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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8665 — Discovery/Scripps)

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 8 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:

— Discovery Communications, Inc. ('Discovery', United States),

— Scripps Networks Interactive, Inc. ('Scripps', United States).

Discovery acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of Scripps.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Discovery: a global media company that provides content across multiple distribution platorms, including linear platforms such as pay-television, free-to-air, and various digital distribution platforms around the world,

— for Scripps: a global media company providing primarily home, food, travel and other related programming.

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:

M.8665 — Discovery/Scripps

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[1] OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').