Case No COMP/M.5659 - DAIMLER AG / IPIC / BRAWN GP

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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 parties

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

Subject: Case No COMP/M.5659 – Daimler AG / IPIC / Brawn GP

Notification of 26.11.2009 pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No

139/2004¹

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05.12.2009, p. 30

1. On 26.11.2009, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which the undertaking Daimler AG ("Daimler", Germany) and Aabar Investments PJSC ("Aabar", United Arab Emirates), a solely controlled subsidiary of International Petroleum Investment Company ("IPIC", United Arab Emirates) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control over Brawn GP ("Brawn", United Kingdom) by way of purchase of shares.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for Daimler: producer of automobiles and commercial vehicles and financial services,

OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

- for IPIC: investment company concentrating on petroleum refining and related upstream and downstream distribution and service networks,
- for Brawn: Formula One motor racing team.
- 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(a) 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.