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***Case No COMP/M.7170 - DISCOVERY
COMMUNICATIONS / EUROSPORT***

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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 M. 7170 - Discovery Communications / Eurosport
Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No
139/2004¹**

1. On 04 March 2014, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 and following a referral pursuant to Article 4(5) of the Merger Regulation by which the undertaking Discovery France Holdings SAS (France), controlled by Discovery Communications, Inc. (United States of America), acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of the undertaking Eurosport SAS (France) by way of purchase of shares².
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for Discovery Communications : Global non-fiction media entertainment company;
 - for Eurosport : European sports television channel provider;
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 6 of the

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.

² Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 72, 11.03.2014, p. 9.

Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004³.

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