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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8583 — Lufthansa Technik/Pepperl+Fuchs/JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2017/C 396/08)

1. On 3 November 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:

— Lufthansa Technik AG ('Lufthansa Technik', Germany), controlled by Deutsche Lufthansa AG (Germany),

— Pepperl+Fuchs AG ('Pepperl+Fuchs', Germany),

— JV, newly created joint venture (Germany).

Lufthansa Technik and Pepperl+Fuchs acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and Article 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of a newly created joint venture.

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:

— for Lufthansa Technik: provision of maintenance, repair and overhaul services for the aerospace sector worldwide,

— for Pepperl+Fuchs: development, manufacture and sale of electrical explosion protection and sensor technology products for process automation solutions and systems for a variety of industrial sectors,

— for the JV: research, development and sale of sensor based automation solutions for aircraft maintenance services including aircraft engines and components specifically.

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 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.8583 — Lufthansa Technik/Pepperl+Fuchs/JV

([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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