Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.10228 — Advent/Mondial Relay)
Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 30 April 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:

— Advent International Corporation ('Advent', USA),

— Mondial Relay SAS ('Mondial Relay', France).

Advent, indirectly through InPost SA, acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Mondial Relay.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Advent: a private equity investment fund focused on the acquisition of equity stakes and the management of interests in various sectors, including business and financial services; industrial goods and services; retail operations, branded consumer goods, and leisure services; media, telecommunications, and information technology; and healthcare services and pharmaceuticals. Through its controlled portfolio companies, Hermes UK, Hermes Germany and InPost SA, Advent is active in 'Pick-Up & Drop-Off' ('PUDO') network services and small package delivery services in the UK, Germany, Poland and Italy, respectively, and to a minor extent in cross-border deliveries,

— for Mondial Relay: a company active in the provision of PUDO network services and small package delivery services in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain. To a minor extent, Mondial Relay is also active in cross-border deliveries.

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.