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II

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case M.10509 – MIRA / OTPP / PGGM / BCI / OMERS / AIMCO / PUGET)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2022/C 63/01)

On 31 January 2022, 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 policy’ 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 32022M10509. EUR-Lex is the online point of access to European Union law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

Non-opposition to a notified concentration
(Case M.10563 – ENGIE SPAIN / PREDICA / EOLIA)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2022/C 63/02)

On 25 January 2022, 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 policy’ 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 32022M10563. EUR-Lex is the online point of access to European Union law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

Non-opposition to a notified concentration
(Case M.10539 – SOUTH32 / KGHM / SIERRA GORDA)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2022/C 63/03)

On 31 January 2022, 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 policy’ 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 32022M10539. EUR-Lex is the online point of access to European Union law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

IV

(Notices)

NOTICES FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES AND AGENCIES

COUNCIL

Notice for the attention of certain persons subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2011/235/CFSP and in Council Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Iran

(2022/C 63/04)

The following information is brought to the attention of AHMADI-MOQADDAM Esmail (no. 1), MOGHISSEH Mohammad (a.k.a. NASSERIAN) (no. 20), MOHSENI-EJEI Gholam-Hossein (no. 21), MORTAZAVI Said (no. 22), SALAVATI Abdolghassem (no. 25), YASAGHI Ali-Akbar (no. 28), ESMALI Gholam-Hossein (no. 30), ABBASZADEH-MESHKINI Mahmoud (no. 33), AKHARIAN Hassan (no. 35), AVAEE Seyyed Ali-Reza (no. 36), KAMALIAN Behrouz (no. 46), KHALILOLLAHI Moussa (no. 47), TALA Hossein (no. 53), ZEBHI Hossein (no. 55), BAHRAMI Mohammad-Kazem (no. 56), HOSSEINI Dr Mohammad (no. 60), KAZEMI Toraj (no. 64), LARIJANI Sadeq (no. 65), MORTAZAVI Seyyed Solat (no. 69), RASHIDI AGHDAM Ali Ashraf (no. 79), KIASATI Morteza (no. 80), JAFARI Asadollah (no. 83), VASEGHI Leyla (a.k.a. VASEQI Layla, and VASEGHI Leila, VASEGHI Layla) (no. 95), persons appearing in the Annex to Council Decision 2011/235/CFSP ⁽¹⁾ and in Annex I to Council Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 ⁽²⁾ concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Iran.

The Council intends to maintain the restrictive measures against the above-mentioned persons with new statements of reasons. Those persons are hereby informed that they may submit a request to the Council to obtain the intended statements of reasons for their designation, before 15 February 2022, to the following address:

Council of the European Union
General Secretariat
RELEX.1 Global and Horizontal Affairs
Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 175
1048 Bruxelles/Brussel
BELGIQUE/BELGIË

Email: sanctions@consilium.europa.eu.

Any observations received before 26 February 2022 will be taken into account for the purpose of the Council's periodic review, in accordance with Article 3 of Decision 2011/235/CFSP and Article 12(4) of Regulation (EU) No 359/2011.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 100, 14.4.2011, p. 51.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 100, 14.4.2011, p. 1.

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates ⁽¹⁾

4 February 2022

(2022/C 63/05)

1 euro =

Currency	Exchange rate	Currency	Exchange rate		
USD	US dollar	1,1464	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,4583
JPY	Japanese yen	131,72	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	8,9286
DKK	Danish krone	7,4432	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,7287
GBP	Pound sterling	0,84593	SGD	Singapore dollar	1,5419
SEK	Swedish krona	10,4465	KRW	South Korean won	1 374,04
CHF	Swiss franc	1,0567	ZAR	South African rand	17,5875
ISK	Iceland króna	142,80	CNY	Chinese yuan renminbi	7,2923
NOK	Norwegian krone	10,0483	HRK	Croatian kuna	7,5275
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9558	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	16 493,16
CZK	Czech koruna	24,360	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	4,7914
HUF	Hungarian forint	352,92	PHP	Philippine peso	58,754
PLN	Polish zloty	4,5474	RUB	Russian rouble	87,3095
RON	Romanian leu	4,9466	THB	Thai baht	37,797
TRY	Turkish lira	15,5072	BRL	Brazilian real	6,0830
AUD	Australian dollar	1,6165	MXN	Mexican peso	23,5856
			INR	Indian rupee	85,6445

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

NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

Update of the list of residence permits referred to in Article 2(16) of Regulation (EU) 2016/399 of the European Parliament and of the Council of on a Union Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code) ⁽¹⁾

(2022/C 63/06)

The publication of the list of residence permits referred to in Article 2(16) of Regulation (EU) 2016/399 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on a Union Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code) ⁽²⁾ is based on information communicated by the Member States to the Commission in conformity with Article 39 of the Schengen Borders Code.

