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BAND IV/V BILATERAL CO-ORDINATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ADMINISTRATIONS OF
FRANCE

AND

THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

REVISION OF THE GENEVA 2006 PLAN TO FACILITATE CLEARANCE OF BROADCASTING SERVICES FROM THE 790MHz - 862MHz BAND

This agreement details the re-plan and modification of the Geneva 2006 Plan (GE06) to facilitate the mutual clearance of the terrestrial broadcasting services from the 790MHz - 862MHz band ("800MHz band"). This agreement document replaces the Bilateral Agreement made at the Regional Radiocommunication Conference (RRC) in Geneva on the 15th June 2006 between the administrations of France and the UK (the "Administrations"). This agreement specifies the bilaterally agreed technical compatibility criteria for implementation of the associated existing and new GE06 assignment and allotment Plan entries as listed in this document.

Signed at ANFR Paris 21 March 2012

For France (ANFR)

Cédric Perros

21 March 2012

For The United Kingdom (Ofcom)

Keith Pollitt

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Articles to the Bilateral Agreement

1. This Agreement is a result of many co-operative bilateral co-ordination meetings between France and the UK in order to facilitate the clearance of DTT broadcasting services in the 800MHz Band.

2. Further modifications to the GE06 Plan entries referred to in this agreement will require amendment to this agreement. This agreement can only be amended or abrogated with the acceptance of both Administrations.

3. This agreement revokes and replaces the original bilateral agreement signed at the RRC between the Administrations on 15th June 2006.

4. The following abbreviations are used in this document:
   
   \begin{itemize}
   \item NoC = No Change to the registered GE06 Plan entry
   \item Add = Additional entry to the GE06 Plan
   \item Mod = Modification of the registered GE06 Plan entry
   \item Sup = Suppression of the registered GE06 Plan entry
   \end{itemize}

5. The Administrations agree to modify or add to their entries in the GE06 Plan according to the key in 4 above in accordance with procedures in Article 4 of the Geneva 06 Agreement and to suppress their GE06 Plan entries according to Annex 1.

6. Where the coordination agreements necessary for the successful completion of the corresponding GE-06 Plan modification have not been obtained, both parties agree to cooperate to identify and implement mutually satisfactory solutions.

7. The Administrations agree that any subsequent requirements or modifications to their DTT requirements must protect all the assignments and allotments recorded in this Agreement.

8. The signed 'Channel 36 Bilateral Agreement' between the Administrations also applies within this agreement, and is contained in Annex 4.

9. The Administrations agree on the principle that any new coordination request for a DTT assignment inside the Relevant Zone (defined in Annex 5) providing an interfering field strength at the other administration's coast below 29dBµV/m (using ITU-R P 1546 1/8 time mixed path as described in Chapters 2 and 3 of the Geneva 2006 Agreement) should normally be agreed.

10. Co-ordination should normally be agreed for any station in the Non Relevant (NR) Zone in Annex 5.

11. Terms and definitions used in this Agreement are as described in Chapter 1 of the ITU Radio Regulations.

12. Where there is a difference between the technical parameters described for the same allotment or an assignment within this Agreement, the agreed transmitter technical characteristics (from the TVD file) and Antenna Template (from the PLT files) as contained in Annex 2 of this agreement will be the definitive technical reference.
Annexes to the Bilateral Agreement

Annex 1: List of registered GE06 Plan entries to be suppressed

Annex 2: Record of Assignments Technical detail in the CEPT TVD file and Antenna Pattern detail in the PLT/ADW file

Annex 3: Allotment Shape and Assignment Service Area Test Point list

Annex 4: Copy of the Channel 36 Bilateral Agreement between UK and France signed on 21 August 2008

Annex 5: Copy of Maps defining the Relevant and Non Relevant (NR) Zones in France and the UK used in this agreement