

***Case No COMP/M.4243 -
INTERNATIONAL
AUTOMOTIVE
COMPONENTS GROUP
/ LEAR CORPORATION***

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**REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004
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.4243 – International Automotive Components /Lear Corporation (European Interior Business)

Notification of 14/06/2006 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004¹

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1. On 14/06/2006, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which International Automotive Components Group LLC, (“IAC”, USA, controlled by WL Ross & Co), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of Lear Corporation’s European Interior System Division (“LEI”, part of the Lear Group, USA), by way of purchase of assets.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- IAC: automotive interior components and systems;
 - LEI: automotive interior components and systems.
2. 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

¹ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004 p. 1.

5, subparagraph c, of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004².

3. 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
Philip LOWE
Director General

² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p.32