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## / Main Topics

- General    ■ Bank/Insurance/Tax    ■ Environment    ■ Media/Telecom    ■ Competition/SA
- Healthcare    ■ Aviation/Transport    ■ Foreign Trade    ■ Energy    ■ Compliance    ■ Food/Tobacco

## / Law

### ■ ■ Motor Vehicle Block Exemption Regulation

The EC published the evaluation report on the findings of the review of the Motor Vehicle Block Exemption Regulation, which will expire on 31 May 2023. The aim of the evaluation was to gather evidence on the rules in order to decide whether they should lapse or be revised. The report highlights the need to update the rules in light of the new green and digital transformation.

#### [EC Report](#)

### ■ Trade

Commission Implementing Regulation of 27 May 2021 imposing a provisional anti-dumping duty on imports of stainless steel cold-rolled flat products originating in India and Indonesia has been published in the EU Official Journal.

#### [Commission Implementing Regulation 2021/854](#)

Commission Implementing Decision of 26 May terminating the anti-subsidy proceeding concerning imports of certain hot-rolled flat products of iron, non-alloy or other alloy steel originating in Turkey has been published in the EU Official Journal.

#### [Commission Implementing Decision 2021/844](#)

Commission notice concerning a partial reopening of the investigations leading to the anti-dumping and anti-subsidy measures on imports of certain woven and/or stitched glass fabrics originating in the People's Republic of China and Egypt has been published.

#### [Notice 2021/C 199/06](#)

## ■ RAPEX Weekly Report

The EC published its weekly report for all dangerous consumer products, with the exception of food, pharmaceutical and medical devices.

[Weekly Overview Report](#)

# / Politics/General

## ■ Disinformation

The EC published its guidance to strengthen the Code of Practice on Disinformation. The Commission also invites signatories to develop a Transparency centre and proposes the establishment of a permanent task force.

[EC guidance on strengthening the Code of Practice on Disinformation](#)

## ■ ■ Banking and Climate

The European Banking Authority published the findings of its first pilot exercise on climate risk, that aims to map banks' exposure and provide an insight into the green estimation efforts carried out so far.

[EBA report](#)

## ■ Banking

The European Banking Authority published its final draft Regulatory Technical Standards on own funds and eligible liabilities.

[EBA report](#)

# / Decisions

## EC Decision of 27 May – Colony Capital / Goldman Sachs / Japan JV

### ■ Data processing, hosting and related activities

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over a newly created joint venture by Colony Capital Inc. and the Goldman Sachs Group Inc.

[Case information](#)

## EC Decision of 26 May – Clearlake / TA Associates / Infogix

### ■ Computer programming, consultancy and related activities

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over Infogix Inc. by Clearlake Capital Group L.P. and TA Associates Management L.P.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 25 May – AP / Lutech**

#### **■ Computer consultancy activities**

The EC approved the acquisition of Lutech Spa by Apax Partners LLP.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 21 May – Amendment of an existing aid scheme for rail freight transport**

#### **■ Passenger and freight rail transport**

The EC approved the modification of existing German scheme to support rail freight operators in Germany.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 21 May – Deployment of high-performance mobile infrastructure in Germany**

#### **■ Telecommunications**

The EC approved a German scheme to support the deployment, operation and granting of access to high performance mobile infrastructure in underserved areas in the country.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 21 May – Apax Partners / Rodenstock**

#### **■ Manufacture of optical instruments and photographic equipment**

The EC approved the acquisition of the Rodenstock Group by Apax Partners LLP.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 21 May – Magna / LGE / JV**

#### **■ Manufacture of doors and windows of metal**

The EC approved the creation of a joint venture by Magna Metalforming GmbH and LG Electronics Inc. (“LGE”).

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 21 May – Melitta / Hubert Burda Media / Roast Market**

#### **■ Retail sale of beverages in specialised stores; processing of tea and coffee**

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over Roast Market GmbH by Melitta Unternehmensgruppe Bentz KG and Burda GmbH, belonging to Hubert Burda Media Holding KG.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 21 May – Repsol / Suez / Ecoplanta**

#### **■ Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products; waste collection**

The EC approved the acquisition of Ecoplanta Molecular Recycling Solution S.L. by Suez and Repsol.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 21 May – TA Associates / Partners Group / Unit4**

#### **■ Software publishing**

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over Unit4 N.V. by TA Associates Management LLP and Partners Group AG.

[Case information](#)

## **/ From the OJEU**

### **■ Non-opposition to concentrations**

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Cerberus / Koch Industries / PQ Performance Chemicals – Case M.10219 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/05 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Repsol / Suez / Ecoplanta – Case M.10177 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/04 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Magna / LGE / JV – Case M.10196 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration TA Associates / Partners Group / Unit4 – Case M.10245 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Berge / GEFCO / JV – Case M.8881 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration The Coca-Cola Company / Coca-Cola HBC / WABI CCH JV – Case M.10208 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 197/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Hisense Group / Sanden – Case M.10265 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 197/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Korian / VYV / Technosens Evolution – Case M.10020 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 197/01 – Case information](#)

#### ■ Prior notification of concentrations

Prior notification of the concentration PLD / NBIM / Target Assets – Case M.10221 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/13 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration EQT / Cerba – Case M.10278 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/12 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration I Squared Capital / TDR Capital / Aggreko – Case M.10256 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/11 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Astorg / Cobepa / Corsearch – Case M.10281 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 201/10 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration KHS / Ferrum – Case M.9854 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 199/07 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Bain Capital / Cinven / Lonza Specialty Ingredients – Case M.10234 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 197/06 – Case information](#)

## / Brussels intern

#### ■ Digital Markets Acts

European Ministers had a first debate on the aspects of the digital services package, the Digital Services Act and the Digital Markets Act. Majority of Member States expressed their support to the package. With regard to the DMA, several delegations called for the rights balance between flexibility and legal certainty; and several of them called for the national authorities to be actively involved for an effective enforcement mechanism.

[Council Presidency Note](#)

#### ■ Vehicles Emissions

The European Commission is expected to release on 14 July a package of measures on climate, including revised CO2 standards for cars and vans.

#### ■ EU-US Summit

On 15 June EU leaders will meet with US counterparts. Discussions will focus in particular on trade, climate change and foreign policy.

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