

***Case No COMP/M.3634 -  
ISUZU / BERGE /  
MITSUBISHI / JV***

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**REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004  
MERGER PROCEDURE**

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Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION  
Date: 21/12/2004

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ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying parties

Dear Sirs,

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.3634 – Isuzu / Bergé / Mitsubishi / JV  
Notification of 18.11.2004 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004<sup>1</sup>  
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No. C289 of 26.11.2004, page 6**

1. On 18.11.2004, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 by which the undertakings Bergé Automation S.L. (“BA”, Spain), Isuzu Motors Ltd (“Isuzu”, Japan), and Mitsubishi Corporation (“Mitsubishi”, Japan) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of the undertaking Distribuidora de Vehículos Isuzu Iberica S.A. (“Isuzu Spain”, Spain) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - for BA: wholesale and retail distribution of motor vehicles;
  - for Isuzu: manufacture of automobiles;

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004 p. 1

- for Mitsubishi: general worldwide trading company;
  - for Isuzu Spain: distribution of automobiles and spare parts.
3. After examination of the notification, the Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 and of paragraph 5, subparagraph c,399 of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No139/2004<sup>2</sup>.
  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 (EC) No. 139/2004.

For the Commission

*signed*  
Neelie KROES  
Member of the Commission

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<sup>2</sup> Available on DG COMP website:  
[http://europa.eu.int/comm/competition/mergers/legislation/consultation/simplified\\_tru.pdf](http://europa.eu.int/comm/competition/mergers/legislation/consultation/simplified_tru.pdf).