

**Memorandum of Understanding**

**on**

**International Roaming Tariffs Reduction of  
Telecommunication Services**

**between**

**The Ministry of Communications of the State of  
Israel**

**and**

**The Ministry of Digital Policy,  
Telecommunications and Media of the Hellenic  
Republic**

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The Ministry of Communications of the State of Israel and the Ministry of Digital Policy, Telecommunications and Media of the Hellenic Republic (hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”),

Concerned by the current level of international roaming tariffs between the two countries and wishing to reduce those tariffs for the benefit of the citizens of both countries,

Recalling the Agreement between the Government of the State of Israel and the Government of the Hellenic Republic for cooperation in the fields of posts and telecommunications, done in Jerusalem on the 24th of September 2001,

Have agreed as follows:

### **Article 1**

The Parties shall encourage Hellenic Republic and Israeli mobile operators (all the operators shall be referred to as "the Operators") to reach specific agreements among themselves in order to achieve the goal of this MOU, namely the lasting reduction of the international wholesale tariffs (“the Tariffs”).

### **Article 2**

For the purpose of implementing Article 1 the Parties agree to cooperate in the framework of the International Telecommunication Union, as well as through bilateral contacts.

### **Article 3**

The Parties believe that the wholesale reductions should be reflected (if technically possible) in retail roaming price cuts for the benefit of the citizens of both countries.

### **Article 4**

The Parties shall encourage the Operators, during their negotiations, to take into account the following:

- The current Tariffs between The Hellenic Republic and Israeli mobile operators should be reduced.

- Operators will conduct bilateral negotiations, based on mutual confidentiality with the aim of concluding bilateral agreements on new reduced international wholesale roaming tariffs.
- The Operators, no later than within 6 months after the bilateral negotiations are concluded, will inform the Parties and their respective national regulatory authorities about the results.

#### **Article 5**

Should the negotiations fail to be successfully concluded within the timeframe set out above, or in the event that the negotiations will not result in the desired Tariffs reduction, the Parties will, to the extent possible, make every effort to achieve the desired bilateral reduction of the Tariffs.

#### **Article 6**

Any activities carried out by the Parties in pursuance of this MOU shall be done in accordance with each Party's competence, as well as in compliance with each Party's applicable laws and regulations.

#### **Article 7**

No Party and no Operator shall transmit any commercially valuable confidential information obtained in pursuance of this MOU to any third party without prior written consent of the Party or Operator from which such information originated. A Party or Operator which discloses confidential information to the other Party or Operator shall ensure that such information is clearly marked as such.

#### **Article 8**

This MOU shall come into effect on the date of its signature. It shall remain in effect until either of the Parties notifies the other in writing, through diplomatic channels, of its intention to terminate it, at least 12 months prior to the intended date of termination.

#### **Article 9**

In applying this MOU the Hellenic Republic shall respect the obligations arising from its membership to the European Union.

## Article 10

This MOU may be modified at any time by mutual consent of the Parties, and in writing. The modifications will become integral part of this MOU.

Signed in Jerusalem on MAY 7, 2017, in two original copies in the English language, both copies being equally authentic.

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**H.E Nikos Pappas**



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