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## **SECTION 1.2**

## **Description of the concentration**

- (1) This notification concerns the proposed acquisition of indirect sole control over VetPartners Group Limited, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 of 20 January 2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings, by BC Partners LLP ("BC Partners"), acting through its fund BC European Capital X, managed by BCEC Management X Limited.
- (2) BC Partners is an international private equity firm with headquarters in London with investments in a diverse range of sectors.
- (3) VetPartners is a veterinary practice group, active almost exclusively in the UK. Each veterinary practice provides veterinary services, to either companion animals, farm animals or horses (or a mixture). These services are provided at the veterinary practice, or on-site for farm and equine animals.
- (4) The proposed concentration constitutes a mere financial investment and does not raise any competition concerns.