



DECISION NOTICE 2015-1

January 21, 2015

Re: Acquisition of Columbus International Inc. (“Columbus”) By Cable & Wireless Communications Plc (“CWC”)

Background:

On December 11, 2014, the Telecommunications Commission (Commission) received an application from Miller, Simons, O’Sullivan Attorneys at Law on behalf of Cable and Wireless Communications Plc. (CWC) and Columbus International Inc. (Columbus) for approval, pursuant to Section 20 of the Telecommunications Ordinance 2009 and Section 11 (2) of the Telecommunications and Frequency Licensing Regulations 2005, for the acquisition and transfer of Columbus shares to CWC.

On January 8, 2015, Mr. O’Sullivan made representation to the Commission on behalf of his client which was followed up with a letter received on January 9, 2015 concerning why the transaction will not result in any adverse effect on competition in the supply of international wholesale capacity in the Turks and Caicos Islands (TCI).

As these transactions were with international companies outside the TCI, there were no Belonger-controlled shares affected by the acquisition.

Commission Decision

Based upon the information contained in the application and the additional information provided in the letter of January 9, 2015, the Commission is satisfied that no Belonger holdings will be affected, and the transaction will not result in any adverse effect on competition in the supply of international wholesale capacity in the Turks and Caicos Islands (TCI). CWC is financially and technically competent, and the acquisition satisfies the conditions required in the Ordinance. Thus, the Commission has determined that the application is approved as filed.