

***Case No COMP/M.2259 -
TERRA / AMADEUS /
ITRAVEL.COM***

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**REGULATION (EEC) No 4064/89
MERGER PROCEDURE**

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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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

Dear Madam / Sir(s),

Subject: Case No. COMP/M. 2259 – TERRA/AMADEUS/1TRAVEL.COM

Notification of 7 December 2000 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 4064/89¹

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1. On 7 December 2000 the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 by which the Spanish undertaking TERRA Networks Asociadas Extranjeras SL, controlled by TERRA Networks S.A (TERRA), which is controlled by the Spanish telecommunications operator Telefónica S.A. and Amadeus NMC Holding Inc. (USA) controlled by the Spanish undertaking AMADEUS Global Travel Distribution S.A. (AMADEUS) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of 1TRAVEL.COM (USA) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are :
 - for TERRA: development of activities related to Internet;
 - for AMADEUS: travel services especially related to CRS (Computer Reservation System).

¹ 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.

- for 1TRAVEL.COM: Internet travel agency.

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,
Mario Monti
Member of the Commission

² OJ C 217, 29.07.2000, p. 32.