

***Case No COMP/M.2943 -
VESTAR CAPITAL
PARTNERS / CARDO
RAIL***

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**REGULATION (EEC) No 4064/89
MERGER PROCEDURE**

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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MERGER PROCEDURE
ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

PUBLIC VERSION

To the notifying party

Dear Madam(s) and/or Sir(s),

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.2943 – Vestar Capital Partners / Cardo Rail
Notification of 9 August 2002 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation
(EEC) No. 4064/89¹
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities No. C 196,
17/08/2002, p. 9**

1. On 9 August 2002 the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89¹ by which the undertaking Vestar Capital Partners IV (US) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Cardo Rail (Sweden), by way of purchase of shares.
2. Vestar Capital Partners IV is one of three funds in the private equity firm Vestar Capital Partners. Cardo Rail produces and supplies brake systems for rail vehicles and related products.
3. After examination of the notification, the Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 and of paragraph 4, subparagraph c, of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89².

¹ OJ L 395, 30.12.1989 p. 1; corrected version OJ L 257 of 21.9.1990, p. 13, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1310/97, OJ L 180, 9.7.1997, p. 1, corrigendum in OJ L 40, 13.2.1998, p. 17.

² OJ C 217, 29.07.2000, p. 32.

4. For the reasons set out in the Notice on a simplified procedure, the Commission has decided not to oppose the notified operation and to declare it compatible with the common market and with the EEA Agreement. This decision is adopted in application of Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89.

For the Commission

(signed)

Mario MONTI
Member of the Commission