

Response From Martin Helen

The existence of non-geographic telephone Nos. is in itself an interference with the rights of the individual. I have tried telling suppliers that I will only do business with firms that use normal geographic Nos. but what's the use? Every page of travel agent advertisements (for example) contains only 0870 Nos. and the same can be said of Building Societies. Because they can get a cut of the charges every greedy company is jumping on the band-waggon. Even Doctors and Government departments. One-Tel was quite open with me: "we need the income to sustain cheap call tariffs." what a disgraceful remark when they themselves are selling 'all inclusive deals' that do not include non-geographics.