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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8560 — HAPM/Magna/JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2017/C 230/07)

1. On 10 July 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 [1] by which Hubei Aviation Precision Machinery Technology Co., Ltd. (China) ('HAPM') ultimately controlled by Aviation Industry Corporation of China, Beijing (China) ('AVIC'), and Magna International Inc. (Canada) ('Magna') acquire within the meaning of Article 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Hubei HAPM MAGNA Seating Systems Co., Ltd., (China) (the 'JV') by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— HAPM: the supply of seat mechanism and structure components,

— Magna: the supply of a broad range of automotive components, including body, chassis, exterior, seating, powertrain, active driver assistance, vision, closure and roof systems, as well as complete vehicle engineering and contract manufacturing,

— JV: will be active in the manufacture and sale of components for automotive seats for passenger cars and light commercial vehicles (seat structures and seat mechanisms) for the Chinese market. The JV will be active exclusively in China and may expand in other Asian countries in the future. The Parties have not foreseen any expansion of the JV's business activity 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. 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 this 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. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (+32 22964301), by email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference M.8560 — HAPM/Magna/JV, to the following address:

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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.