PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.10338 – Galileo/M6/JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2021/C 387/03)

1. On 13 September 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:

— Galileo Global Education ('Galileo', France),

— M6 Group ('M6', France),

— JV ('Cible', France).

Galileo and M6 acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Cible, a full-function joint venture.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Galileo: a private higher education and vocational training group with establishments worldwide, mainly in the EEA,

— for M6: carries out, directly and through its subsidiaries, activities at various stages of the audiovisual value chain, production and acquisition of audiovisual rights, editing, marketing and distribution of audiovisual media services, advertising space marketing, merchandising, etc., mainly in France,

— for Cible: a full-function joint venture offering online courses (digital learning), which may or may not lead to certification, mainly in the culinary, beauty, real estate, personal services, management, sales and business creation, digital, social networks and code, DIY, health and paramedical fields, exclusively in France.

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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