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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 Sirs,

**Subject: Case M.7983 – DANISH CROWN / SPF-DANMARK
Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC)
No 139/2004¹ and Article 57 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area²**

1. On 12 May 2016, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which by which Leverandørselskabet Danish Crown AmbA ("Danish Crown", Denmark) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of SPF-Denmark A/S ("SPF", Denmark) by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for Danish Crown: active internationally in the food industry, specialised in the slaughtering, de-boning, processing and refining of meat as well as the sale of fresh meat and meat products.
 - for SPF: trading and transportation of breeding animals and piglets as well as transportation of slaughter pigs.³

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 OJ L 1, 3.1.1994, p. 3 (the 'EEA Agreement').

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(d) of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004.⁴
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 and Article 57 of the EEA Agreement.

For the Commission
(Signed)
Johannes LAITENBERGER
Director-General

³ Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 184, 21.05.2016, p. 4.

⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.