

**The Belgian Competition Authority approves the acquisition of ELBA International NV by Circet Odysée SAS**

The Investigation and Prosecution Service of the Belgian Competition Authority (BCA) has approved on 17 December 2020 the acquisition of sole control over ELBA International NV by Circet Odysée SAS.

The concentration was notified on 8 December 2020 and the application of the simplified procedure was requested.

Circet Odysée SAS is a company incorporated under French law. It is the holding company of a group active in telecommunications infrastructure services and in the distribution of mobile communication products and services. It is ultimately controlled by the US investment fund manager Advent International Corporation.

ELBA International NV is a Belgian company, holding company of a group active in the provision of interconnected services and infrastructure. It specializes in the installation, connection and maintenance of intelligent connected devices and telecom infrastructure.

In its decision of 17 December 2020, the BCA finds that the conditions for the application of the simplified procedure are met and that the notified merger does not raise any objection.

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