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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

On 7 January 2021, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) 139/2004 by which Francisco Partners and Marlin Equity Group propose to acquire, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and Article 3(4) of the Merger Regulation, by way of acquisition of shares, joint control over a joint venture company named Conan Holdco AS (the “**JV Company**”) which will be the ultimate holding company of (i) Consignor, Norwegian company, currently solely controlled by Francisco Partners (“**Consignor**”) and (ii) Unifaun, a Swedish company, currently solely controlled by Marlin Equity Partners (“**Unifaun**”). Both Consignor and Unifaun are active in the provision of Transport Administration Systems software, which is sold to organizations that ship goods, in order to automate various logistic and transportation processes.

Francisco Partners, established in the United States of America, is a leading global private equity firm which specializes in investments in technology and technology-enabled businesses. Its portfolio company, Consignor, established in Norway, is an undertaking operating in the Transportation Administration Systems market in various EEA countries.

Marlin Equity Partners, established in the United States of America, is a global investment firm which invests in a portfolio of businesses. Its portfolio company, Unifaun, established in Sweden, is an undertaking operating in the Transportation Administration Systems market in various EEA countries.