Response to RSPG's Consultation Document on:

Draft RSPG Opinion on spectrum related aspects for next-generation wireless systems (5G)

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BT/EE welcomes the opportunity to review and comment on the RSPG's Draft Opinion paper on the spectrum related aspects for 5G (the "Consultation").

We consider this to be a useful starting point in developing Europe's spectrum policy strategy regarding 5G. In particular BT/EE supports the RSPG's opinion on the strategic roadmap towards 5G in Europe, as set out in the Consultation. In particular we fully support the need for existing mobile spectrum to be licensed in a technology neutral way that will allow use by 5G technologies and consider that new bands that are yet to be awarded should be released as "5G ready".

We encourage the RSPG to take its proposals forward as drafted, whilst continuing to engage with Stakeholders as they develop.

We look forward to contributing to the development of these proposals in more detail over the coming year.

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