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Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.12166 – MSC / NYK / JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

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1. On 6 November 2025, 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:

— AGL Kenya Limited ('AGL Kenya', Kenya), controlled by MSC Mediterranean Shipping Company Holding SA ('MSC Group', Switzerland),

— Yusen Logistics Global Management Co., Ltd. ('Yusen', Japan), controlled by Nippon Yusen Kabushiki Kaisha ('NYK Group', Japan),

— A newly created joint venture ('JV', Kenya).

AGL Kenya and Yusen will acquire within the meaning of Articles 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the JV.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:

— AGL Kenya provides freight forwarding services and other logistics services in Kenya. The MSC Group operates worldwide in the sea transport of containerized cargo, port handling, logistics services, cruise and ferry sectors,

— Yusen provides integrated logistics services tailored to various industries, including ocean and air freight forwarding, contract logistics, temperature-controlled transportation, and supply chain management. It operates in 46 countries worldwide. The NYK Group is a global logistics provider that specializes in, among other things, international marine transportation, cruises, terminal and other shipping-related services.

3. The business activities of the JV will be the following: providing air and sea freight forwarding services in various countries across the African continent.

4. 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 treatment for certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings ([2]), it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the Notice.

5. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed concentration 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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([1]) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').
([2]) OJ C 160, 5.5.2023, p. 1.

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