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Til underretning for Folketingets Europaudvalg vedlægges Viden-
skabsministeriets redegørelse om drøftelsen på det uformelle minister-
møde i Hannover den 15. marts 2007 af forslaget til forordning om
international roaming

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Redegørelse om drøftelsen på uformelt ministermøde i Hannover den 15. marts 2007 af forslaget til forordning om international roaming

På det uformelle ministermøde i Hannover den 15. marts 2007 blev forslaget til forordning om international roaming drøftet.

Der blev på mødet givet bred opbakning til de fleste elementer i det foreliggende forslag, herunder engrosprisregulering og detailprisregulering. Der er fortsat en række forhold, hvorom der ikke er fuld enighed. Det vedrører niveauerne for engrospriser og detailpriser, og det vedrører valg af metode til detailprisregulering.

Fra dansk side blev der på mødet lagt vægt på, at det skal blive markant billigere for forbrugerne at bruge mobiltelefonen i udlandet. Det blev understreget, at vi fra dansk side ønsker en strammere engrosprisregulering, og Danmark udtrykte støtte til formandskabets model til detailprisregulering med både en gennemsnitlig maksimal detailpris og en forbrugerbeskyttelsespris. Endvidere blev der fra dansk side givet udtryk for, at reguleringen skal give plads til både konkurrence og innovation. Endelig blev understreget, at Danmark ønsker, at reguleringen skal træde i kraft hurtigst muligt.

Afstemningen i Parlamentet forventes at ske den 9. eller 10. maj 2007. Forudsat der er opbakning til hovedlinierne i det nuværende formandskabsforslag i Parlamentet, forventes forordningen at kunne vedtages på et rådsmøde den 7. juni 2007.

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Danish Position on International Roaming

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Denmark welcomes this opportunity for the European Telecom Ministers to have an exchange of views on the ongoing negotiations concerning the proposal for a regulation on international roaming charges.

As already stated by the Presidency, the high prices for international roaming services are a continuous problem for consumers across Europe. A problem, which only can be solved by regulatory intervention at Community level.

The Danish Government sees three overall priorities, which we have to deal with when regulating international roaming charges:

1. Prices for end-users should be lowered substantially.
2. Competition and innovation should not be jeopardised.
3. The regulation must enter into force as soon as possible.

The regulation should be robust, transparent and practical. It should be simple to implement and enforce, and it should lead to substantial price reductions. At the same time, the regulation needs to ensure a proportionate and justified approach.

Furthermore, there must be room for flexibility in the market to promote innovation to the benefit of consumers.

Since the Telecom Council in December 2006, negotiations have been moving swiftly in the Council Working Group. Through these negotiations, a model has emerged, which can take all three priorities into consideration. But there are still loose ends, which has to be dealt with.

On the question of wholesale charges Denmark supports the principles outlined in the Presidency paper and the model currently on the table in Brussels. This will create the robust and effective regulation we are looking for. If we want to ensure substantial price reductions for the end-users, we need to lower the wholesale charges significantly. In our view, this should be

done by lowering the MTR multiplier more than proposed by the Presidency. We note that a multiplier of 2.0 has previously been mentioned during the discussions in Brussels.

At the retail level, the recent discussions have focused on a model, which includes a consumer protection tariff as well as an average retail charge. Denmark welcomes this combined model, as it ensures competition and innovation as well as reduces prices for the end-user.

On transparency in prices we have to find the right balance between the consumer's need to be able to make informed decisions and the risk of creating an overflow of information. Denmark is looking forward to continuing the discussions on this in the Council Working Group.

Besides these three points focus should be on reaching a swift agreement on this important regulation.

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