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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9716 – AMS/OSRAM)

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 29 May 2020, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 and following a referral pursuant to Article 4(5) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ([1]).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

— AMS (Austria),

— OSRAM (Germany)

AMS acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of OSRAM. The concentration is accomplished by way of public bid announced on 7 November 2019.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for AMS: providing high-performance sensing technologies in the consumer, communications, automotive, industrial and medical end-markets with a focus on three strategic pillars: optical, imaging and audio sensing,

— for OSRAM: providing lighting solutions and sensors, visualisation and light-based treatments, which include from LEDs to other semiconductor-based technologies, such as infrared emitters, lasers and sensors, to light management systems, and to traditional and speciality lamps.

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').

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