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[Sent to JT (Jersey) Limited, Sure (Jersey) Limited, Jersey Airtel Limited, Offshore Leisure Limited]

Dear []

Ofcom consultation on Global Titles and Mobile Network Security (Consultation)

I am sure that you are aware of the <u>Consultation</u> and the principal proposal of Ofcom that it should ban the leasing of Global Titles and the creation of Global Titles from sub-allocated numbers, with effect from 1 January 2026. You will also be aware that the deadline for making submissions to Ofcom in relation to the Consultation is 15 October this year.

Officers of the Authority have been briefed on the proposal by Ofcom and the UK National Cyber Security Centre and on the potential risks arising from the misuse of Global Titles, including fraudulent activity and actual harm to subscribers. Officers have also discussed the issue of Global Titles with the Government of Jersey. Officers have briefed the Authority accordingly.

At its meeting on 5 September 2024, the Authority considered the best interests of Jersey, and determined that it was minded to adopt Ofcom's position as set out in the Consultation, subject to the outcome of the consultation process. The outcome of the Consultation is expected to be made public in January 2025.

If Ofcom implements the proposal, the Authority is minded to modify the licences of the current mobile operators so as to give effect to the proposal in Jersey. The result would be that the leasing of Global Titles and the creation of Global Titles from sub-allocated numbers would be prohibited in Jersey. Such prohibition would come into effect at the same time as the ban in the UK.

Such licence modification would be effected pursuant to the Authority's power under Article 18 of the Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 2002 and condition 6 of your licence. There would be an opportunity to make representations to the Authority in relation to the relevant initial notice under Article 11. No other consultation is considered necessary in the light of the issues raised by Ofcom and the NCSC.

In the interests of transparency, and mindful of the deadline for making submissions in relation to the Consultation, I have been instructed to make you aware of the Authority's intentions and encourage you to review the Ofcom consultation and respond accordingly.

Yours sincerely

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Copied to: Tim Ringsdore, CEO of the Authority

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