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Dear Kai and Jaime

Interim Authorisation: Report of “material decisions” for week ending 10 July 2020

We are instructed to report the following matters under paragraph 3 of the Reporting Protocol with respect to the meetings of the Special Working Group (**SWG**) or its sub-committees (**Committees**) held last week:

- Following recent events in Victoria which saw the Victorian Government issue of stay at home directions for metropolitan Melbourne and the Mitchell Shire, the SWG agreed that it would be prudent for the main Over the Top (**OTT**) videoconferencing providers to keep in place their current voluntary measures for the time being until the SWG has the opportunity to assess the impacts of this material development on network traffic, particularly upstream traffic.
- Prior to the decision of the Victorian Government, the SWG had agreed to communicate with the main Over the Top (**OTT**) videoconferencing providers to inform them that the SWG no longer saw it as necessary from an **nbn**[™] network capacity management perspective for these OTT providers to keep their voluntary measures in place. However, with the evolving situation in Victoria, the SWG decided not to proceed with that communication and will closely monitor the effect of these stay at home directions on network traffic.

We are instructed to provide the following update more generally:

Summary of matters discussed at the Committee meeting held last week

In brief, the following matters were addressed at the Special Working Group Committee dealing with network management held last week:

- analysis of international network performance data from international carriers and organisations, including downstream traffic trends, application usage growth and games streaming data;
- analysis of recent **nbn** network performance data, including upstream and downstream traffic and usage patterns and initial data from Victorian postcodes affected by stay at home directions;
- discussion regarding a proposal to the main OTT videoconferencing providers about the relaxation of voluntary measures they had put in place to help manage network traffic; and
- consideration of the steps certain OTT video streaming providers had taken in relation to the voluntary measures they had in place to help manage network traffic (following the SWG's recent communication with those providers).

Regards

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