Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.10131 — Partners Group/Warburg Pincus/Ecom Express Private)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 12 January 2021, 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:

— Partners Group AG ('Partners Group', Switzerland),

— Warburg Pincus LLC ('Warburg Pincus', United States),

— Ecom Express Private Limited ('Ecom Express Private', India) controlled by Warburg Pincus.

Partners Group and Warburg Pincus acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Ecom Express Private.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Partners Group: global private markets investment management company active in a range of industries,

— for Warburg Pincus: global private equity firm with portfolio companies active in various sectors (e.g. consumer, industrial and business services, energy, financial services, healthcare, real estate, and technology),

— for Ecom Express Private: provider of third-party logistics services in India.

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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