Chapter 7

Representations

- 7.1 The Director is publishing the Notification at Annex C to allow affected parties, and the European Commission and other national regulatory authorities, to make any representations. After considering any such representations, the Director will, if appropriate, give effect to these proposals by publishing a final notification.
- 7.2 Representations must arrive at Oftel **no later than close of business on 6**th **February 2004**. Representations received after this time will not be taken into account, and no extensions of the deadline will be permitted. In setting that deadline for representations, the Director has taken into account *inter alia* that he allowed a one month consultation period for certain market reviews published on 26 August 2003, but has allowed for additional time in this case given that the Christmas holiday period falls within the consultation period.
- 7.3 Given in particular that the Director is proposing to set a charge control with start from 1 April 2004 (see Chapter 6 concerning the proposed charge control), he is, at present, aiming to publish the final notification on or before 31 March 2003. To achieve this, the Director has allowed for the longest possible time to consider any representations made on his proposals set out in this document taking into account the volume and nature of certain representations made to the May consultation³⁰. Stakeholders, and in particular those who submitted representations in response to the May consultation, are asked (if they intend to make further representations to this document), where their respective representations provided in response to this document contain any new issues or material changes to their previous representations, to clearly draw these new issues or material changes to the Director's attention by appropriate marking or highlighting and, if numerous, also to set them out (or make clear and easy references to the same in their response documents) in summary form either in a covering letter or at the outset of their responses.
- 7.4 Where possible, comments should be made in writing and sent by email to lawrence.knight@ofcom.org.uk. However, copies may also be posted to the address below. If any affected parties are unable to respond in one of these ways, they should discuss alternatives with:

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³⁰ Review of mobile wholesale voice call termination markets - 15 May 2003

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7.5 This document can be viewed on Ofcom's website at http://www.ofcom.org.uk/legacy_regulators/oftel/. Paper copies and more accessible formats such as large print, Braille, disc and audio cassette can be made available on request. Please contact Ofcom's Contact Centre by telephoning 0845 456 3000 or by sending an e-mail to contact@ofcom.org.uk.

Publication of representations

7.6 On this occasion, the Director is not inviting affected parties to comment on the representations made by others. However, in the interests of transparency, all representations will be published, except where respondents indicate that a response, or part of it, is confidential. Respondents are therefore asked to separate out any confidential material into a confidential annex that is clearly identified as containing confidential material. Ofcom will take steps to protect the confidentiality of all such material from the moment that it is received at Ofcom's offices. In the interests of transparency, respondents should avoid applying confidential markings wherever possible.

7.7 Non-confidential representations can be viewed on Ofcom's website in the Ofcom Consultations section. They can also be viewed at Riverside House in London. Appointments must be made in advance by telephoning 0845 456 3000 or by sending an e-mail request to contact@ofcom.org.uk.