

**Prior notification of a concentration****(Case COMP/M.6792 — Goldman Sachs/TPG Lundy/Max/MPG)****Candidate case for simplified procedure****(Text with EEA relevance)**

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1. On 28 August 2013, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> by which the undertaking The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ('Goldman Sachs', USA) and TPG LundyCo, L.P. ('TPG Lundy', Cayman Islands), ultimately controlled by the TPG Group (USA), acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation, joint control with Max Property Group Plc ('Max', Jersey) of MPG Hospital Holdings Limited ('MPG', UK), from Lloyds Banking Group, UK by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Goldman Sachs: the provision of financial services as a global investment banking, securities and investment management firm,
- TPG Group: a global private investment firm that manages a family of funds and invests in a variety of companies through acquisitions and corporate restructurings,
- Max: a company active in the UK real estate market through investment and active management; its investment portfolio includes hospitals, multi-let industrial estate, St Katharine Docks offices and marina investments, London pubs and nightclubs,
- MPG: owning a portfolio of four private hospitals based in the UK and let on long-term leases.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the EC 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 EC Merger Regulation <sup>(2)</sup> 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. 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 number COMP/M.6792 — Goldman Sachs/TPG Lundy/Max/MPG, to the following address:

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

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32 ('Notice on a simplified procedure').