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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8668 — DER Touristik Deutschland GmbH/EXIM Holding A.S.)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2017/C 376/02)

1. On 27 October 2017, 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:

— DER Touristik Deutschland GmbH ('DER Touristik', Germany), a subsidiary of REWE Group (Germany),

— EXIM Holding A.S. ('EXIM', Czech Republic).

DER Touristik acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of EXIM.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for DER Touristik: forms part of the Travel &Tourism Division of REWE Group, which operates in the tourism sector as well as in the food and non-food retail sector via a separate branch,

— for EXIM: a Czech joint stock company holding four subsidiaries active in the tourism sector in the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary and Slovakia.

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:

M.8668 — DER Touristik Deutschland GmbH/EXIM Holding A.S.

([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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