Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.10282 — ICG/Infra Group)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2021/C 210/08)

1. On 26 May 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:

— Intermediate Capital Group plc ('ICG') (United Kingdom),

— Infra International NV ('Infra Group') (Belgium).

ICG acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of Infra Group.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— ICG: a UK-based investment firm, with investments in various companies across Europe, Asia Pacific and the US. These companies include ennit Group, a German-based telephony and internet services company which owns and leases networks under its brand TNG. Its subsidiaries Stadtnetze Nord and Glasfaser Nord provide infrastructure network services necessary for the expansion of TNG's fibre-optic network,

— Infra Group: an infrastructure works provider (electricity, water & sewage, gas & district heating, telecom, earthmoving, industry, and public lighting). It offers a full range of services from design, engineering and installation to the maintenance of infrastructure networks. Infra Group is active in Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Germany. It is currently envisaged that, at the closing of the notified transaction, Infra Group will also have completed the acquisition of the Graf group, a German civil engineering company that provides network construction services.

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.

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