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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES



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MERGER PROCEDURE ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying parties

Subject: Case No. COMP/M.2191 - BT/AMADEUS/JV

Notification of 6.10.2000 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89¹ Publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities No. C 293 of 14.10.2000 page 13.

1. On 6.10.2000, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 by which the undertakings British Telecommunications plc. (BT) (UK) and AMADEUS Global Travel Distribution S.A. (Spain) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of an undertaking providing travel services in Asia-Pacific via Internet by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.

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OJ L 395, 30.12.1989 p. 1; corrected version OJ L 257 of 21.9.1990, p. 13, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1310/97, OJ L 180, 9.7.1997, p. 1, corrigendum in OJ L 40, 13.2.1998, p. 17.

- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- for BT: Telecommunications;
- for AMADEUS Global Travel Distribution S.A.: travel services especially related to CRS (Computer Reservation System).
- 3. After examination of the notification, the Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89 and of paragraph 4, subparagraph a) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89².
- 4. For the reasons set out in the Notice on a simplified procedure, the Commission has decided not to oppose the notified operation and to declare it compatible with the common market and with the EEA Agreement. This decision is adopted in application of Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89.

For the Commission

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² OJ C 217, 29.07.2000, p. 32.