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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 Sir,

Subject: Case M.8182 - PAI Partners / RP Group
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 30/08/2016, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which the undertaking PAI Partners S.A.S. ("PAI", France) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of the undertaking RP Group B.V. ("RP", The Netherlands) by way of purchase of shares.³
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for PAI: private equity company that manages and advises a number of funds that own companies active in a variety of business sectors, such as outdoor equipment, fashion, call centres and budget hotels;
 - for RP: active in the holiday parks industry. RP manages and operates holiday parks in the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany under the “Roompot” brand. RP is also active in park development, park refurbishment and tour operating.

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 Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 327, 06.09.2016, p.7.

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) 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)

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⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.