

***Case No COMP/M.4044 -
SAAB / TIETOENATOR
/ TIETOSAAB SYSTEMS
JV***

Only the English text is available and authentic.

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

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
Date: 30/01/2006

***In electronic form on the EUR-Lex website under document
number 32006M4044***



COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

Brussels, 30/01/2006

SG-Greffe(2006)

D/200391/200392/200393/200394

MERGER PROCEDURE
ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

PUBLIC VERSION

To the notifying parties

Dear Madam(s) and/or Sir(s),

Subject: **Case No. COMP/M.4044 - SAAB / TIETOENATOR / TIETOSAAB SYSTEMS JV**
Notification of 20/12/2005 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004¹
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities No.C 334, 30/12/2005, page 29.

1. On 20/12/2005, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertakings SAAB AB (Sweden) including its subsidiary Elesco Oy (Finland) and TietoEnator Corporation including its subsidiary TietoEnator Government Oy (“TietoEnator”, Finland) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of Tietosaab Systems JV (“TSS”, Finland), a newly created company constituting a joint venture through the purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are :
 - SAAB is a defence company, jointly controlled by BAE Systems and Investor, which is active through Elesco in sea and air defence, Command Control and Information system (C2i) and underwater warfare. TietoEnator is an information

¹ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004 p. 1.

technology systems company. TietoEnator Government serves the Finnish customers within the government and local authority business area.

- TSS, the joint venture company, is being established to enable the parties to participate, as a prime contractor, in procurements tendered by the Finnish Ministry of Defence for C2i systems and underwater warfare.
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(c), of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004².
 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

² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p.32.