

NOTICE TO BRITISH TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNDER PARAGRAPH 9 OF SCHEDULE 18 TO THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT 2003

Notice that Condition 65 which is a continued provision set out in the continuation notice given to British Telecommunication on 23 July 2003 will cease to have effect from 20 January 2004.

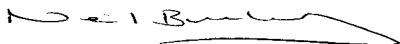
1. Ofcom, in accordance with Paragraph 9(9) of Schedule 18 to the Communications Act 2003 ('the Act') hereby gives notice to British Telecommunications ('BT') that Condition 65 which is a continued provision contained in Schedule 1 to the continuation notice given to BT on 23 July 2003, which had effect from 25 July 2003, ('the Continuation Notice'), will cease to have effect from 20 January 2004, to the extent that it relates to the markets which have been reviewed as set out in the Final Explanatory Statement and Notification to the Review of Wholesale International Services Markets published on 18 November 2003 ('the Discontinued Provision').

2. In giving this notice, Ofcom has, in accordance with Paragraph 9 (11) of Schedule 18 to the Act, taken all steps necessary for enabling it to decide whether or not to set a condition under Chapter 1 of Part 2 of the Act for the purpose of replacing the continued provision and whether or not to exercise its power to set a condition under that Chapter for that purpose.

3. All directions, determinations, consents and other provisions which were continued under the Continuation Notice by virtue of Paragraph 9(8) of Schedule 18 to the Act will also cease to have effect from 20 January 2004, to the extent that they were given or made for the purposes of the Discontinued Provision.

4. To the extent that the Continuation Notice does not cease to have effect under Paragraph 1 of this notice, the Continuation Notice shall continue to have effect until the Director has given a further notice to BT in accordance with Paragraph 9(9) of Schedule 18 to the Act that it shall cease to have effect.

5. In this notice, except as otherwise provided or unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions shall have the meaning assigned to them and otherwise any word or expression shall have the same meaning as it has in the Act. For the purposes of interpreting this notice, headings and titles shall be disregarded.



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For and on behalf of Ofcom
16 January 2004