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⁽¹⁾ Text with EEA relevance.

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case M.8137 — HNA Group/Servair)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2017/C 45/01)

On 8 December 2016, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the internal market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾. 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/homepage.html?locale=en>) under document number 32016M8137. EUR-Lex is the online access to European law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case M.8252 — TPG Capital/Intel Security)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2017/C 45/02)

On 26 January 2017, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the internal market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾. 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/homepage.html?locale=en>) under document number 32017M8252. EUR-Lex is the online access to European law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case M.8332 — KII/GGC/Infor)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2017/C 45/03)

On 6 February 2017, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the internal market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾. 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/homepage.html?locale=en>) under document number 32017M8332. EUR-Lex is the online access to European law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

IV

(Notices)

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates ⁽¹⁾

10 February 2017

(2017/C 45/04)

1 euro =

Currency	Exchange rate	Currency	Exchange rate
USD US dollar	1,0629	CAD Canadian dollar	1,3965
JPY Japanese yen	120,65	HKD Hong Kong dollar	8,2473
DKK Danish krone	7,4344	NZD New Zealand dollar	1,4798
GBP Pound sterling	0,85290	SGD Singapore dollar	1,5112
SEK Swedish krona	9,4873	KRW South Korean won	1 222,56
CHF Swiss franc	1,0669	ZAR South African rand	14,1866
ISK Iceland króna		CNY Chinese yuan renminbi	7,3120
NOK Norwegian krone	8,9065	HRK Croatian kuna	7,4595
BGN Bulgarian lev	1,9558	IDR Indonesian rupiah	14 134,44
CZK Czech koruna	27,021	MYR Malaysian ringgit	4,7241
HUF Hungarian forint	308,45	PHP Philippine peso	53,096
PLN Polish zloty	4,2953	RUB Russian rouble	62,2757
RON Romanian leu	4,5002	THB Thai baht	37,302
TRY Turkish lira	3,9173	BRL Brazilian real	3,3070
AUD Australian dollar	1,3905	MXN Mexican peso	21,5519
		INR Indian rupee	71,1435

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

Explanatory Notes to the Combined Nomenclature of the European Union

(2017/C 45/05)

Pursuant to the second indent of Article 9(1)(a) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 ⁽¹⁾, the Explanatory Notes to the Combined Nomenclature of the European Union ⁽²⁾ are hereby amended as follows:

On page 379, ‘9401 Seats (other than those of heading 9402), whether or not convertible into beds, and parts thereof’, the following text is inserted:

This heading includes sets of a table and chairs, where the table is designed for other purposes than dining while sitting on the seats (chairs, stools, deck-chairs, armchairs, couches etc.). Generally, these tables are too small for dining and they are inferior to the seats e.g. in size. Consequently, the seats give the set its essential character within the meaning of GIR 3(b). (See also the CN Explanatory Notes to heading 9403)

Examples of sets falling under heading 9401:



On page 379, ‘9403 Other furniture and parts thereof’, the following text is inserted after the existing text:

This heading includes sets of table and chairs where the table is designed for dining (‘dining tables’) while sitting on the seats (chairs, stools, deck-chairs, armchairs, couches etc.). These sets are classified within the meaning of GIR 3(c), because neither the table nor the seats can be considered more essential for the set within the meaning of GIR 3(b). (See also the HS Classification Opinion to subheading 9403 60 and the CN Explanatory Notes to heading 9401).

⁽¹⁾ Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ OJ C 76, 4.3.2015, p. 1.

Examples of sets falling under heading 9403:



**Commission notice on current State aid recovery interest rates and reference/discount rates for
28 Member States applicable as from 1 March 2017**

*(Published in accordance with Article 10 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 794/2004 of 21 April 2004
(OJ L 140, 30.4.2004, p. 1))*

(2017/C 45/06)

Base rates calculated in accordance with the communication from the Commission on the revision of the method for setting the reference and discount rates (OJ C 14, 19.1.2008, p. 6.). Depending on the use of the reference rate, the appropriate margins have still to be added as defined in this communication. For the discount rate this means that a margin of 100 basis points has to be added. The Commission Regulation (EC) No 271/2008 of 30 January 2008 amending Regulation (EC) No 794/2004 foresees that, unless otherwise provided for in a specific decision, the recovery rate will also be calculated by adding 100 basis points to the base rate.

Modified rates are indicated in bold.

Previous table published in OJ C 3, 6.1.2017, p. 4.

