

***Case No COMP/M.4642 -  
3i GROUP/EURO  
DRUCKSERVICE***

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

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Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION  
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ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

**To the notifying party:**

Dear Sir,

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.4642 – 3i GROUP / EURO DRUCKSERVICE  
Notification of 20 April 2007 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 94, 28/04/2007,  
p. 119**

1. On 20 April 2007, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004 by which the undertaking 3i Group plc (“3i”, United Kingdom) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Euro Druckservice AG (“EDSA”, Germany) by way of purchase of shares.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for undertaking 3i: Private equity and venture capital fund;
- for undertaking EDSA: Offset printing.

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

2. 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 b, of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No. 139/2004<sup>2</sup>.
3. 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  
Philip LOWE  
Director General

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<sup>2</sup> OJ C 56, 05.3.2005 p.32