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RA RESPONDS TO “5G IN BERMUDA”

April 6, 2020 – Hamilton, Bermuda: The Regulatory Authority (“the RA”) is today restating and reaffirming that no decision has been made regarding the deployment of the Fifth Generation (‘5G’) technology in Bermuda. This statement is in response to the following:

- Concerns circulating in the community that 5G services are being provided in Bermuda;
- Reports received from a provider of electronic communications that customers were extremely hostile towards technical teams when they were near cell sites to repair faults; and
- There were some social media postings this past weekend inciting the vandalism of cell towers.

Denton Williams, Chief Executive of the RA said: **“I can categorically state that the RA has not come to any conclusion on the viability of 5G technology for Bermuda.** Our process is to first carry out a detailed study, which will be conducted within the coming months. Further, **the RA will not make any decisions without first providing opportunities for the public and stakeholder groups to respond during our normal public consultation process.** Threatening technical workers, who are undoubtedly managing residential service issues, is both unnecessary and unacceptable. I want our community to understand that **there are zero 5G services in Bermuda.”**

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