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(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9975 – Warburg Pincus/Vista Equity Partners Management/Infoblox)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2020/C 352/04)

1. On 15 October 2020, 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:

— Warburg Pincus LLC ('Warburg Pincus', USA),

— Vista Equity Partners Management ('Vista', USA),

— Infoblox, Inc. ('Infoblox' or the 'Target', USA), currently solely controlled by Vista.

Warburg Pincus and Vista will acquire joint control within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation over the whole of Infoblox. Vista currently enjoys sole control over Infoblox.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Warburg Pincus: private equity investment firm, primarily investing in companies in a variety of sectors, including consumer, industrial and business services, energy, financial services, healthcare, real estate, and technology, media and telecommunications,

— for Vista: private investment firm that manages a number of portfolio companies active in the provision of IT services,

— for Infoblox: provider of IT automation and security services, including software and appliances that automate the assignment of IP addresses and manage the Domain Name System ('DNS'), and DNS security and cloud network automation solutions.

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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