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## Prior notification of a concentration (Case M.11283 – LONE STAR FUNDS / ERIKS) Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 1 March 2024, 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:

- LSF12 EXMOOR NL BIDCO B.V. (Netherlands), an indirect subsidiary of Lone Star Fund XII, L.P.A., one of the funds of Lone Star Global Acquisitions, Ltd. ('Lone Star Funds', USA),
- ERIKS N.V. (Netherlands), controlled by SHV Holdings N.V.

Lone Star Funds will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of ERIKS N.V.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:
- Lone Star Global Acquisitions, Ltd., a private equity firm advising funds that invest globally in real estate, equity, credit, and other financial assets. Lone Star has organised 23 private equity funds (the Lone Star Funds),
- ERIKS N.V., an industrial parts distributor and manufacturer, also providing related logistics services.
- 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. Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified treatment for certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings (²) it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the Notice.
- 5. 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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Observations can be sent to the Commission by email or by post. Please use the contact details below:

Email: COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 160, 5.5.2023, p. 1.

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