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## Norwegian Competition Authority to continue investigation into Mekonomen's acquisition of Meca

The Norwegian Competition Authority has decided to continue its investigation into Mekonomen's acquisition of the automotive spare-parts chain, Meca. On 12 October 2011, Mekonomen signed an agreement to acquire Meca, which is a well-known automotive spare-parts chain with a solid position in Sweden and Norway.

The Competition Authority's decision means that more time is required to evaluate the transaction, but does not mean that a decision has been made on the issue. Mekonomen has initiated a dialogue with the Competition Authority to clarify what additional information is required in order to make a decision on the issue.

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