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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Competition DG

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Subject: N660/2008 - Hotel Capital Allowances in respect of the Ritz Carlton, Powerscourt, Co. Wicklow. (The allowances are being claimed in the main by a large number of individuals together with a small number of corporate entities listed in Appendix 2 attached.)

Sir/Madam,

The Directorate-General for Competition has received your letter dated 19/12/08 notifying it of the planned aid referred to above.

The two-month period allowed for scrutiny started to run on 22/12/2008 , the day following that on which the notification reached the Commission.

If an initial examination shows that the notification is incomplete, your Government will be informed. In that event, the period allowed for scrutiny will not start to run until the additional information necessary to enable the Commission to assess the notified aid is received.

Yours faithfully,

Martine Ben Kaida

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