

**Title:**

Mr

**Forename:**

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**Representing:**

Self

**Organisation (if applicable):**

**What additional details do you want to keep confidential?:**

No

**If you want part of your response kept confidential, which parts?:**

**Ofcom may publish a response summary:**

Yes

**I confirm that I have read the declaration:**

Yes

**Additional comments:**

**Question 1: Do you agree that it is likely that the benefits to UK consumers and citizens will be greater from the MoD's release of spectrum in the 2.3 GHz and 3.4 GHz release bands than from retaining the current amateur use?:**

No.

Amateur radio has, for over 100 years, allowed keen and principled radio amateurs to operate, learn and practice the skills of designing, building and operating equipment to work throughout the radio spectrum. Every sector has gained from their work. It is important that sectors of this spectrum should not be sacrificed to Mammon gratuitously at the expense of the radio amateur..

**Question 2: Are there current uses in the release bands other than those detailed in RSGB's band plan and discussed in Section 3 of this consultation?:**

Every band will give amateurs opportunity to bring something new to the practice of communication

**Question 3: Are there further consequences of removing the release bands from amateur licences that have not been considered in our analysis?:**

Almost certainly. Every thing lost is lost forever. Opportunities will never return.

**Question 4: There is an option (although not preferred) to remove access to the adjacent bands, as well as to the release bands. What are the consequences of removing access to the adjacent bands from amateur licences?:**

As previously, everything lost is lost forever and the Amateur community loses the opportunity to practice its skills.

**Question 5: Are there current uses in the adjacent bands other than those detailed in the RSGB's band plan and discussed in Section 3?:**

There are and more thought should be given to the consequences of its loss.

**Question 6: Are there additional mitigation measures which would provide demonstrable proof that amateurs would not cause interference into LTE in the release bands following the release?:**

Radio amateurs have been operating best practice for many decades. Why would they change this state of affairs?

**Question 7: Do you agree with the proposed process for varying licences following cases of reported interference and our proposal to vary licences should dealing with the number of reported cases become too onerous?:**

This sound like a licence to revoke any agreement if the licencing authority feel so desirous by simply saying that too many cases have been reported, without stating the trigger point. So No.

**Question 8: Do you agree with our preferred option?:**

Only if it is fair and reasonable for the amateur fraternity, not just for the commercial interest.

**Question 9: Are there additional changes to the Amateur Radio Licence which would assist amateur in lowering the risk of causing harmful interference to new uses?:**

The existing regulations are sufficient. They need to be maintained and held firm.