

***Case No COMP/M.5608 -  
ADVENT / MEDIAN  
CLINICS***

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

**Subject: Case No COMP/M.5608 – ADVENT / MEDIAN CLINICS  
Notification of 17/09/2009 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 232,  
26/09/2009, p. 19.**

- (1) On 17/09/2009, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertaking Advent International Corporation ("Advent", USA) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of parts of the Median group of companies (Germany) by way of purchase of shares.
- (2) The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - for Advent: global private equity investment;

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

- for Median: operation of rehabilitation and acute-care clinics in Germany. The acquisition concerns 26 rehabilitation clinics and one acute-care clinic out of the 32 clinics currently belonging to the Median group of companies.

- (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 (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.