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REGULATION (EC) No 139/2004 MERGER PROCEDURE

Article 6(1)(b) NON-OPPOSITION

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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 28 February 2023, the European Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of the Merger Regulation, by which KKR & Co. Inc. ("KKR", USA) will acquire sole control of the whole of April S.A.S. ("April", France) within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation. The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.³
- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are the following:
 - KKR is a global investment firm, offering asset management as well as capital markets and insurance solutions. KKR owns +Simple, a French insurance wholesale broker founded in 2015, which is a digital insurance brokerage platform for businesses in France, Germany, Italy and more recently, Austria,
 - April is an insurance broker headquartered in Lyon, France, which focuses on personal insurance lines in health, protection, property and casualty, home loan and international health insurance.
- 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

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').

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- paragraph 5(c) and 6 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.