

## **Consultation response form**

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Consultation title	Mobile roaming: Strengthening customer protections
Full name	
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Your details: We will keep your contact number and email address confidential. Is there anything else you want to keep confidential? Delete as appropriate.	Nothing
Your response: Please indicate how much of your response you want to keep confidential. Delete as appropriate.	None
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## Your response

Question	Your response
Question 1: Do you agree with our proposals to introduce rules and accompanying guidance	Is this response confidential? – N
requiring providers to send customers roaming alerts that include information on roaming	Yes, we agree in principle to the proposals. However, we anticipate that this will involve
charges, mobile bill limits and where to access	significant work for MVNOs and re-sellers.
more information?	Currently, MNOs send out generic data roaming messages on behalf of MVNOs and re-sellers. However, the MNOs do not have access to personalised customer information such as mobile bill limits and specific roaming charges to enable them to include this in a communication when the customer starts roaming.
	Therefore, a software solution will be required to overcome this data gap for MVNOs and resellers to be able to comply.
Question 2: Do you agree with our proposals to introduce rules and accompanying guidance	Is this response confidential? –N
requiring providers to (a) have and publish measures to enable customers to reduce	Yes, we agree in principle to the proposal. However, we do have one concern which is:
and/or limit expenditure related to	
inadvertent roaming while in the UK and (b) provide information on how to avoid inadvertent roaming both in and outside of the UK?	How would an MNO, MVNO or re-seller be able to differentiate between inadvertent roaming and intentional roaming?
Question 3: Do you agree with the proposed	Is this response confidential? – N
implementation period of 6 months from publication of the statement and changes to General Condition C3 and guidance?	As referenced in our answer to question 1 above, a software solution would be needed for MVNOs or re-sellers to comply with the proposals.
	We anticipate that this may take longer than 6 months to implement.

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