Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.9392 — EQT/Parques Reunidos)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2019/C 185/13)

1. On 23 May 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:

— EQT Fund Management SARL ('EQT', Luxembourg),

— Parques Reunidos Servicios Centrales SA ('Parques Reunidos', Spain).

EQT acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Parques Reunidos.

The concentration is accomplished by way of public bid announced on 26 April 2019.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for EQT: investments in infrastructure and infrastructure-related assets and businesses primarily in Europe and North America,

— for Parques Reunidos: leisure park operator (theme parks, zoos, marine parks, water parks, indoor entertainment centres and other attractions).

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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Observations can be sent to the Commission by email, by fax, or by post. Please use the contact details below:

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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.