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NOTE TO THE ATTENTION OF Permanent Representations, Ministries and other official contact points in Member States.

Dear Sirs,

We would like to remind you that in order to consider the submission of information as official, the Implementing Regulation provides that **all correspondence** in connection with notifications (N cases) submitted after 1/1/2006 shall be transmitted electronically.

"Transmitted electronically" means that the MS has to send the information to the State Aid Registry by PKI-secure email (encrypted email and/or digital signature), provided directly through your Authorities in Brussels via the Fuctional Mailbox.

Failing this, the submission will be considered as informal submission.

As regards submissions of information in cases other than notifications, there is no obligation to receive PKI-secure emails from the Member State.

Please consult Commission Regulation (EC) No 271/2008 says in its articles 3 and 4 :

"3. [...] All correspondence in connection with a notification shall be transmitted electronically via the secured e-mail system Public Key Infrastructure (PKI).

4. In exceptional circumstances and upon the agreement of the Commission and the Member State concerned, an agreed communication channel other than those referred to in paragraph 3 may be used for submission of a notification or any correspondence in connection with a notification.

In the absence of such an agreement, any notification or correspondence in connection with a notification sent to the Commission by a Member State through a communication channel other than those referred to in paragraph 3 shall not be considered as submitted to the Commission."

Thanks for taking it into account for future communications with DG Competition

Best regards,



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