Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
Altice N.V. (f/k/a Altice S.A.),	 File No. ITC-T/C-20150603-00138 File No. ITC-T/C-20150603-00139
Applicant and Transferee,) WC Docket No. 15-135
and	
Cequel Corporation (d/b/a Suddenlink Communications),))
Applicant and Transferor.)))

PETITION TO ADOPT CONDITIONS TO AUTHORIZATIONS AND LICENSES

The Department of Justice ("DOJ"), including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the concurrence of the Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Department of Defense, (collectively, the "Agencies") submits this Petition to Adopt Conditions to Authorizations and Licenses ("Petition") pursuant to Section 1.41 of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") rules.¹ Through this Petition, the Agencies advise the Commission that they have no objection to the Commission approving the authority sought in the above-referenced proceedings provided that the Commission conditions its approval on the assurance of Altice N.V. ("Altice") (f/k/a Altice S.A.) and Cequel Corporation ("Cequel") (d/b/a Suddenlink Communications) abiding by the commitments and undertakings set forth in the attached December 11, 2015, National Security Agreement ("Agreement") between Altice, Cequel, and the DOJ.

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.41.

The Commission has long recognized that law enforcement, national security, and public safety concerns are part of its public interest analysis, and has accorded deference to the views of other U.S. government agencies with expertise in those areas. *See In the Matter of Comsat Corporation d/b/a Comsat Mobile Communications, etc.*, 16 FCC Rcd. 21,661, 21707 ¶ 94 (2001).

After discussions and communications with the Applicant's representatives in connection with the above-referenced proceeding, the Agencies have concluded that the additional commitments set forth in the Agreement will help ensure that those agencies with responsibility for enforcing the law, protecting the national security, and preserving public safety can proceed appropriately to satisfy those responsibilities. Accordingly, the Agencies advise the Commission that they have no objection to the Commission granting the application in the above-referenced proceeding, provided that the Commission conditions its consent on Altice's and Cequel's compliance with the Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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