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REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004 MERGER PROCEDURE

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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES



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MERGER PROCEDURE ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

PUBLIC VERSION

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

Subject:

Case No COMP/M.4140 – The Coca-Cola Company/Coca-Cola Hellenic Bottling Company S.A./Limited Liability Company Fresh and CO. Fabrika za peradu voća d.o.o.

Notification of 06/02/2006 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004¹

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1. On 06.02.2006, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 by which the undertakings The Coca-Cola Company ("TCCC", USA) and Coca-Cola Hellenic Bottling Company S.A. ("CCHBC", Greece) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of the undertaking Limited Liability Company Fresh & Co. Fabrika Za Peradu Voća d.o.o. ("Fresh & Co." Serbia) by purchase of shares.

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- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for TCCC: brand owner and supplier of soft drink concentrates;
 - for CCHBC: licensed bottler that produces and sells TCCC-branded beverages;
 - for Fresh & Co.: producing and selling of fruit juices in Serbia and Montenegro.
- 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(a) 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

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