

***Case No COMP/M.4172 -  
BARCLAYS / TUJA***

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

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Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION  
Date: 30/03/2006

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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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MERGER PROCEDURE  
ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

PUBLIC VERSION

To the notifying party

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

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.4172 – Barclays/Tuja**  
**Notification of 24.02.2006 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004<sup>1</sup>**  
**Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No. C 053, 03/03/2006, page 5**

1. On 24.02.2006, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 by which undertaking Barclays Private Equity Ltd. (“Barclays Private Equity”, UK) controlled by Barclays Bank plc (“Barclays”, UK) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation via an acquisition vehicle control of the whole of TUJA Holding GmbH (“TUJA”, Germany) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - for undertaking Barclays: financial services;

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

- for undertaking Barclays Private Equity: funds, including funds engaged in temporary employment services in the UK;
  - for undertaking TUJA: holding of TUJA group which is engaged in temporary employment services in Austria, Germany and Switzerland.
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, b) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004<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> OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p.32