

***Case No COMP/M.3038 -  
ALDEASA / COMPASS /  
FOODLASA***

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

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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

**To the notifying parties**

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

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.3038 – ALDEASA/COMPASS/FOODLASA  
Notification of 19.12.2002 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC)  
No. 4064/89<sup>1</sup>  
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities No. C 4 of  
09.01.2003, page 3.**

1. On 19.12.2003, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 by which the undertaking Aldeasa S.A. (“Aldeasa”, Spain) and Compass Group Holding Spain, S.L. (“Compass”, Spain) belonging to Compass Group PLC (United Kingdom) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of the undertaking Foodlasa S.L. (“Foodlasa”, Spain), now wholly owned by Aldeasa, by way of purchase of shares.

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<sup>1</sup> 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. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are :
- for undertaking Aldeasa : retail sales at airports,
  - for undertaking Compass : contract catering, concession catering and vending services,
  - for undertaking Foodlasa : the concession of foodservices in the airport of Valencia and Ibiza (Spain).
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, subparagraphs (a) and (c), of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89<sup>2</sup>.
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 by Mario MONTI  
Member of the Commission

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<sup>2</sup> OJ C 217, 29.07.2000, p. 32.