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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

The Commission has received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (the “**EUMR**”). On 23 October 2020, Garda World Security Corporation (“**GardaWorld**”), notified its offer to acquire indirect sole control of G4S plc (“**G4S**”) within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the EUMR by way of share acquisition (the “**Transaction**”). The Transaction will be accomplished through a public bid.

The areas of activities of the undertakings concerned by the notified concentration are as follows:

- a. GardaWorld is incorporated in Canada and is a security services and cash services company, offering physical security services, end-to-end cash management solutions and security risk management. GardaWorld is indirectly jointly owned by funds advised by BC Partners LLP (“**BC Partners**”), who hold a 51 percent common equity interest, and Stephan Crétier, a Canadian citizen who, together with select members of GardaWorld management, hold the remaining 49 percent;
- b. BC Partners is incorporated in the United Kingdom and is an international private equity firm with investments in a diverse range of sectors;
- c. G4S is incorporated in the United Kingdom and is a global integrated security business, offering a broad range of security services around the world.