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POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case M.7265 — Zimmer/Biomet)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2014/C 180/12)

1. On 3 June 2014, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004⁽¹⁾ by which the undertaking Zimmer Holdings, Inc. ('Zimmer', United States of America) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Biomet, Inc. ('Biomet', United States of America) by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Zimmer is active in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of orthopaedic reconstructive, spinal and trauma devices, biologics, dental implants and related surgical products,
- Biomet is also active in orthopaedic and other medical devices and related products.

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. 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 e-mail to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number M.7265 — Zimmer/Biomet, to the following address :

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the "Merger Regulation").