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On 1 October 2025, the European Commission referred to the *Autorité de la concurrence* the examination of the acquisition by Holcim Investments, owned by Holcim LTD, the holding company of the Holcim group, of sole control of the Alkern group, owned by Kernal Invest, pursuant to Article 4(4) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings (EU Merger Regulation).

On 24 November 2025, Holcim formally notified the transaction to the *Autorité*. Following its examination, the *Autorité* has cleared the transaction unconditionally.

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