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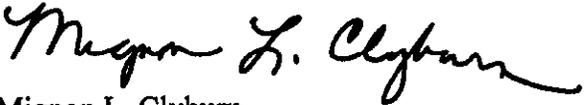
The Honorable Charles E. Schumer  
United States Senate  
322 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Schumer:

Thank you for your letter regarding the proposed acquisition of Sprint Nextel Corporation by SoftBank Corporation. I appreciate your interest in this matter and am pleased to provide the enclosed letter on this issue from the Chief of the FCC's International Bureau.

If you have any additional questions or need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

  
Mignon L. Clyburn

Enclosure



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, DC 20554

International Bureau

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Dear Senator Schumer:

Thank you for your letter urging the Commission and the U.S. Department of the Treasury to consider carefully the proposed acquisition of Sprint Nextel Corporation (Sprint) by SoftBank Corporation (SoftBank), a Japanese company, in light of the serious national security concerns raised by the transfer of Sprint's substantial U.S. telecommunications infrastructure to a foreign company. Your letter asks us to take a very careful look at the proposed merger and to ensure that whatever action we deem appropriate is consistent with existing rules, regulations, ethical guidelines, and the public interest.

After thorough review, the Commission released an Order on July 5, 2013, finding that the proposed acquisition of Sprint by SoftBank would serve the public interest. The Order is available at [http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily\\_Releases/Daily\\_Business/2013/db0705/FCC-13-92A1.pdf](http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2013/db0705/FCC-13-92A1.pdf).

Please be assured that the Commission, as part of its public interest review, carefully considered all relevant legal and policy issues in this matter consistent with existing rules, regulations, and guidelines, and with the country's national security in mind. In this regard, we completed coordination with Executive Branch agencies regarding national security, law enforcement, foreign policy or trade concerns that may be associated with the transaction. As noted in the Order, the applicants to the transaction stated for the record that the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) required them to enter into a National Security Agreement with the Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and Department of Justice (DOJ). The DOJ, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the concurrence of DHS, subsequently filed a letter stating that they have reviewed the information provided to them by the applicants and analyzed the measures undertaken by the applicants to address potential national security, law enforcement, and public safety issues, including supply chain issues. Based on their review, they indicated that they have no objection to grant of the applications.

Thank you for your interest in this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mindel De La Torre".

Mindel De La Torre  
Chief, International Bureau