

## **MOD's Public Response to the Ofcom Consultation on the Variation of UK Broadband's 3.4 GHz Licence**

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The Ministry of Defence (MOD) welcomes this opportunity to respond to Ofcom's consultation on UK Broadband Limited's (UKB) request to extend the term of its licence indefinitely for the 40 MHz of radio spectrum at 3480 MHz to 3500 MHz and 3580 MHz to 3600 MHz.

MOD considers that the question of whether UKB should be granted an indefinite extension to its licence should not be separated from the consideration of whether UKB's spectrum holdings can be consolidated.

Therefore the MOD is unable to support the licence variation at this time because there is insufficient information to enable us to undertake a full and proper impact analysis on the 3.4 GHz award. We would recommend that the licence variation decision is delayed until after the 3.4 GHz auction consultation in the autumn when more information will be available.