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## Liaison Statement to 3GPP

Dear François,

ECC PT1 started the discussion on IMT-2000/UMTS channeling arrangements in the bands 900 MHz and 1800 MHz and in particular concerning the sharing between GSM and UMTS in these bands at its 15th meeting held in Cambridge UK on September 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> 2004. ECC PT1 is planning to develop and finalize IMT-2000/UMTS channeling arrangements in the 900 MHz and 1800 MHz band in the near future. Some countries such as France have taken first regulatory steps towards the renewal of 2G spectrum rights, which are detailed in the decision of ART n°04-150 (March 24th, 2004).

ECC PT1 recognizes that a significant amount of sharing studies between GSM and UMTS has already been performed by 3GPP in the 850 MHz, 1800 MHz and 1900 MHz bands. ECC PT1 believes that many of these results can be reused for its work on the IMT-2000/UMTS spectrum arrangements in the 900 MHz and 1800 MHz bands and would welcome that 3GPP forward these results to ECC PT1. Furthermore, ECC PT1 needs to evaluate very soon if complementary studies, in particular between UMTS and other services in adjacent bands are necessary.

ECC PT1 understands that 3GPP developed Technical Specifications for UMTS in other bands such as the 1800 MHz and 1900/2100 MHz bands. However there is currently no specification for UMTS in the 900 MHz band. ECC PT1 therefore kindly requests 3GPP to develop UMTS900 Technical Specifications as soon as possible, and offers a close cooperation with ECC PT1 during this development.

Best regards, Peter Scheele Chairman ECC PT1

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