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***Case M.8943 -  
INTERMEDIATE  
CAPITAL GROUP /  
MINIMAX VIKING***

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

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Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION  
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**To the notifying party**

**Subject: Case M.8943 — Intermediate Capital Group/Minimax Viking  
Commission decision pursuant to Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC)  
No 139/2004<sup>1</sup> and Article 57 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area<sup>2</sup>**

Dear Sir or Madam,

1. On 6 June 2018, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which Intermediate Capital Group ('ICG', United Kingdom) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of MV Holding GmbH ('MV Holding', Germany) by way of a purchase of shares. MV Holding holds 100% of the issued share capital of Minimax Viking Group ('MVG', Germany).<sup>3</sup>
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
  - for Intermediate Capital Group: UK-based investment firm active in the structuring and provision of mezzanine finance, leveraged credit and minority equity and managing assets, with investment portfolios in Europe, Asia Pacific and the US,
  - for Minimax Viking Group: manufacture, supply, and integration of fire suppression and related detection and control systems; manufacture and supply of portable fire extinguishers; and supply and installation of equipment for fire trucks.

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 1, 3.1.1994, p. 3 (the 'EEA Agreement').

<sup>3</sup> Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 205, 14.6.2018, p. 33.

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.<sup>4</sup>
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*

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<sup>4</sup> OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.