

ORAL QUESTION H-0018/08
for Question Time at the part-session in February 2008
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission

Subject: Commission Communication 'Strengthening the Internal Market for Mobile TV'

In Communication COM(2007)0409 the Commission puts forward a strategy for the development of mobile TV in the European Union. 'Mobile TV' is referred to as 'the transmission of audiovisual content to a mobile device'.

How does the Commission define 'mobile TV' in the light of the definitions of 'audiovisual media services' in the audiovisual media services directive, Directive 2007/65/EC¹, and of 'audiovisual services' in the directive on electronic commerce, Directive 2000/31/EC²?

Does the Commission see a different role for audiovisual media services and audiovisual services with regard to the freedom of information and opinion and the safeguarding of pluralism in the media?

If so, what differences in the type and extent of regulation and with regard to spectrum allocation does the Commission see arising for audiovisual media services and audiovisual services?

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¹ OJ L 332, 18.12.2007, p. 27

² OJ L 178, 17.7.2000, p. 1