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Amendment to Emergency Order No.3 of 2010: Price floors for international calls

The Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (“the Authority”) has today amended the retail price floors that apply to Batelco’s mobile originated calls to India and Bangladesh.

The retail price floors initially set by the Authority on 29 July 2010 (in Emergency Order No.3 of 2010) were based on 2008 costs. The Authority has updated these price floors to reflect Batelco’s 2010 costs of supplying direct-dial mobile originated international calls, as well as the current wholesale freephone call origination rate that applies in respect of Batelco’s mobile network. The new price floors also make an allowance for the costs faced by a prepaid calling card operator in supplying retail calls.

The new retail price floors for Batelco’s direct-dial mobile originated calls to India and Bangladesh are shown in the following table.

	SimSim VOIP (fils per minute)		SimSim IDD (fils per minute)	
	India	Bangladesh	India	Bangladesh
Amended price floor	19.00	25.00	21.00	27.00

The amended price floors shown above replace the price floors for the SimSim IDD service in Emergency Order No.3 of 2010 and are effective as of 18 July 2012.

The Authority expects to complete its investigation into the pricing of international calls by the end of September 2012.