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to the Commission**

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Subject: Integration of the European market in telecommunications services

Bearing in mind that roaming charges in the EU are due to be completely abolished in 2017, which will benefit further European economic integration and is good news for users of telecommunications services, fears have emerged that telecommunications operators, in view of the drop in revenue, might raise prices for home users in order to offset revenue losses. That would, of course, impose a great burden on citizens of poorer countries and might affect subsequent development of the sector.

Does the Commission see this possible outcome as a problem and is it planning for specific measures to deal with it?

What steps will the Commission take next with a view to implementing the scenario for complete future integration of the European market in telecommunications services?