

AGREEMENT

between the Administrations of
Austria, the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary,
the Slovak Republic and Slovenia
on the frequency coordination in
the frequency bands
876 – 880/921 - 925 MHz
(R-GSM)

Vienna, 26 February 2003

1. Introduction

In the framework of the "Vienna Agreement (Berlin 2001)" the Administrations of Austria, the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, the Slovak Republic and Slovenia concluded this Agreement for the purpose of the frequency coordination for R-GSM systems in the frequency bands 876 - 880/921 - 925 MHz. The relevant provisions of the "Vienna Agreement (Berlin 2001)" shall be applied unless otherwise laid down in this agreement.

2. Principles - Background

- 2.1 The Administrations mentioned above deemed it necessary to conclude an agreement on the allotment of the preferential frequencies for R-GSM systems in the frequency bands 876 - 880/921 - 925 MHz. The channel arrangement used in this agreement is according to ECC/DEC/(02)05.
- 2.2 Operators shall have the possibility to cooperate in order to minimise interference and to achieve the most efficient use of the available spectrum.

3. Technical provisions

- 3.1 The preferential frequency partitioning is given in the Annex.
- 3.2 Preferential frequencies may be used without coordination with a neighbouring country if the fieldstrength of each carrier produced by the base station does not exceed a value of 19 dB μ V/m at a height of 3 m above ground at a distance of 15 km inside the neighbouring country.
- 3.3 Non-preferential frequencies may be used without coordination with a neighbouring country if the fieldstrength of each carrier produced by the base station does not exceed a value of 19 dB μ V/m at a height of 3 m above ground at the border line.
- 3.4 Operators may make arrangements to use these frequencies in a different way according to the respective "Agreement between Administrations concerning approval of arrangements between operators of radiocommunications networks".

4. Exchange of information

Notifications of base stations will be exchanged on explicit request of an administration only.

5. Procedure in case of harmful interference

In case of harmful interference the Administrations affected shall inform each other and endeavour to achieve mutually satisfactory solution.

6. Revision of this agreement

This Agreement can be revised in light of administrative, regulatory or technical developments at the proposal of any Signatory Administration with the agreement of all other Signatory Administrations.

7. Withdrawal from this Agreement

Any Administration may withdraw from this Agreement by the end of a calendar month by giving notice of its intention at least six months in advance. A declaration to that effect shall be addressed to the handling administration of the „Vienna Agreement (Berlin 2001)“.

8. Language of the Agreement

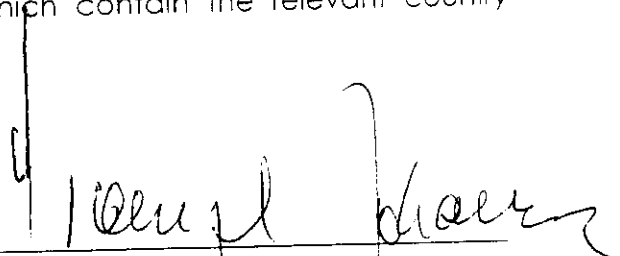
The original text of this Agreement exists in English and is retained at the handling administration of the“ Vienna Agreement (Berlin 2001)“.

9. Date of entry into force of the Agreement

This Agreement will enter into force on 1 July 2003, subject to confirmation by the Signatories. Such confirmation should be sent to the Austrian Administration not later than 15 June 2003. The Austrian Administration will inform the other Signatories accordingly. Confirmation letters will be annexed to this Agreement.

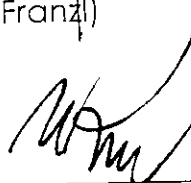
In case that no confirmation is given by a certain Administration, columns of the preferential frequency partitioning table which contain the relevant country name should be considered null and void.

For the Austrian Administration



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For the Czech Administration



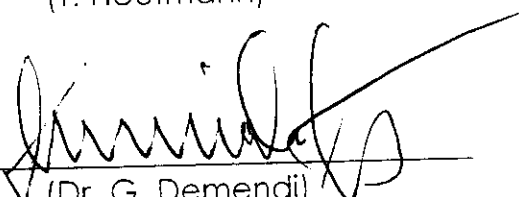
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For the German Administration



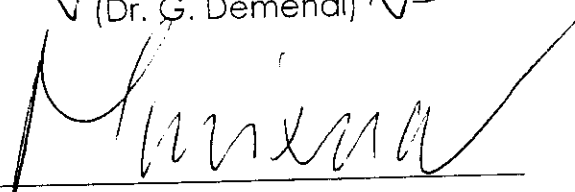
(T. Heutmann)

For the Hungarian Administration



(Dr. G. Demendi)

For the Slovak Administration



(M. Mizera)

For the Slovenian Administration



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