



Amy L. Alvarez
Director
International External and
Regulatory Affairs
Suite 1000
1120 20th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

T: 202.457.2315
F: 281.664.9610
amy.alvarez@att.com

March 5, 2009

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW, Room TWB-204
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Petition Pursuant to Rule 64.1002(d) Requesting Issuance of Settlements Stop Payment Order on the US-Tonga Route, IB Docket No. 09-10*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 4, 2009, James Talbot and I met with James Ball, David Krech, and Mark Uretsky of the Commission's International Bureau. Kimberly Cook, also of the International Bureau, participated via conference call. In the meeting, we discussed the reply comments filed by AT&T in the above-referenced proceeding. The discussion was consistent with the contents of that filing. AT&T emphasized the importance of Commission action to prevent harm to the U.S. market from the blocking of U.S. carrier circuits by the Tonga Communications Corporation after the U.S. carriers refused to agree to unreasonable increases in termination rates. AT&T further emphasized that, as stated in *International Settlements Policy Reform*, First Report and Order, 19 FCC Rcd. 5709, ¶ 35, n.92 (2004), "the Commission has made clear that its policies regarding foreign market power abuses apply" where, as here, foreign carriers "act pursuant to anticompetitive government mandates."

One electronic copy of this Notice is being submitted in the above-referenced proceedings accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,


cc: James Ball
Kimberly Cook
David Krech
Mark Uretsky



**The FCC Acknowledges Receipt of Comments From ...
AT&T
 ...and Thank You for Your Comments**

Your Confirmation Number is: '200935105479 '	
Date Received:	Mar 5 2009
Docket:	09-10
Number of Files Transmitted: 1	

DISCLOSURE

This confirmation verifies that ECFS has received and accepted your filing. However, your filing will be rejected by ECFS if it contains macros, passwords, redlining, read-only formatting, a virus or automated links to source documents that is not included with your filing. Filers are encouraged to retrieve and view their filing within 24 hours of receipt of this confirmation. For any problems contact the Help Desk at 202-418-0193.

[Initiate a Submission](#) | [Search ECFS](#) | [Return to ECFS Home Page](#)

[FCC Home Page](#) | [Search](#) | [Commissioners](#) | [Bureaus/Offices](#) | [Finding Info](#)

updated 12/11/03