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OPINION

of the ADVISORY COMMITTEE on MERGERS

given at its meeting of 11 May 2017

regarding a draft decision relating to

CASE M.8228(2) – FACEBOOK / WHATSAPP (ART.14(1) PROC.)

Rapporteur : FRANCE

1. The Advisory Committee (5 Member States) agrees with the factors taken into consideration by the Commission for the purposes of determining the level of the fines to be imposed on Facebook pursuant to Article 14(1)(a) and Article 14(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation¹.
2. The Advisory Committee (5 Member States) agrees with the actual level of the fines proposed by the Commission.

¹ Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 of 20 January 2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings (the "Merger Regulation") (OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1).
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