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**COMP/M.4316 - Atos Origin/Banksys/BCC**

**SECTION 1.2**

**Description of the concentration**

On 25 August 2006, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Council Regulation No 139/2004, in which the undertaking Atos Worldline S.A.S. ("AW") controlled by Atos Origin S.A. ("AO") acquires the sole control of Banksys N.V./S.A. ("Banksys") and Bank Card Company N.V./S.A. ("BCC") within the meaning of Article 3(1)b 3 of the Council Regulation No 139/2004 by way of a share purchase.

The business activities of the concerned undertakings involve:

- AO: various information technology services. For its wholly owned subsidiary AW: transaction processing services for payment cards, customer relationship management ("CRM") services and multi-channel contact services (Internet and voice services).
- Banksys: Commercial acquiring services for national debit cards, transaction processing services for payment cards and payment terminal business services.
- BCC: Commercial acquiring services for international debit and credit cards.