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(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8786 — OMERS/DV4/QIA/ABP/Real Estate JV)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2018/C 255/06)

1. On 11 July 2018, 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:

— Oxford Jersey Holding Company Limited ('Oxford', Jersey),

— DV4 Limited ('DV4', British Virgin Islands),

— Qatari Diar Real Estate Investment Company Q.P.S.C. ('QDREIC', Qatar),

— Stichting Depositary APG Strategic Real Estate Pool ('APG', The Netherlands),

— E1EV LLPs joint venture comprising of the following two limited liability partnerships: Tribeca Square LLP and East Village London LLP ('E1EV LLPs', UK),

— E2LG LLPs joint venture comprising of the following three limited liability partnerships: Elephant and Castle LLP, Merchant City (Glasgow) LLP and Holbeck Quarter (Leeds) LLP ('E2LG LLPs', UK);

Oxford, DV4, QDREIC and APG acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control over E1EV LLPs and E2LG LLPs by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Oxford: part of the wider OMERS Administration Corporation ('OMERS') Group. OMERS is the administrator of the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System Primary Pension Plan and trustee of the pension funds. OMERS manages a diversified global portfolio of stocks and bonds as well as real estate, private equity and infrastructure investments,

— for DV4: a real estate investment fund,

— for QDREIC: a real estate investment and development company, wholly owned by the sovereign investment fund of the State of Qatar,

— for APG: a depositary for an investment fund whose ultimate beneficial owner is Stichting Pensioenfonds ABP, a pension administration organisation that specialises in the field of collective pensions in the public sector,

— for E1EV LLPs and E2LG LLPs: managing and developing a portfolio of residential and retail real estate assets in the United Kingdom.

([1]) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

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 [1] 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 C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.