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### **Freedom of Information: Right to know request**

Thank you for your request for information where you asked about a list of attendees to Directory Enquiries (“DQ”) meetings with BT plc. This was received by Ofcom on 6 August and it has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the Act”).

The *6 August* request follows one sent to Ofcom on 29 June 2018. The *29 June* request included a question for a list of dates of meetings held between Ofcom and BT where DQ tariff levels was on the agenda. Ofcom provided a response to the first request on Friday 27 July.

In the *6 August* request, you asked:

*Can you supplement that answer with a full list of attendees to each of those meetings?*

Ofcom can not disclose the information you requested. The full list of attendees to each of the relevant meetings with BT is being withheld as it is exempt information under section 40(1) of the Act, which relates to personal information. Section 40(1) is an absolute exemption under the Act and does not require a public interest test.

If you have any queries, then please contact [information.requests@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:information.requests@ofcom.org.uk). Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

**Jerin John**

If you are unhappy with the response or level of service you have received in relation to your request from Ofcom, you may ask for an internal review. If you ask us for an internal review of our decision, it will be treated as a formal complaint and will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom. We will acknowledge the complaint and inform you of the date by which you might expect to be told the outcome.

The following outcomes are possible:

- the original decision is upheld; or
- the original decision is reversed or modified.

#### **Timing**

If you wish to exercise your right to an internal review **you should contact us within two months of the date of this letter**. There is no statutory deadline for undertaking internal reviews and it will depend upon the complexity of the case. However, we aim to conclude all such reviews within 20 working days, and up to 40 working days in exceptional cases. We will keep you informed of the progress of any such review. If you wish to request an internal review, you should contact:

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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