

***Case No COMP/M.4780 -
WL ROSS / C&A
AUTOMOTIVE
INTERIOR
BUSINESSES***

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

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION

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ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying party

Dear Sirs,

Subject: Case No COMP/M.4780 - WL ROSS/ C&A AUTOMOTIVE INTERIOR BUSINESSES
Notification of 19.07.2007 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No. C188, 11/08/2007, page 8.

1. On 19.07.2007, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004¹ by which WL Ross (USA) via International Automotive Components North America, International Automotive Components Group Brazil and via International Automotive Components Group LLC (together “IAC”) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of certain assets of C&A Corporation (“C&A Automotive Interior Businesses”).
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for WL Ross: private equity fund which through IAC produces and supplies certain automotive interior parts.
 - for C&A Automotive Interior Businesses: manufacture and supply of cockpit modules, instrument panels, interior trim and flooring and acoustic systems.

¹ 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. 139/2004².
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)
Philip LOWE
Director General

² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p.32