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## Submission

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Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts  
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### **Re: Extending telecommunications security reform instruments**

The Australian Communications Consumer Action Network (**ACCAN**) thanks the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (**the Department**) for the opportunity to comment on the extending telecommunications security reform instruments consultation (**the Consultation**).

ACCAN is the peak body that represents consumers on communications issues including telecommunications, broadband, and emerging new services. ACCAN provides a strong unified voice to industry and government as we work towards communications services that are trusted, inclusive and available for all.

ACCAN supports extending the *Telecommunications (Carrier License Conditions—Security Information) Declaration 2022* and the *Telecommunications (Carriage Service Provider—Security Information) Determination 2022* for 18 months while the Australian Government consults on longer term telecommunications security arrangements.

We thank the Department for the opportunity to comment on the Consultation. Should you wish to discuss any of the issues raised in this submission further, please do not hesitate to contact me at [samuel.kininmonth@accan.org.au](mailto:samuel.kininmonth@accan.org.au).

Yours sincerely,  
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