In addition to publication in the Official Journal, a regular update is available on the website of the Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs.

LIST OF RESIDENCE PERMITS ISSUED BY MEMBER STATES

LITHUANIA

Replacement of the list published in OJ C 126, 12.4.2021, p. 1.

1. Residence permits issued according to the uniform format:**Leidimas laikinai gyventi Lietuvos Respublikoje**

(Temporary residence permit in the Republic of Lithuania):

Dokumento pavadinimas 'LEIDIMAS GYVENTI'

Kortelėje po užrašu 'LEIDIMO RŪŠIS' išgraviruojamas įrašas 'LEIDIMAS LAIKINAI GYVENTI'

(Entry in the card under 'TYPE OF PERMIT': Temporary residence permit)

Įrašas 'LEIDIMAS LAIKINAI GYVENTI' išgraviruojamas lietuvių kalba.

(Entry 'Temporary residence permit' is engraved in Lithuanian language)

Dokumento išdavimo laikotarpis: nuo 2020-09-17

(Duration of the issuance of the document: from 2020-09-17)

Lietuvos Respublikos ilgalaikio gyventojų leidimas gyventi Europos Sąjungoje

(Permit of a long-term resident of the Republic of Lithuania to reside in the European Union):

Dokumento pavadinimas 'LEIDIMAS GYVENTI'

Kortelėje po užrašu 'LEIDIMO RŪŠIS' išgraviruojamas įrašas

'LEIDIMAS NUOLAT GYVENTI'

(Entry in the card under 'TYPE OF PERMIT': Permanent residence permit)

Įrašas 'LEIDIMAS NUOLAT GYVENTI' išgraviruojamas lietuvių kalba.

⁽¹⁾ See the list of previous publications at the end of this update.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 77, 23.3.2016, p. 1.

(Entry 'Permanent residence permit' is engraved in Lithuanian language.)

Dokumento išdavimo laikotarpis: nuo 2020-09-17

(Duration of the issuance of the document: from 2020-09-17)

— **Sąjungos piliečio šeimos nario leidimo gyventi šalyje kortelė**, išduodama nuo 2020-09-17.

(Residence card of a family member of a union citizen, issued from 2020-09-17).

Kortelėje po užrašu 'PASTABOS' išgraviruojamas įrašas

'TEISĖ GYVENTI LAIKINAI' arba 'TEISĖ GYVENTI NUOLAT'.

(Entry in the card under 'REMARKS': 'Right to reside temporarily' or 'Right to reside permanently')

Įrašai 'Teisė gyventi laikinai' ir 'Teisė gyventi nuolat' išgraviruojami lietuvių kalba.

(Entries 'TEISĖ GYVENTI LAIKINAI' and 'TEISĖ GYVENTI NUOLAT' are engraved in Lithuanian language.)

— **Leidimas laikinai gyventi Lietuvos Respublikoje**

Leidimo tipas 'LEIDIMAS GYVENTI'

(Temporary residence permit in the Republic of Lithuania):

Kortelėje po užrašu 'Leidimo rūšis' išgraviruojamas įrašas

'LEIDIMAS LAIKINAI GYVENTI'

(Entry in the card under 'Type of permit': Temporary residence permit)

Įrašas 'LEIDIMAS LAIKINAI GYVENTI' išgraviruojamas lietuvių kalba.

(Entry 'Temporary residence permit' is engraved in Lithuanian language.)

— **Lietuvos Respublikos ilgalaikio gyventojų leidimas gyventi Europos Bendrijoje**

(Permit of a long-term resident of the Republic of Lithuania to reside in the European Community):

Kortelėje po užrašu 'Leidimo rūšis' išgraviruojamas įrašas

'LEIDIMAS NUOLAT GYVENTI'

(Entry in the card under 'Type of permit': Permanent residence permit)

Įrašas 'LEIDIMAS NUOLAT GYVENTI' išgraviruojamas lietuvių kalba.

(Entry 'Permanent residence permit' is engraved in Lithuanian language.)

Dokumento išdavimo laikotarpis: 2006-12-16–2012-05-19.

(Duration of the issuance of the document: 2006-12-16 – 2012-05-19)

— **Lietuvos Respublikos ilgalaikio gyventojų leidimas gyventi Europos Sąjungoje**
(išduodamas nuo 2012-05-20)

(Permit of a long-term resident of the Republic of Lithuania to reside in the European Union, issued from 2012-05-20)

Kortelėje po užrašu 'Leidimo rūšis' išgraviruojamas įrašas

'LEIDIMAS NUOLAT GYVENTI'

(Entry in the card under 'Type of permit': Permanent residence card)

Įrašas 'LEIDIMAS NUOLAT GYVENTI' išgraviruojamas lietuvių kalba.

