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**SECTION 1.2**

**Description of the concentration**

1. On 4 May 2018, the European Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Regulation (EC) 139/2004 by which AEA Investors LP (“**AEA**”) and British Columbia Investment Management Corporation (“**BCI**”) will acquire joint control of SIWF Holdings, Inc. (“**Springs**”).

The main business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- AEA: private equity fund with investments in various sectors, in particular value added industrial products, specialty chemicals, consumer/retail and services;
- BCI: invests on behalf of public sector clients in fixed income, mortgages, public and private equity, real estate, infrastructure and renewable resources; and
- Springs: manufactures and supplies window coverings (e.g. blinds, shutters, curtains, draperies and retractable awnings).