## Disclaimer :

The Competition DG makes the information provided by the notifying parties in section 1.2 of Form CO available to the public in order to increase transparency. This information has been prepared by the notifying parties under their sole responsibility, and its content in no way prejudges the view the Commission may take of the planned operation. Nor can the Commission be held responsible for any incorrect or misleading information contained therein.

## COMP/M. 4830 – CVC / SAMSONITE

## **SECTION 1.2**

## **Description of the concentration**

The present notification form relates to the planned acquisition by CVC Capital Partners Group SARL (hereinafter referred to as "CVC") through Cameron 1 S.A.R.L and other CVC funds to be identified (hereinafter referred to as "the Acquirer") of the Samsonite Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Samsonite" or "the Company").

The Acquirer and the Company entered into an agreement on 5 July 2007, the purpose of which is to transfer 85% of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock. At the same time, and as regards the remaining 15% stake, the Agreement sets out that any stakeholder, who is not party to the Agreement, has the right to receive an amount in cash equal to USD1.49, without interest, per share. Therefore, CVC will finally hold a 100 % stake in the Company.

The Acquirer is a fund company incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg. Ultimately owned by CVC, which advises several funds that hold investments in various industries, including utilities, construction, manufacturing, retailing and distribution.

The Company is active in the manufacture and sale of luggage and other travelling items. As there is no horizontal overlap or vertical relationship, the notifying party request the benefit from the short Form CO.