(Entry 'Permanent residence permit' is engraved in Lithuanian language.)

— **Sąjungos piliečio šeimos nario leidimo gyventi šalyje kortelė**, išduodama nuo 2012-01-05.

(Residence card of a family member of a union citizen, issued from 2012-01-05).

Kortelėje po užrašu 'Pastabos' išgraviruojamas įrašas

'TEISĖ GYVENTI LAIKINAI' arba 'TEISĖ GYVENTI NUOLAT'.

(Entry in the card under 'REMARKS': 'Right to reside temporarily' or 'Right to reside permanently')

Įrašai 'TEISĖ GYVENTI LAIKINAI' ir 'TEISĖ GYVENTI NUOLAT' išgraviruojami lietuvių kalba.

(Entries 'Right to reside temporarily' and 'Right to reside permanently' are engraved in Lithuanian language.)

— **Europos Sąjungos valstybės narės piliečio šeimos nario leidimas gyventi Lietuvos Respublikoje**, buvo išduodamas iki 2012-01-04.

(Residence permit in the Republic of Lithuania of a family member of the citizen of an EU Member State, issued until 2012-01-04):

Kortelėje prie užrašo 'Leidimo rūšis' įrašoma

(Entry in the card under 'Type of permit'):

— 'Leidimas gyventi' (galioja 5 m.) arba

(Residence permit, valid for 5 years, or)

— 'Leidimas gyventi nuolat' (galioja 10 m.)

(Permanent residence permit, valid for 10 years).

Įrašai 'Leidimas gyventi' ir 'Leidimas gyventi nuolat' išgraviruojami lietuvių kalba.

(Entries 'Residence permit' and 'Permanent residence permit' are engraved in Lithuanian language.)

— **Europos Bendrijų valstybės narės piliečio leidimas gyventi**

(Residence permits issued to third country nationals who are members of the family of an EU citizen):

Buvo išduodamas nuo 2004-11-15 iki 2007-10-31 (su įrašu 'Leidimas gyventi nuolat').

(Was issued from 2004-11-15 until 2007-10-31).

Buvo išduodamas nuo 2004-11-15 iki 2006-12-16 (su įrašu 'Leidimas gyventi')

(Was issued from 2004-11-15 until 2006-12-16).

Kortelėje prie užrašo 'leidimo rūšis' įrašoma

(Entry in the card under 'Type of permit'):

— 'Leidimas gyventi' (galioja 5 m.) arba

(Residence permit, valid for 5 years, or)

— 'Leidimas gyventi nuolat' (galioja 10 m.)

(Permanent residence permit, valid for 10 years).

Įrašai 'Leidimas gyventi' ir 'Leidimas gyventi nuolat' išgraviruojami lietuvių kalba.

(Entries 'Residence permit' and 'Permanent residence permit' is engraved in Lithuanian language.)

2. **All other documents issued to third-country nationals having equivalent value to a residence permit**

- Asmens grįžimo pažymėjimas: asmenims be pilietybės, turintiems leidimą gyventi Lietuvos Respublikoje, ar trečiųjų šalių piliečiams, jeigu tai numatyta pagal Lietuvos Respublikos tarptautines sutartis ar Europos Sąjungos teisės aktus, išduodamas dokumentas, leidžiantis sugrįžti į Lietuvos Respubliką.

(Repatriation certificate: a document issued to stateless persons, who have a residence permit in the Republic of Lithuania, or third country nationals, if it is provided by the international agreements of the Republic of Lithuania or European Union legal acts, authorizing to return to the Republic of Lithuania).

- 'A' kategorijos akreditacijos pažymėjimas

(Accreditation certificate, 'A' category):

Išduodamas diplomatiniais agentams, konsuliniais pareigūnams ir tarptautinių organizacijų atstovybių nariams, kurie pagal tarptautinę teisę naudojami diplomatinėmis privilegijomis ir imunitetais

(Issued to diplomatic agents, consular officers and members of representative offices of international organisations, who enjoy diplomatic immunities and privileges under the international law)

— 'B' kategorijos akreditacijos pažymėjimas

(Accreditation certificate, 'B' category):

Išduodamas administracinio techninio personalo nariams ir konsuliniam darbuotojams.

(Issued to members of administrative and technical staff and consular employees)

Tokios pačios formos kaip 'A' kategorijos pažymėjimas, tik šoninė juosta yra ne raudonos, o žalios spalvos

(It has the same format as the 'A' category certificate, just the side strip is green instead of red);

— 'C' kategorijos akreditacijos pažymėjimas

(Accreditation certificate, 'C' category):

Išduodamas diplomatinių atstovybių aptarnaujančiojo personalo nariams ir privatiems diplomatų namų darbininkams.

