

European Commission: Prohibition of Joint venture between Nordic Satellite Companies

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On 19 July, the European Commission decided that a planned joint venture between Norsk Telekom (Norway), Tele Danmark (Denmark) and Kinnevik (Sweden) under the name of Nordic Satellite Distribution could not be approved under Council Regulation (EEC) Nr 4064/89 on the control of concentrations between undertakings.

After an investigation, the Commission came to the conclusion that the joint venture would achieve a dominant position in the market for satellite TV transponder capacity in Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland; in the market cable TV network operation in Denmark; and in the market for the distribution of pay TV services throughout the region.

Decision of the European Commission in the case of Nordic Satellite Distribution (NSD), 19 July 1995.

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