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## **RADIO SPECTRUM POLICY GROUP**

### **Progress Report of the RSPG Sub Group on MSS 2 GHz**

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1. The Subgroup met once electronically and started to work on the development of the draft Opinion on the future of the EU-level regulatory framework on Mobile Satellite Services beyond 2027, with the participation of representatives from numerous MS: Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the Netherlands, and the European Commission.
2. The ECs Request for Opinion tasks RSPG to assess different possible scenarios for the use of the 2 GHz MSS frequency band beyond 2027. The first meeting of the Subgroup was mainly dedicated to structure its future work, in particular how to gain knowledge about the existing licenses and the current use of that band for MSS in the EU and in other countries.
3. It was noted that concerning the MSS operators, that have been selected by Commission Decision 2009/449/EC in order to provide MSS 2 GHz services within EU, legal successions took place, which will be included in the considerations of the Subgroup.
4. The Subgroup agreed to develop a questionnaire directed to MSs with the aim to updating and complementing existing information about the licenses and the current use of the 2 GHz MSS frequency band.
5. The Subgroup further agreed to develop a questionnaire directed to the selected MSS operators complementing existing information about the licenses, the current use and future plans. A hearing should follow, when the Subgroup has analysed the requested responses.
6. Several requests from entities, interested in becoming potential future users of the band, to contribute to the group' s work or to observe it were received. The group started a discussion on how to handle this element of work, but could not yet conclude. The discussion was postponed.
7. The next Web-meeting of the group is scheduled for the 17<sup>th</sup> of March 2023. Invitations for future hybrid meetings are welcomed.

**RSPG is invited to:**

1. take note of this Progress Report,
2. confirm that the Subgroup can send out questions relevant to respond to the Request for Opinion
  - a. to MSs,
  - b. to MSS operators and inviting them to respond to additional questions as a second step.