From	To	AT	BE	BG	CY	CZ	DE	DK	EE	EL	ES	FI	FR	HR	HU	IE	IT	LT	LU	LV	MT	NL	PL	PT	RO	SE	SI	SK	UK
1.3.2017	...	-0,08	-0,08	0,76	-0,08	0,45	-0,08	0,16	-0,08	-0,08	-0,08	-0,08	-0,08	1,05	0,53	-0,08	-0,08	-0,08	-0,08	-0,08	-0,08	-0,08	1,83	-0,08	1,10	-0,36	-0,08	-0,08	0,78
1.1.2017	28.2.2017	-0,07	-0,07	0,76	-0,07	0,45	-0,07	0,16	-0,07	-0,07	-0,07	-0,07	-0,07	1,05	0,75	-0,07	-0,07	-0,07	-0,07	-0,07	-0,07	-0,07	1,83	-0,07	1,10	-0,36	-0,07	-0,07	0,78

NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

Commission notice pursuant to Article 16(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules for the operation of air services in the Community**Repeal of public service obligations in respect of scheduled air services**

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2017/C 45/07)

Member State	France
Routes concerned	Castres-Lyon and Rodez-Lyon
Original date of entry into force of the public service obligations	3 December 1995
Date of repeal	The day after the publication of this notice
Address where the text and any relevant information and/or documentation relating to the public service obligations can be obtained	<p>Reference document: 95/C 322/05</p> <p>For further information please contact:</p> <p>Ministère de l'environnement, de l'énergie et de la mer, en charge des relations internationales sur le climat Direction générale de l'aviation civile Direction du Transport aérien Sous-direction des Transporteurs et services aériens Bureau des Transporteurs français et de l'intervention publique 50, rue Henry Farman 75 720 Paris cedex 15 FRANCE</p> <p>Tel. +33 1 58094321 Email: osp.compagnie@aviation-civile.gouv.fr Website: www.developpement-durable.gouv.fr</p>

V

(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION
POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case M.8290 — Fairfax/AIG Target Portfolio)****Candidate case for simplified procedure****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2017/C 45/08)

1. On 3 February 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4(5) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertaking Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited ('Fairfax', Canada) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of certain assets and renewal rights with respect to the portfolio of local business written by American International Group, Inc. ('AIG', United States) in Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia ('AIG Target Portfolio'). Besides, Fairfax will acquire AIG's local insurance operations in Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Turkey, Uruguay and Venezuela.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Fairfax: property and casualty insurance and reinsurance and investment management.
- AIG: property and casualty insurance, life insurance, retirement products, mortgage insurance and other financial services. AIG Target Portfolio is engaged in non-life insurance and reinsurance in Central and Eastern Europe.

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 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 this 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 M.8290 — Fairfax/AIG Target Portfolio, to the following address:

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

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

⁽²⁾ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case M.8343 — DONG Energy/Macquarie/Swancor/Formosa 1 Wind Power)****Candidate case for simplified procedure****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2017/C 45/09)

1. On 3 February 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which DONG Energy A/S ('DONG', Denmark), Macquarie Corporate Holdings Pty Limited ('Macquarie', Australia) and Swancor Holding Co., Ltd ('Swancor', Taiwan) acquire, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation, joint control over Formosa 1 International Investment Co., Ltd ('Formosa', Taiwan) by way of a purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - DONG is active in the markets for oil and natural gas exploration and production, development, construction and operation of offshore wind farms, electricity and heat generation from power plants, natural gas and electricity trading, the sale and distribution of electricity and the sale of natural gas,
 - Macquarie is active in investment intermediation for institutional, corporate and retail clients around the world in a wide range of sectors including resources and commodities, energy, financial institutions, infrastructure and real estate,
 - Swancor is a producer and distributor of specialty chemical materials, including anti-corrosion resins for use in tanks and pipelines in various industries, chimneys for power plants, yachts and swimming pools and epoxy system resins for wind turbine blades,
 - Formosa is an offshore wind farm project to be developed, constructed and operated near Miaoli, Taiwan.
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 this 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 M.8343 — DONG Energy/Macquarie/Swancor/Formosa 1 Wind Power, to the following address:

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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.

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case M.8134 — Siemens/Gamesa)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2017/C 45/10)

1. On 6 February 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertaking Siemens Aktiengesellschaft ('Siemens', Germany) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the undertaking Gamesa Corporación Tecnológica, SA ('Gamesa', Spain) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - Siemens: active in a number of industrial areas including the supply of onshore and offshore wind turbines through its Wind Power and Renewables division,
 - Gamesa: primarily active in the supply of products and advanced solutions in the renewable energy sector, particularly of onshore wind turbines but also active in the supply of offshore wind turbines through its subsidiary Adwen Offshore SL.
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.
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 M.8134 — Siemens/Gamesa to the following address:

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

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.8390 — PSPIB/TIAA/Vantage)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2017/C 45/11)

1. On 6 February 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertakings Public Sector Pension Investment Board ('PSPIB', Canada) and Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America ('TIAA', USA) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the undertaking Vantage Data Centers Holding Company ('Vantage', USA) by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for PSPIB: managing pension investment of the pension plans of the Canadian Federal Public Service, the Canadian Forces, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Reserve Force. It manages a diversified global portfolio including stocks, bonds and other fixed-income securities as well as investments in private equity, real estate, infrastructure, natural resources and private debt,
- for TIAA: providing investment products and services to those who work in the academic, research, medical and cultural fields in the USA. TIAA's products and services include, among others, retirement plans, banking, brokerage and trust services, life-insurance and real-estate asset management,
- for Vantage: owning and operating five fully leased data centres across two campuses in (i) Santa Clara, California; and (ii) Quincy, Washington, US, for a total capacity of approximately 56 MW.

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 this Notice.

4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation to the Commission.

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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.

