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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9907 – Exclusive Networks/Veracomp Business)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2020/C 381/13)

1. On 4 November 2020, 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:

— Exclusive Networks SAS ('Exclusive Networks', France),

— Veracomp SA ('Veracomp', Poland).

Exclusive Networks will acquire sole control within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation over the whole of Veracomp.

The concentration is accomplished by way of acquisition of assets.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Exclusive Networks: wholesale distribution of IT products dedicated to enterprise IT security and software defined data centres (SDDC), in various countries around the world,

— for Veracomp: wholesale distribution of a range of diverse IT products predominantly in the Central and Eastern Europe region (including Poland, Czechia, Slovakia, Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Croatia, Slovenia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, Montenegro, Albania, Kosovo, North Macedonia).

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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Observations can be sent to the Commission by email, by fax, or by post. Please use the contact details below:

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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.

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