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***Case M.10479 - TELENET / WILLEMEN
GROEP / LIVIT***

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MERGER PROCEDURE**

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION
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**Subject: Case M.10479 – TELENET / WILLEMEN GROEP / LIVIT
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**

Dear Sir or Madam,

1. On 8 October 2021, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation by which Telenet BV (“Telenet”, Belgium), belonging to Liberty Global Group and Willemen Groep NV (“Willemen”, Belgium) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of Livit BV (“Livit”, Belgium).³ The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for Telenet: retail audiovisual services and fixed and mobile communication services,
 - for Willemen: construction and real estate project development services concerning various types of buildings, including residential housing units,

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 421, 18.10.2021, p. 6.

- for Livit: rental of furnished living units and related services.
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(a) 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)
Olivier GUERSENT
Director-General

⁴ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.