Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8068 — Bunge/Walter Rau Neusser Öl und Fett)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2016/C 306/09)

1. On 16 August 2016, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ([1]) by which the undertaking Bunge Deutschland GmbH (Germany), a subsidiary of Bunge Limited ('Bunge', United States) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control over the whole of the undertaking Walter Rau Neusser Öl und Fett AG ('WRAG', Germany) by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Bunge: food and agribusiness company active in the purchase, storage and processing of grains and oilseeds, production and sale of sugar and bioenergy, edible oils and fats, creation of milled wheat, corn and rice products for consumers and the production, blend and distribution of fertiliser products for agriculture. Bunge operates in approximately 40 countries worldwide.

— for WRAG: processing and blending of vegetable oils and fats primarily for industrial food processors and production and marketing of edible oils.

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.

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. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (+32 22964301), by email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference M.8068 — Bunge/Walter Rau Neusser Öl und Fett, to the following address:

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