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“Amendments to Annex XX to the Agreement on International Mobile Roaming Rates” under the Free Trade Agreement between Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein and the Kingdom of Norway and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

London, 21 September 2022

[The Decision is not in force]

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by the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs
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DECISION No. 2/2022 OF THE EEA EFTA-UNITED KINGDOM JOINT COMMITTEE

(Adopted on 21 September 2022)

“AMENDMENTS TO ANNEX XX TO THE AGREEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL MOBILE ROAMING RATES” UNDER THE FREE TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ICELAND, THE PRINCIPALITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN AND THE KINGDOM OF NORWAY AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

THE EEA EFTA-UNITED KINGDOM JOINT COMMITTEE,

HAVING regard to the Free Trade Agreement between Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein and the Kingdom of Norway on the one part and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, on the other, signed in London on 8 July 2021 (the Agreement);

RECALLING that the Agreement entered into force 1 September 2022 between the Principality of Liechtenstein and the Kingdom of Norway on the one part and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, on the other;

RECALLING that the Agreement has been provisionally applied since 1 September 2022 between Iceland and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland;

NOTING paragraph 3(c) of Article 15.1 of the Agreement, the Joint Committee may recommend to the Parties any amendments to the Agreement or adopt decisions to amend the Agreement, as provided for in the Agreement;

NOTING paragraph 4 of Article 15.1 of the Agreement, the Joint Committee may take decisions as provided for in the Agreement. The decisions taken shall be binding on the Parties. Each Party shall take the measures necessary to implement the decisions taken;

RECALLING paragraph 3 of Article 3.69 of the Agreement, the Sub-Committee on Services and Investment shall make a recommendation to the Joint Committee concerning the adoption of international mobile roaming services rates by amending Annex XX (International Mobile Roaming Services Rates) to the Agreement;

RECALLING Recommendation No. 1 of 2022 of the Sub-Committee on Services and Investment concerning amendments to Annex XX (International Mobile Roaming Services Rates) to the Agreement;

NOTING paragraph 5 of Article 17.2 of the Agreement, that amendments regarding issues related only to one or several EEA EFTA States and the United Kingdom shall be agreed upon by the Parties concerned, and that Article 3.69 of the Agreement does not apply to Liechtenstein;

WITH a view to facilitating surcharge free international mobile roaming for end-users of each Party;

DECIDES:

1. Annex XX (International Mobile Roaming Services Rates) to the Agreement shall be amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.
2. This Decision shall enter into force on the first day of the first month following the date on which at least one of the concerned EEA EFTA States and the United Kingdom have notified the Depositary that they have completed their respective internal requirements and procedures. In relation to a concerned EEA EFTA State notifying the Depositary of such completion after the date on which at least one concerned EEA EFTA State and the United Kingdom have notified the Depositary, the decision shall enter into force on the first day of the first month following its notification. This Decision is made by consensus between Iceland, the Kingdom of Norway and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. It does not apply to the Principality of Liechtenstein.
3. This Decision shall be deposited with the Depositary.

ANNEX XX

International Mobile Roaming Services Rates

Referred to in Article 3.69 (International Mobile Roaming Services) of Sub-section 3.5.4 (Telecommunications Services) of Section 3.5 (Regulatory Framework) of Chapter 3 (Services and Investment)

The maximum rates that a supplier of public telecommunications services of a Party may levy on a supplier of public telecommunications services of another Party for the provision of wholesale international mobile roaming services (as defined in paragraph (e) of Article 3.56 of the Agreement) shall be:

- Outgoing voice calls: €0.032 per minute
- Incoming SMS message: FREE
- Outgoing SMS message: €0.01 per SMS
- Data: €2.50 per gigabyte

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