

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.8588 — Continental Automotive/Alstom/EasyMile)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2017/C 370/05)

1. On 20 October 2017, 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:

- Continental Automotive Holding Netherlands BV ('Continental', The Netherlands), a subsidiary of Continental AG, Germany,
- Alstom Holdings ('Alstom', France),
- EasyMile ('EasyMile', France).

Continental and Alstom acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of EasyMile.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Continental: international technology company manufacturing and supplying various components and spare parts, notably for the automotive industry,
- for Alstom: provision of equipment and services for rail transport, including rolling stock, transport infrastructure, and signalling and maintenance equipment and services,
- for EasyMile: development and commercialisation of driverless technologies and smart mobility solutions for short distances (last mile concept).

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 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.