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CHANGE IN MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMMUNICATIONS

The European Commission has taken the view that it is not in compliance with the applicable EU Communications Directives for the same Gibraltar Government Minister to both exercise powers under the Directives and also be involved in ownership and control functions of a telecommunications company in Gibraltar.

Accordingly the position of the Chairman of Gibtelecom and Minister of Communications, currently both held by Joe Holliday have to be held in future by different persons.

The Chief Minister has therefore designated Fabian Vinet to be Minister for Communications in place of Joe Holliday. Fabian Vinet will also retain his current Housing portfolio. Joe Holliday remains Chairman of Gibtelecom.