

***Case No COMP/M.5259 -
MITSUI / BAMESA
CELIK / BAMI / JV***

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

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

SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE

To the notifying parties

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

**Subject: Case No COMP/M.5259 - MITSUI/ BAMESA CELIK/ BAMI/ JV
Notification of 13.08.2008 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No
139/2004¹
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 216 of
23.08.2008, page 24.**

1. On 13.08.2008, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertakings Mitsui & Co Europe ("Mitsui", UK) and Bamesa Celik Service Sanayi ve Ticaret ("Bamesa Celik", Turkey), jointly controlled by Bamesa Aceros SL ("Bamesa", Spain) and ArcelorMittal Group ("ArcelorMittal", Luxembourg) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of the whole of a newly created joint venture, Bami Celik Servis Sanayi ve Ticaret AS ("Bami", Turkey) by way of purchase of shares.

¹ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- for Mitsui: operates in the worldwide trading of a number of commodities, including steel products;
 - for ArcelorMittal: is a worldwide integrated steel group whose activities include the manufacture of steel inputs and the processing and distribution of steel;
 - for Bamesa Aceros: operates a network of service centres which are active in the iron and steel sector;
 - for Bamesa Celik: processing and distribution of steel;
 - for Bami: steel processing in Turkey.
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 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)
Philip LOWE
Director General

² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005, p. 32.