

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.3806 — Telefonica/Cesky Telecom)

(2005/C 114/02)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 2 May 2005, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the Spanish undertaking Telefónica S.A. acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation control of the whole of the Czech undertaking Cesky Telecom a.s. by way of purchase of shares.
2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - for undertaking Telefónica S.A.: global operator in the Telecommunications sector,
 - for undertaking Cesky Telecom a.s.: Telecommunications services in the Czech Republic.
3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. However, the final decision on this point is reserved.
4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation to the Commission.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (No (32-2) 296 43 01 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference number COMP/M.3806 — Telefonica/Cesky Telecom, to the following address:

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.