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Description of the concentration

The Commission has received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) 139/2004 by which Galenica Ltd. ("Galenica") and Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co. KGaA ("Fresenius") would acquire joint control over a newly created full-function joint venture ("JV").

The primary business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Galenica: development, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical products worldwide, operation of pharmacies, logistical and database services.
- for Fresenius: provision of dialysis products, such as haemodialysis machines, dialyzers and related disposable products, as well as the provision of dialysis services.
- For JV: research, development, marketing and distribution of pharmaceutical products against hyperphosphatemia and iron deficiency anaemia for patients suffering primarily from CKD Stages 3, 4 and 5.