(Issued to the servicing personnel of diplomatic missions and private servants in diplomatic households)

Tokios pačios formos kaip 'A' kategorijos pažymėjimas, tik šoninė juosta yra ne raudonos, o geltonos spalvos.

(It has the same format as the 'A' category certificate, just the side strip is yellow instead of red);

— 'D' kategorijos akreditacijos pažymėjimas

(Accreditation certificate, 'D' category):

Išduodamas užsienio valstybių garbės konsulams.

(Issued to the foreign honorary consuls)

— 'E' kategorijos akreditacijos pažymėjimas

(Accreditation certificate, 'E' category):

Išduodamas tarptautinių organizacijų atstovybių nariams, kurie pagal tarptautinę teisę naudojami ribotais imunitetais ir privilegijomis.

(Issued to members of representative offices of international organisations, who enjoy limited privileges and immunities under the international law).

Tokios pačios formos kaip 'A' kategorijos pažymėjimas, tik šoninė juosta yra ne raudonos, o pilkos spalvos.

(It has the same format as the 'A' category certificate, just the side strip is grey instead of red).

— 'Statuso pažymėjimas', išduodamas nuo 2022-01-01

('Status certificate' issued from 2022-01-01)

Išduodamas ginkluotųjų pajėgų kariniam personalui, ginkluotose pajėgose dirbantiems civiliams darbuotojams, rangovams (fiziniams asmenims) ir karinio personalo, ginkluotose pajėgose dirbančių civilių darbuotojų, rangovų išlaikytiniams (šeimoms nariams).

(Issued to the military personnel of the armed forces, civilian personnel employed in the armed forces, contractors (natural persons) and to the dependents (family members) of members of military personnel, of civilian personnel employed in the armed forces, and of contractors.)

List of previous publications

- OJ C 247, 13.10.2006, p. 1.
OJ C 77, 5.4.2007, p. 11.
OJ C 153, 6.7.2007, p. 1.
OJ C 164, 18.7.2007, p. 45.
OJ C 192, 18.8.2007, p. 11.
OJ C 271, 14.11.2007, p. 14.
OJ C 57, 1.3.2008, p. 31.
OJ C 134, 31.5.2008, p. 14.
OJ C 207, 14.8.2008, p. 12.
OJ C 331, 31.12.2008, p. 13.
OJ C 3, 8.1.2009, p. 5.
OJ C 64, 19.3.2009, p. 15.
OJ C 198, 22.8.2009, p. 9.
OJ C 239, 6.10.2009, p. 2.
OJ C 298, 8.12.2009, p.15.
OJ C 308, 18.12.2009, p. 20.
OJ C 35, 12.2.2010, p. 5.
OJ C 82, 30.3.2010, p. 26.
OJ C 103, 22.4.2010, p. 8.
OJ C 108, 7.4.2011, p. 7.
OJ C 157, 27.5.2011, p. 5.
OJ C 201, 8.7.2011, p. 1.
OJ C 216, 22.7.2011, p. 26.
OJ C 283, 27.9.2011, p. 7.
OJ C 199, 7.7.2012, p. 5.
OJ C 214, 20.7.2012, p. 7.
OJ C 298, 4.10.2012, p. 4.
OJ C 51, 22.2.2013, p. 6.
OJ C 75, 14.3.2013, p. 8.
OJ C 77, 15.3.2014, p. 4.
OJ C 118, 17.4.2014, p. 9.
OJ C 200, 28.6.2014, p. 59.
OJ C 304, 9.9.2014, p. 3.
OJ C 390, 5.11.2014, p. 12.
OJ C 210, 26.6.2015, p. 5.
OJ C 286, 29.8.2015, p. 3.
OJ C 151, 28.4.2016, p. 4.
OJ C 16, 18.1.2017, p. 5.
OJ C 69, 4.3.2017, p. 6.
OJ C 94, 25.3.2017, p. 3.
OJ C 297, 8.9.2017, p. 3.
OJ C 343, 13.10.2017, p. 12.
OJ C 100, 16.3.2018, p. 25.
OJ C 144, 25.4.2018, p. 8.
OJ C 173, 22.5.2018, p. 6.
OJ C 222, 26.6.2018, p. 12.
OJ C 248, 16.7.2018, p. 4.
OJ C 269, 31.7.2018, p. 27.
OJ C 345, 27.9.2018, p. 5.
OJ C 27, 22.01.2019, p. 8.
OJ C 31, 25.1. 2019, p. 5
OJ C 34, 28.1.2019, p. 4.
OJ C 46, 5.2.2019, p. 5.
OJ C 330, 6.10.2020, p. 5.
OJ C 126, 12.4.2021, p. 1.
OJ C 140, 21.4.2021, p. 2.
OJ C 150, 28.4.2021, p. 5.
OJ C 365, 10.9.2021, p. 3.
OJ C 491, 7.12.2021, p. 5.
OJ C 509, 17.12.2021, p. 10.
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(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMON
COMMERCIAL POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Notice of the impending expiry of certain anti-dumping measures

