

The Belgian Competition Authority approves the acquisition of exclusive control of Danone Hombourg Récolte by Danone

The Investigation and Prosecution Service of the Belgian Competition Authority (BCA) has approved on 12 June 2018 the transition from a joint control over Danone Hombourg Récolte to an exclusive control by Danone.

The concentration was notified on 24 May 2018. The application of the simplified procedure was requested.

Danone is a company of the Danone group which is active in particular in the sector of fresh-milk products. Danone Hombourg Récolte is a company active in the collection of raw milk, as well as its reception, skimming and pasteurization.

The concentration concerns the dairy sector.

In its decision of 12 June 2018, the BCA finds that the conditions for the application of the simplified procedure are met and that the notified concentration does not raise any objection.

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