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Ref: Proceeding Number 13-301

To Whom It May Concern:

My comment is re Proceeding Number 13-301—“Expanding Access to Mobile Wireless Services Onboard Aircraft.”

I am adamantly and unreservedly OPPOSED to any change on current policy banning the use of mobile phones for telephone conversation while in-flight.

The current reality of air travel has been rightly capsulated as “buses with wings!” Flights today are packed to the maximum and the seats often fail to contain our growing population of obese masses. Having survived long waits, TSA hurdles, and the frustration of not find an overhead bin, our planes are full of angry, frustrated fliers. Throw into that powderkeg a dunderhead blathering on and on ad infinausem while in-flight and you have lit the match! I ask you—No, I BEG you!—please, please, please do not change the current policy. Please keep the ban on in-flight mobile phone conversations in place!

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