(2022/C 63/07)

1. As provided for in Article 11(2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union ⁽¹⁾, the Commission gives notice that, unless a review is initiated in accordance with the following procedure, the anti-dumping measures mentioned below will expire on the date mentioned in the table below.

2. Procedure

Union producers may submit a written request for a review. This request must contain sufficient evidence that the expiry of the measures would be likely to result in a continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury. Should the Commission decide to review the measures concerned, importers, exporters, representatives of the exporting country and Union producers will then be provided with the opportunity to amplify, rebut or comment on the matters set out in the review request.

3. Time limit

Union producers may submit a written request for a review on the above basis, to reach the European Commission, Directorate-General for Trade (Unit G-1), CHAR 4/39, 1049 Brussels, Belgium ⁽²⁾ at any time from the date of the publication of the present notice but no later than three months before the date mentioned in the table below.

4. This notice is published in accordance with Article 11(2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1036.

Product	Country(ies) of origin or exportation	Measures	Reference	Date of expiry ⁽¹⁾
Certain open mesh fabrics of glass fibres	The People's Republic of China India Indonesia Malaysia	Anti-dumping duty	Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1993 of 6 November 2017 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain open mesh fabrics of glass fibres originating in the People's Republic of China as extended to imports of certain open mesh fabrics of glass fibres consigned from India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Taiwan and Thailand, whether declared as originating in these countries	8.11.2022

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 176, 30.6.2016, p. 21.

⁽²⁾ TRADE-Defence-Complaints@ec.europa.eu

	Taiwan Thailand		or not, following an expiry review pursuant to Article 11(2) of the Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 288, 7.11.2017, p. 4)	
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(¹) The measure expires at midnight (00:00) of the day mentioned in this column.

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION
POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.10622 – Genstar Capital / MDP / Lightspeed)
Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2022/C 63/08)

1. On 28 January 2022, 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:

- Genstar Capital Partners LLC ('Genstar Capital', US),
- Madison Dearborn Partners, LLC ('MDP', US),
- LS Topco Holdings, LLC ('Lightspeed', US), controlled by MDP.

Genstar Capital and MDP will acquire within the meaning of Articles 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Lightspeed. The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Genstar Capital: private equity firm specialising in investments in middle market companies in financial services, healthcare, industrial technology and software.
- MDP: private equity investment firm specializing in investments in middle and upper-market companies active across a broad spectrum of industries.
- Lightspeed: software company engaged in the provision of software as a service for classroom management, mobile device management, analytics and wellbeing alerts used by education providers.

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 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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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Publication of an application for registration of a name pursuant to Article 50(2)(a) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs

(2022/C 63/09)

This publication confers the right to oppose the application pursuant to Article 51 of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾ within three months from the date of this publication.

SINGLE DOCUMENT

‘Maranho da Sertã’**EU No: PGI-PT-02606 – 11 May 2020****PDO () PGI (X)****1. Name(s)**

‘Maranho da Sertã’

2. Member State or Third Country

Portugal

3. Description of the agricultural product or foodstuff**3.1. Type of product**

Class 1.2. Meat products (cooked, salted, smoked, etc.)

3.2. Description of the product to which the name in (1) applies

‘Maranho da Sertã’ is a sausage made using a goat or sheep stomach (known as the ‘*bandouga*’) for the casing, stuffed with a mixture of ingredients that are produced, prepared and filled in accordance with the product specification.

‘Maranho da Sertã’ must comply with the following limits on ingredients (% weight):

- Goat and/or sheep meat: main ingredient, 30 to 40 %, inclusive;
- ‘*Carolino*’ rice: 15 to 25 %, inclusive;
- Mint: 2 to 6 %, inclusive;
- Streaky pork fat: 7 to 25 %, inclusive;
- Ham: 2 to 12 %, inclusive;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 343, 14.12.2012, p. 1.

The following are also included as mandatory ingredients: olive oil (virgin or extra virgin), white wine, water and salt. However, goat/ sheep meat must always be the ingredient that accounts for the highest percentage.

The following ingredients may also be added on an optional basis: 'chouriço' sausage, lemon juice, pepper or piri-piri seasoning and garlic.

