Case No COMP/M.5356 -GAMESTOP / MICROMANIA

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REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004 MERGER PROCEDURE

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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.5356 GameStop/ Micromania
Notification of 13.10.2008 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No
139/20041
Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 264,
17.10.2008, p. 18.
- 1. On 13.10. 2008, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which GameStop Corp. ("GameStop", USA) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of SAS SFMI Micromania ("Micromania", France) by way of purchase of shares and other securities.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for GameStop: retail of video game products and accessories mainly in the USA and in certain other countries;
- for Micromania: retail of video game products in France.

¹ 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(b) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004².
- 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

² OJ C 56, 05.3.2005, p. 32.