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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 26 June 2018, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004, by which Liberty Industries France S.A.S. ("LIF") will acquire sole control over the business and assets of Aluminium Dunkerque ("AD").

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are respectively:

- 1. LIF: LIF is a privately owned company that is indirectly controlled by Mr Sanjeev Gupta, whose related business interests include the Liberty House Group ("LHG"). LHG specialises in commodities, metals recycling, and the manufacture of steel, aluminium (aluminium smelting) and engineering products.
- 2. AD: AD operates an aluminium smelter in Northern France. AD is active in the manufacture of aluminium (aluminium smelting). AD was opened in 1992. Since 2007, it has been owned by the Rio Tinto Group ("**Rio Tinto**"), following Rio Tinto's acquisition of Alcan.