'Maranho da Sertã' is stomach-shaped (curving inwards or in the shape of a 'C'). Its outer appearance is rough and the honeycomb texture of the stomach is visible. The casing holds the content together without sticking entirely to it. The sausage is unbroken and the hand stitching is visible to the naked eye. As for the inside, its appearance is irregular when sliced, with the colours of the meats and mint being visible in between the clumps of rice.

'Maranho da Sertã' tastes of goat and/or sheep meat with mint, and to a lesser extent, of ham and 'chouriço' sausage. The aromas of mint and goat and/sheep meat predominate.

When cooked, the weight of a full 'Maranho da Sertã' sausage can vary between 200 g and 1 200 g inclusive. It can be placed on the market whole (raw, cooked or pre-cooked) or sliced (cooked or pre-cooked).

The sodium content (g/100g) can vary between 0,7 and 2,9. The energy value (kcal/kJ) per 100 g can vary between 145/607 and 255/1 068.

'Maranho da Sertã' differs from other 'maranhos' because wild thyme (*Thymus serpyllum*) is not one of its ingredients, synthetic casing is not used and it is sewn together by hand with a needle and thread.

3.3. Feed (for products of animal origin only) and raw materials (for processed products only)

The mandatory ingredients for making 'Maranho da Sertã' are as follows: Goat or sheep stomach ('bandouga'), goat and/or sheep meat, mint, 'Carolino' rice, ham, streaky pork fat, olive oil (virgin or extra virgin), white wine, salt and water. The following ingredients may be included on an optional basis: 'chouriço' sausage, lemon juice, pepper or piri-piri seasoning and garlic.

3.4. Specific steps in production that must take place in the defined geographical area

The activities involved in producing and preparing 'Maranho da Sertã' must be carried out inside the geographical area.

3.5. Specific rules concerning slicing, grating, packaging, etc. of the product to which the registered name refers

When not intended for direct consumption at the place of production, 'Maranho da Sertã' must be packaged either whole (raw, cooked or pre-cooked) or sliced (cooked or pre-cooked) and be kept refrigerated until it is placed on the market.

When the product is sliced, it must be carried out in such a way as to guarantee that the slices do not break apart after they are packaged. The product may not be repackaged.

Given its fragile consistency, the crumbly nature of its filling and its perishability, 'Maranho da Sertã' can easily be damaged if not handled properly. With a view to guaranteeing that the end product's characteristics are preserved and avoiding microbiological contamination, 'Maranho da Sertã' must be packaged immediately at the production facilities.

3.6. Specific rules concerning labelling of the product to which the registered name refers

The label on 'Maranho da Sertã' must:

- a) Feature one of the following wordings: 'Maranho da Sertã – Indicação Geográfica Protegida' ou 'Maranho da Sertã – IGP';
- b) identify the control body.

4. Concise definition of the geographical area

'Maranho da Sertã' is produced exclusively in the municipality of Sertã.

5. Link with the geographical area

The link between 'Maranho da Sertã' and the geographical area derives from its reputation.

'Maranho da Sertã' enjoys an excellent reputation as one of the most highly acclaimed products in the gastronomy of the region. This reputation, which has grown over the years, is based on the local expertise in bringing out the best of the region's typical ingredients to create a characteristic product that is greatly appreciated.

The characteristics that make 'Maranho da Sertã' unique are as follows:

- synthetic casing is not used;
- the casing is stitched by hand, which helps to define the final shape of the product (stomach-shaped) and prevent the product from bursting when cooked;
- the use of mint rather than wild thyme as an ingredient.

This product is of considerable importance to the local economy. In 2014 there were at least '17 companies producing "maranho" in the municipality', with sales of 'maranho' amounting to 'over 57 000 kg' in that year (O MIRANTE, 'Maranho Festival showcases the best of Sertã', 14 July 2016). According to this source, these companies 'provide over one hundred jobs', which is extremely significant for a municipality with fewer than 15 000 residents (figures from the Portuguese National Statistics Institute, 2017). The economic importance of the production of 'MARANHO DA SERTÃ' was noted by the newspaper PÚBLICO, which in 2008 made the point that 'keeping up traditions and quality can be profitable', as demonstrated by 'a businessperson from Sertã with two hotels, [who] sold four tonnes of "maranhos" between January and July' ('Cuisine' section: association 'preserves' ten traditional dishes at risk of disappearing', 22 December 2008).

