



Press Statement

TRA Orders Internet Service Providers to Block Illegal Voice Services

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In a step to protect the interest of subscribers and users and to promote fair and effective competition amongst licensed operators in the kingdom of Bahrain, the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) has ordered all internet service providers to block www.nonotalk.com and www.seefcall.com by 12:00 pm on 3rd October 2010.

TRA considers that Nonotalk's website is specifically targeting consumers in the Kingdom of Bahrain with unlicensed public voice telephony services, which is in a breach of the Kingdom's Telecommunications Law. Seefcall is offering a callback service which is prohibited by the Telecommunications Law.

A full copy of the Orders can be found on TRA's Website at <http://www.tra.org.bh/en/LegalOrder.asp>

About TRA

Since its establishment in 2002 the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority of the Kingdom of Bahrain (TRA) has been working with government, consumers, operators and investors to develop the Kingdom of Bahrain into the region's most modern communications hub and to facilitate the growth of the market. As an exemplary Regulator for the region, TRA independently carries out its duties in a transparent and non-discriminatory manner. More information about TRA can be viewed at www.tra.org.bh

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