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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification relates to the proposed acquisition of sole control 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 over HELLENIC TELECOMMUNICATION AND TELEMATIC APPLICATIONS S.A. by NEWCO UNITED GROUP HELLAS S.A R.L, a wholly owned subsidiary of United Group BV.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

United Group is engaged in the provision of telecoms and media in South East Europe, where it operates a multi-play cable and media platform. United Group's headquarter is located at Overschiestraat 61-5, 1062 XD Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Forthnet is a telecommunications operator active in Greece and Cyprus under the brand NOVA that provides fixed telephony, fixed broadband and Pay-TV services (both DTH and IPTV) to both residential and business customers. Forthnet's headquarter is located at Kantza, Pallini of Attica, P.C. 153 51, Greece.