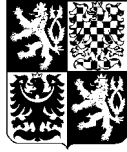


THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

SENATE



7th term

68th RESOLUTION

OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 2nd session held on 12 December 2008

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 717/2007 on roaming on public mobile telephone networks within the Community and Directive 2002/21/EC on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services

(Senate Press no. N 132/06)

The Senate

I.

Got acquainted with the Proposal for a regulation in which the European Commission, after having introduced binding caps for voice roaming services, advocates broadening of this regulation to prices of SMS and data roaming services;

II.

1. **Concedes** that the roaming services market may demonstrate certain specificities as a result of which the price of those services remains to some extent untouched by the pull of market mechanisms, therefore, the prices charged to consumers of international roaming may be excessively high;
2. **Continues to hold the view** that such a market failure always has to be proved in the impact assessment preceding any regulatory intervention;
3. **Requests** that a detailed analysis of effectiveness of existing regulation and of its impacts on market environment in the area of electronic communications is carried out before introduction of any further regulation;
4. **Welcomes** the proposed measures aimed at increasing transparency of prices of data and SMS roaming services which shall contribute to attractiveness of those services for consumers;

5. **Supports** the government position and takes into account that it has been formulated with regard to the upcoming EU Council Presidency of the Czech Republic;

III.

1. **Requests** the Government to inform the Senate about the way this position was taken into account and to provide the Senate with information on further proceeding of negotiations;
2. **Authorises** the President of the Senate to forward this resolution to the European Commission.

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Senate Verifier