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Dear Chairmen, Directors,

Electronic Communications (EC) Act Passed in St. Kitts and Nevis

The Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority (ECTEL) is pleased to announce that on Thursday, 18th February 2021, the Electronic Communications Act (EC Act) was passed by the National Assembly in the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis. This is indeed a significant achievement for our regulatory system!

The Act is expected to be transmitted to His Excellency the Governor General for the Royal Assent, and then forwarded to the Government Printery for publication in the Official Gazette. These actions will ensure that the EC Act is in force in the Federation.

The Directorate wishes to express deep gratitude to the current Chairperson and Member of Council for St. Kitts and Nevis, Honourable Akilah Byron-Nisbett, for following through on her commitment to ensure promulgation of the EC Act since her appointment as Member of Council for the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis in June 2020.

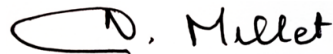
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We are very pleased to express special thanks to the previous Council Member for St. Kitts and Nevis – Attorney General, Honourable Vincent Byron Jr., for his dedication in laying the groundwork to ensure promulgation of the EC Act.

The Directorate wishes to also thank everyone who contributed to the finalisation of the EC Bill - the Legislative Drafters in our Member States, our former General Counsels, the National Telecommunications Regulatory Commissions, and our own staff here at ECTEL within the Legal Affairs, Economics and Finance and Technical Services Departments.

We look forward to the promulgation of the EC Act in the other Member States as a matter of urgency, so that the ECTEL regulatory system can have a more robust mechanism for regulating the activities of electronic communications providers/operators, and ensuring protection of consumers' rights.

Yours sincerely,



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Andrew Millet
Managing Director

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