Consultation on 3G mobile spectrum licenses

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To whom it may concern,

I oppose the government's proposal to take back one-third of the 3G mobile operators' current spectrum allocation, at a time when mobile data usage is increasing dramatically. The higher the level of mobile data usage, the more spectrum operators need. Taking back the spectrum may unnecessarily affect service quality.

The government has also indicated that the operators can re-bid for the spectrum. However, there is a vast difference in financial resources available to the existing operators and newcomers that may not ensure a level playing field.

The government has also indicated that if the operators do lose one-third of their spectrum, the result will be disruption to customer service. It seems strange that one of the objectives of telecom regulators worldwide is to protect and promote the interest of consumers. Yet, the government's proposal would have the opposite effect.

For the above reasons, I support Option 1 on the Consultation Paper, i.e. renewing the licenses in the hands of the existing 3G operators.

Regards,

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