

**Memorandum of Understanding
between the Administrations of Belgium,
Germany, France, Ireland, Luxembourg,
The Netherlands, Switzerland, and
The United Kingdom concerning
Co-ordination of frequencies in the
frequency bands
380-385 MHz and 390-395 MHz**

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1. Preamble

Within Belgium, Germany, France, Switzerland, Ireland, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, and The United Kingdom, the frequency bands 380-385 MHz and 390-395 MHz are planned to be used on a common basis for the Police, Security, Emergency and Customs services. In some countries the band will continue to be used by military systems.

The application of the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) by the signatory administrations does not imply any comment by these Administrations on the sovereignty of a country.

Accordingly, the Administrations of Belgium, Germany, France, Ireland, Luxembourg, Switzerland, The Netherlands, and The United Kingdom agree on the following procedures.

2. Co-ordination procedures

The Co-ordination procedures laid down in the main text and annexes of the Vienna Agreement (1993) are applicable.

The Co-ordination procedures shall be based on the concept of preferential frequencies (see Article 4 of the Vienna Agreement (1993)). The frequency bands 380-385 MHz and 390-395 MHz shall be split into groups of frequencies which shall be assigned equally between countries involved.

2.1. Technical Characteristics

2.1.1. Preferential Frequencies :

For a preferential frequency the field strength should not exceed the trigger value 18 dB μ V/m at 10m above ground at all points at or exceeding 50 km inside the other country.

2.1.2. Non-preferential frequencies :

For a non-preferential frequency the field strength should not exceed the trigger value of 18 dB μ V/m at 10m above ground at all points on the border and territory of the other country.

2.1.3. Coastal areas¹:

For a preferential frequency the field strength should not exceed the trigger value of 18 dB μ V/m at 10m above ground at all points at or exceeding 20 km inside the other country.

¹ Applicable only to co-ordination between the United Kingdom and neighbouring administrations.

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For a non-preferential frequency the field strength should not exceed the trigger value of 18 dB μ V/m at 10m above ground at all points of the coast or the territory of the other country.

2.1.4 mountainous areas²

This section will be subject to bilateral agreements between the countries concerned.

2.2. Common frequencies

Frequencies which may be shared, without prior co-ordination on the basis of bi-lateral or multi-lateral agreements under the terms laid down therein.

2.3 Division into preferential frequencies

The division into preferential frequencies will be in accordance with Annex 1.

3. Co-ordination in the Channel Tunnel

In the Channel Tunnel special arrangements shall apply as agreed between the administrations of France and the United Kingdom.

4. Review

Each Administration may request a review of this MoU. Any part of this MoU may be revised in the light of future developments and experience in the operation of the networks covered by the MoU.

In the case of a revision of the Vienna agreement this MoU shall be reconsidered.

5. Withdrawal.

Each country may withdraw from the MoU subject to giving notice six months prior to the date of withdrawal.

6. Language

This MoU exists in the French and English language, each being equally authoritative.

The English original of this MoU will be laid down with the United Kingdom Radiocommunications Agency at London and the French original will be laid down with the Agence Nationale des Fréquences in Maisons-Alfort.

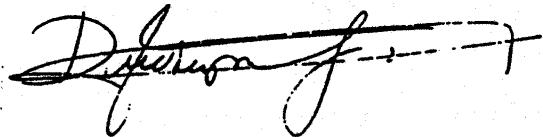
² Applicable to border regions of Switzerland with France and Germany.

7. Date of entry into force

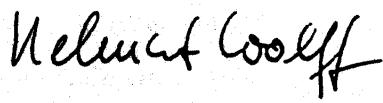
This MoU will enter into force on 26 september 1997.

Done at Brussels on 26 september,
For BELGIUM

For GERMANY

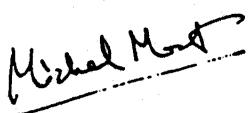


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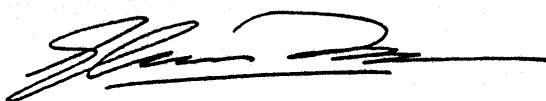
For FRANCE



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| Block | Centre frequency (MHz) | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | N | O | P | Q | | |
| Ref. | F1-(base x) F2-(base y) | (4) | (3) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (3) | (3) |
| 95 | 384.7250 | 384.7250 | LUX | BEL | HOL | BEL | F | SUI | F | BEL | BEL | BEL | BEL | | |
| 96 | 384.7750 | 384.7750 | LUX | BEL | HOL | BEL | F | SUI | F | SUI | F | SUI | F | | |
| 97 | 384.8250 | 384.8250 | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | BEL | IRL |
| 98 | 384.8750 | 384.8750 | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | IRL |
| 99 | 384.9250 | 384.9250 | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | |
| 100 | 384.9750 | 384.9750 | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | |

Key to table 1

- column 1: denotes a 50 kHz frequency block reference number
- column 2 & 3: denotes the centre frequency of a 50 kHz block in the lower and upper sub band respectively
- column 3-14: denotes the Administration holding preferential rights to a frequency block within a specific co-ordination area.
- The column header defines areas where co-ordination is required between two or more administrations. These are:
 - A areas between Belgium, France, Germany and Luxembourg
 - B areas between Belgium, Germany and The Netherlands
 - C areas between Germany and The Netherlands
 - D areas between Belgium and The Netherlands
 - E areas between Belgium and France
 - F areas between France and Germany
 - G areas between France, Germany and Switzerland
 - H areas between France and Switzerland
 - I areas between France and The United Kingdom
 - J areas between Belgium, France and The United Kingdom
 - K areas between Belgium, The Netherlands and The United Kingdom
 - L areas between The Republic of Ireland and The United Kingdom

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The administration holding preferential rights to a frequency block is defined in the body of the table. These are:

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| BEL | Belgium |
| D | Germany |
| F | France |
| G | The United Kingdom |
| I | The Netherlands |
| IRL | The Republic of Ireland |
| LUX | Luxembourg |
| SUI | Switzerland |

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