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M.8864 - VODAFONE / CERTAIN LIBERTY GLOBAL ASSETS

SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

The notified transaction concerns the acquisition by Vodafone Group Plc ("Vodafone") of Liberty Global plc's ("Liberty Global") telecommunications businesses in the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary and Romania.

Vodafone is the holding company of a group primarily involved in the operation of mobile telecommunications networks and the provision of mobile telecommunications services, such as mobile voice, messaging and data services. Some of its operating companies also provide cable television, fixed line telephony, broadband internet access and/or IPTV services. Within the EU, Vodafone is active in twelve Member States, including the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary and Romania.

In the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary and Romania, Liberty Global owns and operates cable networks offering TV, broadband and voice telephony services, as well as providing mobile services as a service provider or mobile virtual network operator in Germany and Hungary. Liberty Global operates under the name Unitymedia in Germany, and under the name UPC in the Czech Republic, Hungary and Romania.