

ORAL QUESTION H-0169/09  
for Question Time at the part-session in April 2009  
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure  
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to the Commission

Subject: Price ceiling for mobile telephony

According to the Regulation on roaming of June 2007 concerning roaming costs for mobile telephony, the cost of outgoing roaming calls per minute may not exceed 0.49 euro (and should have fallen to 0.43 euro by 2009). Incoming roaming calls may cost a maximum of 0.24 euro per minute (0.19 euro by 2009). Currently, there are various contracts which levy a connection charge, which means that the price ceiling is exceeded. The connection charge is part of a voluntary agreement which results in lower costs per minute but, in the case of short calls, the cost exceeds the price ceiling.

Is this situation consistent with the Regulation on roaming? If not, what does the Commission intend to do to ensure compliance with the price ceiling rules?

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