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Market Court confirms approval for acquisition of RTL Belgium by DPG Media and Rossel

In its judgment of 26 April 2023, the Market Court (section of the Brussels Court of Appeal) upheld the concentration decision of the College of the Belgian Competition Authority (BCA) regarding the acquisition of joint control by DPG Media NV and Rossel & Cie SA over RTL Belgium SA, Audiopresse SA, New Contact SA, Radio H SA, RTL BELux SA and RTL BELux SA & Cie SECS, as well as (indirectly) all shares in their subsidiaries ("RTL Belgium").

The judgment has been rendered following an appeal by Ads & Data NV and IPM Group NV, supported by RTBF, RMB NV and the 'Conseil supérieur de l'audiovisuel'. Such appeals lodged pursuant to Article IV.90 of the Code of Economic Law generally do not have a suspensive effect, meaning that the concentration may be implemented as from the BCA's authorisation decision.

The non-confidential version of the judgment is available on our website.

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