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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9471 — Clearlake/TA/DigiCert)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2019/C 287/05)

1. On 12 August 2019, 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:

— Clearlake Capital Group, L.P. ('Clearlake', United States),

— TA Associates Management, L.P. ('TA', United States),

— DigiCert Parent Inc ('DigiCert', United States).

Clearlake and TA acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the whole of DigiCert.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Clearlake: private equity investment, with portfolio companies active in software and technology-enabled services, energy and industrials, and consumer products/services,

— for TA: private equity investment, with portfolio companies active in selected industries, including business services, consumer, financial services, healthcare and technologies,

— for DigiCert: enterprise security technology and/or software solutions with an emphasis on scalable high assurance digital certificates (including, in particular, TLS/SSL certificates) and Public Key Infrastructure solutions for identity and encryption.

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.

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

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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