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Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears acquisition by Eason Operations Limited of sole control of Dubray Books Limited

10 September 2020

On 10 September 2020, the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission (the "Commission") cleared the acquisition by Eason Operations Limited ("Eason") of sole control of Dubray Books Limited ("Dubray"). The acquisition was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 27 March 2020.

The Commission has formed the view that the transaction 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

Eason operates a chain of retail book outlets located throughout the State. Eason, through its retail outlets sells books, newspapers, magazines, gifts, games, toys, music, film and stationary items. Eason is also engaged in book stationary wholesaling and online book retailing.

Dubray operates eight retail book outlets in the State. It is also engaged in online book retailing and operates a café within its Grafton Street retail book outlet.