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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 25 September 2014, Dolby Laboratories, Inc. notified the Commission of its intention to acquire sole control over Doremi Technologies, a California-based corporation that specialises in the design and sale of digital cinema servers, and Highlands Technologies, a French-based company that markets and resells Doremi servers in EMEA.

The proposed concentration does not have Community dimension as the combined EEA-wide turnover of Doremi and Highlands is less than EUR 22 million, but the case has been referred to the Commission for review under Article 22 of Regulation 139/2004 by the Spanish and UK competition authorities.

The activities of Dolby and Doremi overlap in two areas: first in relation to digital cinema servers (which account for most of Doremi's sales) and secondly in relation to theatre management systems. The market for 3D audio is also considered in this notification.