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RA INVITES FEEDBACK ON SPECTRUM ASSIGNMENT THROUGH PUBLIC CONSULTATION

March 18, 2020 – Hamilton, Bermuda: The Regulatory Authority of Bermuda (“the RA”) invites the public and industry stakeholders to comment on the **Grant of Spectrum Licences, Permits, and Exempted Frequencies** for the electronic communications sector through its public consultation process. The Preliminary Report document proposes processes for the RA to receive new applications for spectrum licences and permits, guidelines on applicant criteria, exempted frequencies and how the requested spectrum assignment is intended to be used.

Michael Wells, Chief Technology Officer for the RA said: “We look forward to receiving comments from both the industry and the general public as their input will help to define a universal process for all spectrum users when applying for spectrum authorizations.”

To comment on the Grant of Spectrum Licences, Permits, and Exempted Frequencies, select the Public Consultation link at www.ra.bm or email consultation@ra.bm **on or before 11:59 p.m. on Monday, April 20, 2020.**

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About the Grant of Spectrum Licences, Permits, and Exempted Frequencies:

Spectrum is range of electro-magnetic waves that consume the Earth’s atmosphere. These waves are used to carry a variety of electronic communications from radio frequencies to mobile data and all types of wireless technologies. The Federal Communications Committee in the United States (“the FCC”) is responsible for allocating designated frequencies on the spectrum in the western hemisphere. Bermuda refers to these allocations when reviewing applications and assigning various modules of spectrum usage.