Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8859 — Viohalco/Koramic/JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2018/C 120/10)

1. On 28 March 2018, 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:

— ElvalHalcor SA (Greece), controlled by Viohalco SA (Belgium),

— NedZink BV (Netherlands), currently controlled by Koramic Holding NV (Belgium).

ElvalHalcor SA and Koramic Holding NV acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of NedZink BV.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Viohalco SA: manufacturing and sale of products, including copper, aluminium and steel for the construction industry, in particular copper elements for roofing and rainwater systems; aluminium elements for roofing systems, facades and rainwater systems steel sandwich panels,

— for Koramic Holding NV: investment in industrial and commercial companies, real estate investment and development, private equity and treasury activities, in particular production of rolled zinc products for roofing systems and rainwater systems; zinc production activities are mainly conducted through NedZink BV.

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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([1]) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').
([2]) OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.