

It would be a pity if the United Kingdom chose to auction off the RF spectrum vacated by analogue terrestrial TV without leaving at least some of it available to free high definition television transmissions. We as a nation have had an enviable record as the pioneers of television and to think of throwing away this opportunity just to make money is nothing short of theft of something that belongs to the nation.

It is obvious who will be the highest bidders for the spectrum and the BBC on fixed income will not be able to compete with the likes of Sky and Virgin media, etc.

Where have gone all the promises of local TV programming who will certainly be unable to compete in a bidding war?

OFCOM need to make a detailed plan of where they see television leading so that the Nation can see just where any money that is made if spectrum is sold is going to be used. Hopefully not just to prop up the economy.

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