

***Case No COMP/M.3875 -  
PAI PARTNERS SAS /  
KWIK-FIT***

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**REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004  
MERGER PROCEDURE**

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Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION  
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ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying party :

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

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.3875 - PAI partners SAS / KWIK-FIT  
Notification of 8.07.2005 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No.  
139/2004<sup>1</sup>  
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No. C 175 of  
15/07/2005 (p.11)**

1. On 8.07/2005, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 by which P.A.I Partners S.A.S (“PAI”, France), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of Kwik-Fit Group Ltd (“Kwik-Fit”, UK), by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are :
  - PAI : private equity fund
  - Kwik-Fit : repair and maintenance of automotive vehicles .

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004 p. 1

3. After examination of the notification, the Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 and of paragraph 5, subparagraph c, of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004<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 (EC) No. 139/2004.

For the Commission  
[signed]  
Neelie KROES  
Member of the Commission

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<sup>2</sup> OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p.32