

***Case No COMP/M.5129 -  
DELTA LLOYD / SWISS  
LIFE BELGIUM***

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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 party**

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

**Subject: Case No. COMP/M.5129 - Delta Lloyd/ Swiss Life Belgium  
Notification of 26 March 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 85, 4.4.2008,  
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1. On 26.03.2008, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertaking Delta Lloyd N.V. ("Delta Lloyd", Netherlands) belonging to the Aviva group acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking Swiss Life Belgium N.V. ("Swiss Life Belgium", Belgium) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - for Delta Lloyd: financial services. Its main activities are underwriting and distribution of insurance products.
  - for Swiss Life Belgium: life insurer with a focus on pension products.

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

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 c, 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