Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9152 — BC Partners/United Group)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2018/C 423/10)

1. On 16 November 2018, 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:

— BC European Capital Management X Limited, ultimately advised by BC Partners LLP (United Kingdom),

— United Group BV (The Netherlands).

BC Partners LLP acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of United Group BV.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for BC Partners LLP: private equity fund,

— for United Group BV: provider of telecommunications and media services.

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. 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').