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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9546 — Gategroup/LSG European Business)

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 14 February 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:

— Gategroup Holding AG ('Gategroup', Switzerland),

— the European catering assets and certain ancillary businesses of LSG Lufthansa Services Holding AG ('LSG', Germany).

Gategroup acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of parts of the business of LSG, namely the European catering assets and certain ancillary businesses ('LSG European Business').

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares and assets.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Gategroup: in-flight catering, retail on board and other related services to airlines in around 60 countries, including the EEA,

— for LSG European Business: in-flight catering and other related services, mainly in the EEA.

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.

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:

M.9546 — Gategroup/LSG European Business

([1]) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

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