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SECTION 1.2

Description of the concentration

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

- (a) Cisco Systems, Inc. ("**Cisco**"), a joint stock company organised under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, and listed on the NASDAQ Stock Market.
- (b) Splunk Inc. ("**Splunk**"), a joint stock company organised under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, and listed on the NASDAQ Stock Market.

On 20 September 2023, Cisco entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "**Merger Agreement**"), by and among Cisco, Splunk, and Spirit Merger Corp., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Cisco ("**Merger Sub**"), pursuant to which Merger Sub will merge with and into Splunk (the "**Merger**") with Splunk surviving the Merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of Cisco (the "**Proposed Transaction**"). Pursuant to the Proposed Transaction, Cisco acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1), point (b) of the EUMR sole control of the whole of Splunk.

The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- (a) Cisco: Cisco develops, manufactures, and sells a broad range of hardware and software products and technologies deployed by businesses globally, including networking, security, collaboration, applications, and cloud-based offerings (e.g., cloud-based applications and services).
- (b) Splunk: Splunk is a software vendor that helps organisations monitor the performance of their digital systems and keep them secure. Splunk's enterprise security and observability solutions allow its customers to simplify detection, investigation, and response of security and performance issues.