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Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.11279 – CTS EVENTIM / FNAC DARTY / FRANCE BILLET)

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 10 September 2024, 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:

— CTS Eventim AG & Co. KGaA ('CTS Eventim', Germany),

— Fnac Darty Participations et Services SA ('Fnac Darty Participations et Services', France), owned by Fnac Darty SA ('Fnac Darty', France), the ultimate parent of the Fnac Darty group,

— France Billet SAS ('France Billet', France), currently ultimately solely controlled by Fnac Darty.

CTS Eventim and Fnac Darty will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of France Billet.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:

— CTS Eventim is active in the event ticketing and the live entertainment sectors in Europe,

— Fnac Darty is a European retailer of cultural and leisure goods, consumer electronics and household appliances.

— France Billet is active in the ticketing market mainly in France.

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 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').