out after completion of the procedures for assessing the compatibility of the overall work plan and of the annual work plans for prospection and exploration in accordance with Article 2(2) or Chapter 2 of the Regulation on the conditions and arrangements for assessing the compatibility of plans, programmes, projects and investment proposals with the object and aims of conserving protected areas (State Gazette No 73/2007).
17. The Minister for the Economy, Energy and Tourism is authorised to:
 - 17.1. send this Decision for publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*;
 - 17.2. organise and conduct the competitive bidding procedure.
18. This Decision shall be published in the State Gazette and on the Council of Ministers website.
19. Appeals against this Decision may be lodged with the Supreme Administrative Court within 14 days of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Prime Minister
Boyko BORISOV

Secretary-General of the Council of Ministers
Rosen ZHELYAZKOV

ANNEX

LIST OF THE BOUNDARY POINT COORDINATES OF BLOCK 1-19 SVETI ATANAS

WGS 84 coordinate system, zone 35N

No	Longitude (°)	Latitude (°)
1	27.9290	43.0000
2	28.2500	43.0000
3	28.2500	42.9150
4	28.5000	42.9150
5	28.5001	42.8122
6	28.4333	42.8119
7	28.4305	42.6909
8	27.9319	42.6961

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.6492 — SCOR/MAF/Essor JV)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2012/C 26/06)

1. On 20 January 2012, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which SCOR SE ('SCOR', France) and Mutuelle des Architectes Français Assurances ('MAF', France), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Essor Participações Ltda in Brazil ('Essor', Brazil) by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - SCOR: a reinsurance group with operations in about 130 countries and is organised into two reinsurance divisions (i) Life and (ii) Non-Life,
 - MAF: a group of companies active in primarily providing primarily direct insurance services and in particular professional insurance cover for building designers such as building architects, interior architects, construction economists, landscape designers and construction engineers,
 - Essor: newly created Brazilian non-operational limited liability company that will become a direct insurance corporation upon receipt of regulatory approval from the Brazilian Superintendence of Private Insurance.
3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the EC 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 EC Merger Regulation ⁽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. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (+32 22964301), by email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.6492 — SCOR/MAF/Essor JV, to the following address:

European Commission
Directorate-General for Competition
Merger Registry
J-70
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel
BELGIQUE/BELGIË

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

⁽²⁾ OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32 ('Notice on a simplified procedure').

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.6461 — TPV/Philips TV Business)
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2012/C 26/07)

1. On 20 January 2012, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertaking TPV Technology Limited, ('TPV', Bermuda) intends to acquire, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation, control of the Philips' worldwide Colour TV business ('Philips TV Business', the Netherlands) with the exception of a number of countries outside the EEA.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- TPV is a display solution provider, active in the design and production of a full range of PC monitors and televisions both on a third-party OEM basis for its distribution worldwide and under its own brands AOC,
- Philips TV Business operates in the manufacturing, branding, and distribution of Philips' branded Colour TV in the relevant territories falling within the transaction.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope the EC Merger Regulation. 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 22964301), by e-mail to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.6461 — TPV/Philips TV Business, to the following address:

European Commission
Directorate-General for Competition
Merger Registry
J-70
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel
BELGIQUE/BELGIË

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

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