Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8737 — AmTrust/Madison Dearborn Partners/Mayfield Holdings JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2017/C 444/12)

1. On 18 December 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:

— AmTrust Financial Services ('AmTrust') (USA),

— Madison Dearborn Partners ('MDP') (USA),

— Mayfield Holdings ('Mayfield') (USA).

AmTrust and MDP acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and Article 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the whole of Mayfield Holdings LLC.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for AmTrust: AmTrust is a US-based insurance conglomerate

— for MDP: MDP is a US-based private equity investment firm, with investments in a range of industries.

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:

M.8737 — AmTrust/Madison Dearborn Partners/Mayfield Holdings JV

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

Email: COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu

Fax +32 22964301

Postal address:

European Commission
Directorate-General for Competition
Merger Registry
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel
BELGIQUE/BELGIË

([1]) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').
([2]) OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.