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What do you want Ofcom to keep confidential?:

Keep nothing confidential

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

Ofcom should only publish this response after the consultation has ended:

Yes

Additional comments:

The segment re: confidentiality of all/part of this, above failed to work properly.

Consider everything to be public.

Question 1: How enduring do you think congestion problems are likely to be on different networks and for different players?:

They will last a long time unless the respective governments make Fast Internet facilities as available as a regular post box.

Question 2: What do you think are possible incentives for potentially unfair discrimination?:

Greed and partisanship.

If you meant 'disincentives' then the answer is severe punishment and long prison sentences.

Question 3: Can you provide any evidence of economic and or consumer value generated by traffic management? :

No ... only the reverse.

Question 4: Conversely, do you think that unconstrained traffic management has the potential for (or is already causing) consumer/citizen harm? Please include any relevant evidence. :

No ... why should it ?

Question 5: Can you provide any evidence that allowing traffic management has a negative impact on innovation? :

Of course ... the mere doing is an affront to freedom of speech and expression.

Question 6: Ofcom?s preliminary view is that there is currently insufficient evidence to justify ex ante regulation to prohibit certain forms of traffic management. Are you aware of evidence that supports or contradicts this view? :

I am an educated man and I've never heard (nor do I understand) 'ex ante'.

Having 'Googled' it ... I agree with your view.

Question 7: Ofcom?s preliminary view is that more should be done to increase consumer transparency around traffic management. Do you think doing so would sufficiently address any potential concerns and why?:

If it discourages TM; I agree with it.

Question 8: Are you aware of any evidence that sheds light on peoples? ability to understand and act upon information they are given regarding traffic management?:

Given this questionnaire is a sample of how the rules and regulations might be imparted ... I fear the worst.

Question 9: How can information on traffic management be presented so that it is accessible and meaningful to consumers, both in understanding any restrictions on their existing offering, and in choosing between rival offerings? Can you give examples of useful approaches to informing consumers about complex issues, including from other sectors?:

Simple words, clear messages and graphics that explain what's happening to whom.

Question 10: How can compliance with transparency obligations best be verified?:

By preventative legislation enacted on ISP's and carriers.

Question 11: Under what circumstances do you think the imposition of a minimum quality of service would be appropriate and why? :

Sounds like there is an oxymoron in there ... i decline to answer as it might defeat the objective.

There is no case for traffic management except to protect the incompetent.