MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT - M/18/038

Proposed acquisition whereby The Stars Group, Inc. would acquire the entire issued share capital of Cyan Blue Topco Limited

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The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission (the "Commission") has cleared the proposed acquisition whereby The Stars Group Inc., through its wholly-owned indirect subsidiary Stars Group Holdings (UK) Limited, would acquire the entire issued share capital of Cyan Blue Topco Limited, which ultimately controls the Sky Betting & Gaming Group. The proposed acquisition was notified under the Competition Act 2002 (as amended) on 09 May 2018.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed acquisition will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

Additional Information

The Stars Group Inc. is a provider of technology-based products and services in the areas of online gaming and interactive entertainment.

Cyan Blue Topco Limited ultimately controls the Sky Betting and Gaming Group. Sky Betting and Gaming Group operates a range of online and mobile betting and gaming services. Sky Betting and Gaming Group offers gambling related brands and services such as Sky Bet, Sky Vegas, Sky Casino, Sky Bingo, Sky Poker, Oddschecker, Sportinglife, and Free-to-Pay games in the State.