'Maranho da Sertã' is mentioned and praised in countless newspapers, books and other publications, where it is highlighted as one of the main hallmarks of the region's gastronomy and a reason for visiting the region. These sources explain that the 'Maranho da Sertã', 'a little pouch stuffed with lamb or goat meat, rice, ham, "chouriço" sausage, pepper and white wine and heavily seasoned with mint', is 'one of the best-known dishes of Sertã' ('Rota da Estrada Nacional 2', DESCLA, 2017). It has even been elevated to the status of 'mainstay of Sertã cuisine' (MEDIOTEJO.NET, 'The gastronomic wealth of the municipality of Sertã', 13 July 2018). Thus it follows that 'no trip [to Sertã] would be complete without trying the traditional "bucha" (stomach stuffed with meat and rice) and "maranhos" made according to the traditional recipes' (CARAS, 'Sertã: schist rock and forest', 8 May 2016) and that visitors would be urged to 'try the "maranhos" consisting of a goat or kid stomach casing stuffed with a variety of meats, rice and herbs.' (DESTAK, 'Exploring the mountain trails of Sertã', 7 August 2013). In his book published in Brazil, ('Como fazer turismo de qualidade a baixo custo - Portugal' (Quality tourism on a shoestring - Portugal); Trampolim; Brasília, 2nd edition, 2017), Stelson S. Ponce de Azevedo claims that 'in my opinion, the main draw of Sertã are its wines and its gastronomy: stuffed pig stomachs and 'maranhos'.

As well as being widely available in the region's restaurants (see PÚBLICO, "'Maranho" and stuffed stomach on offer in Sertã in February', 26 January 2017, for example), 'Maranho da Sertã' is also featured on the menus of restaurants all over Portugal, particularly in Lisbon and Porto, where it is appreciated by locals and tourists alike (see VISÃO, 'People from far and wide are saying Portugal is fashionable... and we have the tourists to confirm it', 29 May 2014; EXPRESSO, 'Eating out with José Quitério', 10 February 2011; as well as other publications). 'Maranho da Sertã' is also sold in various supermarkets and specialised shops, where it is often sold as a gourmet product (see <http://www.apetece.elcorteingles.pt/o-mais-fresco/orgulho-da-beira/>, website visited on 12 December 2018; as well as elsewhere).

The fact that 'Maranho da Sertã' emerged as a distinctive product with its own particular characteristics, different from most traditional Portuguese sausage and stuffed meat products, is definitely linked to the sheep and goat livestock farming typical in the region where the municipality of Sertã is located, where headcounts of over 100 000 goats and sheep have been recorded (Salavessa, João; 'Traditional sausage-making in the Pinhal area - Features and improvements in the technology used to make 'maranhos'; Technical University of Lisbon; Lisbon; 2009).

The reputation of 'Maranho da Sertã' led to the launch of the 'Maranho Gastronomical Festival', an event that has been held on an annual basis in the municipality of Sertã since 2011, allowing the many thousands of visitors and enthusiasts of this product to take part in 'maranho' tastings and watch cookery demonstrations by prestigious Portuguese chefs such as Filipa Gomes or Justa Nobre (see EXPRESSO, 'Gastronomical festival: "maranho" on the menu in Sertã', 8 July 2014; PORT.COM, 'Maranho gastronomical festival in Sertã', 14 July 2017; RECONQUISTA, 'Sertã: Maranho festival to continue until Sunday', 12 July 2018; as well as other publications).

'Maranho da Sertã' came to the fore in the 20th century as a product primarily consumed in celebrations. One record that reveals the importance of this product for the region was the famous luncheon offered to Afonso Costa (minister and prime minister in the First Portuguese Republic), on 13 April 1913 in Cernache do Bonjardim (a locality in the municipality of Sertã), where the traditional 'maranho' was the main dish served.

Jaime Lopes Dias mentions the 'Maranho da Sertã' several times in his work *Etnografia da Beira* (The Ethnography of the Beira Region), a collection consisting of eleven volumes published between 1926 and 1971 describing the Beira Baixa region and its customs). Here are some examples:

