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To

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Sub: Consultations on the subject "Review Interconnection Usage Charge (IUC) policy"

Dear Sir,

This is in reference to the implementation of Bill and Keep Regime with effect from 1st January, 2020. On this subject, we are of the firm opinion that the recent consultation process carried out by TRAI on the issue of Review of IUC is not in the interests of the consumer. It is planned to benefit few telecom companies who will earn additional money from consumer's pocket. This is evident because on the date on which the TRAI announced that it will review its 2017 decision, the share of Vodaphone and Airtel went up considerably.

We perceive that policy decision are expected to foster innovation and keep consumer interests supreme to every other stakeholder including the government. In this view, it will be regressive to defer implementation of BAK procedure of dealing with IUC.

We recommend the government should do away with IUC regime and move to bill and keep policy for larger interests of the nation.

Thanking you.

Yours Truly

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