

***Case No COMP/M.6762 - ADVENT INTERNATIONAL
CORPORATION/ MEDIQ***

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

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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SIMPLIFIED MERGER
PROCEDURE

To the notifying party

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

**Subject: Case No COMP/M.6762 - ADVENT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION/
MEDIQ
Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No
139/2004¹**

1. On 23 October 2012, the European Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 by which Advent International Corporation (NL) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of Mediq N.V. (NL) by way of public bid announced on 24 September 2012.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for Advent International Corporation : investment in several types of markets through a diverse portfolio that includes, among others, companies in the healthcare, industrial, retail and consumer and financial services sectors;
 - for Mediq N.V. : the provision of medical devices, pharmaceuticals and associated care.

¹ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 ("the Merger Regulation"). With effect from 1 December 2009, the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union ("TFEU") has introduced certain changes, such as the replacement of "Community" by "Union" and "common market" by "internal market". The terminology of the TFEU will be used throughout this decision.

3. After examination of the notification, the European Commission has concluded that the notified operation falls within the scope of the Merger Regulation and of paragraph 5(c)(ii) 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 European Commission has decided not to oppose the notified operation and to declare it compatible with the internal market and with the EEA Agreement. This decision is adopted in application of Article 6(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation.

For the Commission
(signed)
Alexander ITALIANER
Director General

² OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32.