- In volume VI, published in 1942, the author states that 'the days (...) the flax is hackled are days of celebration for the families in the municipality of Sertã. a big meat dinner [is eaten] and "maranhos" are guaranteed to feature';
- In volume VII, published in 1948, the author writes that 'in Arnoia, Castelo [Sertã] (...) the "maranhos" are a staple at every wedding feast (goat or kid gizzards, ham, "paio" sausage, pepper, mint, etc. stuffed into small pouches made from goat or kid intestines)';
- In volume X, published in 1970, the author states that 'on feast days or busy work days (...) a big meal would be guaranteed, featuring meat and specialities like the "maranhos", which are very suitable for preparing everyday meals or snacks for those that work outside the home'. In this same volume, the author describes the 'maranhos' as 'a snack made with rice, pork fat, ham, pork tenderloin, "chouriço" sausage, kid meat, mint, salt, pepper, garlic (...)';
- It is evident that the composition of the 'Maranho da Sertã' presented by this author is not very different to what is currently used by producers;
- There are multiple references proving that 'Maranho da Sertã' has been made and consumed and that it has enjoyed an excellent reputation on a continuous basis throughout the 20th century to the present day. Here are some examples:
- In the 'Portuguese Cuisine and Desserts' competition organised in 1962 by the national broadcaster RTP and the State Secretariat for Information and Tourism, Noémia Neves won second prize with a recipe based on this traditional product. The recipe went on to be published in a book released after the competition;
- Maria Odette Cortes Valente, in *Cozinha Regional Portuguesa* (Regional Portuguese Cuisine) (1973) and Maria de Lourdes Modesto, in *Cozinha Tradicional Portuguesa* (Traditional Portuguese Cuisine) (1982) both spoke highly of this product;
- In 1984, the municipality of Sertã took part in the 'National Gastronomy Festival of Santarém' for the first time. 'Maranho da Sertã' featured heavily on the menu submitted (see A COMARCA DA SERTÃ, '4th National Gastronomy Festival of Santarém', 21 September 1984). Also in 1985, at the *Feira das Regiões* (Fair of the Regions), Sertã put 'Maranho da Sertã' on the menu (see A COMARCA DA SERTÃ, 'The Fair of the Regions, at the Lisbon International Fair (FIL)', 31 May 1985). This was followed by countless other participations in other festivals and events;
- In an article published in 1986, the newspaper A COMARCA DA SERTÃ identified the 'maranho' as one of the gastronomical successes of the municipality ('Products 'Made in Sertã', 11 April 1986);

- ‘Maranho da Sertã’ was mentioned in various travel publications published in the 1980s, such as the ‘*Roteiro Gastronómico da Região dos Templários*’ (A Gastronomical Journey through the Region of the Knights Templar) (1987) and ‘*Beira Baixa - Encontro por mundos julgados perdidos*’ (Beira Baixa - Discovering lost worlds) (1988);
- In the 1990s, ‘Maranho da Sertã’ was mentioned in two editions of the magazine *TELECULINÁRIA* (issues 883 and 884 from January 1996) and in the travel publication ‘*Aromas e sabores de tradição da região dos Templários*’ (Traditional aromas and tastes from the Region of the Knights Templar) (1999), including a description of how it is made;
- In the 21st century, ‘Maranho da Sertã’ is mentioned in publications such as ‘*Produtos Tradicionais Portugueses*’ (Traditional Portuguese Products) (DGDR, 2001), ‘*Guia de Compras - Produtos Tradicionais*’ (Shopping Guide - Traditional Products) (2011) and ‘*Guia dos Bons Produtos Tradicionais*’ (Guide to Good Traditional Products) (2014 and 2015), where it is described as an emblematic traditional product in the Beiras.
- In 2013, ‘Maranho da Sertã’ was represented in the special stamp collection ‘Tastes of Air and Fire’ issued by the Portuguese postal service CTT as a tribute to the gastronomic traditions of the regions Alentejo, Algarve, Beiras and the Azores. A stamp commemorating the ‘MARANHO DA SERTÃ’ was included in another collection issued in 2014.
- In the novel ‘*Amor e Guerra: de Coimbra a Nambuangongo*’ (Love and War: from Coimbra to Nambuangongo) (Chiado Editora, 2017) by José Ferreira Abrantes, which is set in the 1960s and 1970s, a visit by the leading couple to Sertã is described as follows: “the first houses of Sertã came into view. (...) There was a sign for a restaurant further along the river. (...) A waitress brought the menu (...), explaining, (...) ‘The “*bucho*” and “*maranho*” are our traditional dishes, which we can serve as starters’. This clearly illustrates the importance of the ‘*maranhos*’ in the cuisine of Sertã for several decades.
- In an excerpt from the novel ‘*Cadáveres às Costas*’ (Shouldering the corpses) (D. Quixote, 2018) by Miguel Real, a female character is urged to ‘(...) go out, not stay at home, (...) travel, stop at a roadside restaurant if you get tired, try “*açorda*” (bread soup) from the Alentejo, “*leitão*” (roast suckling pig) from Bairrada, “*cataplana*” (seafood stew) from Coimbra, “*maranhos da Sertã*”, “*barrigas de freiras*” (dessert made from almonds, eggs, water and sugar) from Vila do Conde, “*palha de Abrantes*” (sweet egg yolk threads), “*pão-de-ló*” (sponge cake) from Ovar (...)’. This shows that ‘Maranho da Sertã’ was included in a list of famous traditional delicacies that would be instantly recognisable to the reader.

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