

Press Release

CASE AGAINST TELECOMS REGULATOR STRUCK OUT

The Director of Telecommunications Regulation, Ms. Etain Doyle welcomed the fact that the judicial review application brought by Esat Telecommunications Ltd. was, on their own application, struck out by the High Court yesterday (Thursday).

She is also pleased to note that there was no finding of procedural impropriety on the part of her office. She is, as ever, committed to ensuring and achieving the highest standards of procedural fairness for resolving administrative grievances.

Ms. Doyle now looks forward to continuing her Office's preparations for full liberalisation on 1st December, 1998.

9/10/98

ENDS.

Footnote: Herewith copy of agreed text read out in Court.

"In the context of the Director of Telecommunication Regulation's on-going supervisory role under Article 14(1) of Directive 95/62, should Esat Telecommunications Limited wish to make a complaint regarding the BTE price changes introduced on 30 November 1997, the matter will be reconsidered by the Director."

"For her part, the Director is committed to operating and continuously reviewing and improving determination procedures which comply fully with the requirements of natural and

| constitutional justice and she will, in respect of each complaint, give a reasoned decision or determination." |
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