

***Case No COMP/M.4837 -  
WALLENIUS / ANTELO  
/ GAL-CAT***

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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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MERGER PROCEDURE  
ARTICLE 6(1)(b) DECISION

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

**To the notifying parties:**

Dear Sirs,

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.4837 – Wallenius/ Antelo/ GAL-CAT  
Notification of 31 July 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 185, 08.08.07,  
p. 9.**

1. On 31 July 2007, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertaking Vehicle Services International A.B. ("VSI" Sweden), a newly established joint venture jointly held by Wallenius Lines ("WL", Sweden) and Mr Manuel Antelo an Argentinean entrepreneur who does not carry out any activities nor does he hold share interests in a company active in Europe, acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of Global Automotive Logistics/Compagnie d'Affrètement et de Transport ("GAL-CAT", France), by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are :
  - for undertaking VSI : shipping, ship broking, land transportation and commodity trading business, trade in and management of real estate, shares and securities and loan extensions.
  - for undertaking WL : provider of inland transportation services, deep-sea and short-sea transportation services;
  - for Manuel Antelo : Argentinean private person; solely controlling Car One Argentina a used and new car dealer in Argentina and San Jacinto Agro Business Argentina an

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

agricultural company and jointly controlling CAT Argentina and Chile, logistic companies, and WWL Vehicle Service America, Canada and Mexico, providers of sea-transportation;

- for undertaking GAL/CAT : provider of finished vehicles logistics, general contract logistics.

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 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)*  
Philip LOWE  
Director General

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