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M. 7517 - HEBEI IRON & STEEL GROUP / DPH / DUFERCO INTERNATIONAL TRADING HOLDING

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 3 March 2015, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which Hebei Iron & Steel Group, Co. Ltd. (HBIS, China) acquires from Duferco Participations Holding S.A. (DPH, Switzerland) a controlling shareholding in Duferco International Trading Holding S.A. (DITH, Luxembourg).

The main business activities of the parties are:

- HBIS: the production and sale of steel products;
- DPH: holding company of DITH; and
- DITH: the trading/distribution of steel products.