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Subject: Additional input regarding harmonised technical conditions for the 26 GHz band

Dear Chris,

The last Radio Spectrum Committee (RSC) meeting of 13 March 2019 considered the draft Commission implementing decision on the harmonisation of the 24.25-27.5 GHz ('26 GHz') frequency band in the Union, taking into account the deliverables of CEPT Report 68. Following the agreement on a stable text of the draft Decision, a written procedure requesting the opinion of the Committee has been launched until 11 April 2019.

However, it became clear from the RSC discussion that additional input from CEPT on the technical framework for the 26 GHz band may be needed, which addresses spectrum use under authorisation regimes other than individual rights of use, which are planned in several Member States. It is essential that timely use of this pioneer band in the Union is subject to a comprehensive set of harmonised technical rules. Therefore, I would like to request the CEPT to assess and, if necessary, to develop and report on harmonised technical conditions for using spectrum within the 26 GHz band with authorisation regimes, which are not based exclusively on individual rights of use.

I would like to point out that any additional CEPT deliverables could be handled within the scope of the existing "Commission Mandate to CEPT of to develop harmonised technical conditions for spectrum use in support of the introduction of next-generation (5G) terrestrial wireless systems in the Union" (RSCOM16-40rev3).

Thanks in advance for your assessment and indication of planned activities, including their timing.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andreas Geiss', written in a cursive style.

Andreas Geiss
Head of Unit