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Subject: Further update on progress considerations re Communication ACCC/C/2013/107

Dear Ms Marshall,

I would be grateful if you would bring the attached update on the above communication to the attention of the Committee. It pertains to very current new legislative developments here in Ireland which I have to say regrettably does not I fear reflect well in terms of progress on compliance in this matter. The effect of this new legislation will significantly impact and curtail the effect of the proposals the Party Concerned has communicated to the Committee thus far on its intended changes, were they to be finally implemented. Notwithstanding the Committee's concerns on the adequacy of those in the first instance as reflected in its draft report, clearly this would be a further set back.

I would be of course happy to provide any further clarification on the attached as necessary. I have tried to lay it out clearly and quickly only having had a chance to review the matter this afternoon as the situation crystallised and as the relevant information on the Government's position came to my attention in the last 24 hours. I hope it will facilitate a meaningful interchange with a view to assisting the Party Concerned move toward compliance on this matter.

Thank you as always for your assistance in these matters, and I wish you a good evening.

Regards

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