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Prior notification of a concentration (Case M.11569 – DELI HOME / HWI / HOUTWERF / DISTRI-HOUT)

(Text with EEA relevance)

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On 26 November 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:

- Deli Home Holding B.V. ('Deli Home', the Netherlands), ultimately controlled by Ardian France SA ('Ardian', France),
- Houtwerf International B.V. ('HWI', the Netherlands),
- Houtwerf B.V. ('Houtwerf', the Netherlands), currently solely controlled by HWI,
- Distri-hout N.V. ('Distri-hout', Belgium), currently solely controlled by HWI.

Deli Home and HWI will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Houtwerf and Distri-hout.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

- The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:
- Deli Home is a producer and wholesaler of timber-based home improvement products, such as doors, floors, stairs, storage furniture, timber-based products and insect screens. Deli Home is ultimately controlled by Ardian, which also controls Maxeda that is active in DIY retail.
- HWI is active in the wholesale of mainly timber-based products and DIY retail.
- The business activities of the other undertakings are the following: 3.
- Houtwerf and Distri-hout are wholesalers of mainly timber-based products as well as garden materials, façade cladding, insulation, doors and decorative products in the Netherlands and Belgium.
- 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.
- 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').

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