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William Caton  
Acting Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M St., NW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: EX PARTE in MCI Communications Corp. and British Telecommunications plc Application for Transfer of Control, GN Docket No. 96-245**

Dear Mr. Caton:

This letter is to notify you of several ex parte contacts that occurred from July 25 - 28, 1997, concerning the above-captioned docket.

On July 25, 1977, Michael H. Salsbury, MCI's General Counsel, and Jonathan B. Sallet, MCI's Chief Policy Counsel, met with Peter Cowhey, Ruth Milkman, Kerry Murray and other International Bureau staff to discuss the BT-MCI merger. Also on July 25, 1997, I met with Ruth Milkman, Deputy Chief of the International Bureau, and Kerry Murray. On July 27, 1997, Jonathan B. Sallet also met with Commissioner Susan Ness and James Casserly, and on July 28, 1997, I met with Commissioner Ness and James Casserly.

At these meetings, MCI reviewed the status of the European Union's consideration of equal access, and discussed concerns expressed by Commission staff about the absence of carrier pre-selection in the U.K. MCI discussed a proposed condition to the transfer of MCI's licenses, which would acknowledge that the

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Commission could exercise its jurisdiction over MCI by limiting MCI's ability to terminate U.K.-U.S. traffic in the event Concert was found not to comply with future implementation by the U.K. government of equal access requirements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary L. Brown", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mary L. Brown

cc: James Casserly  
Peter Cowhey  
Ruth Milkman  
Diane Cornell  
Kerry Murray