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Topics discussed:

- Exchange specifically on connectivity in Africa
- Prospects for cooperation
- M has set target of 40 million been connected in rural areas of the world
- M helps customers to digitalize, do not collect the data
- Cabinet reflected both EC digital policy in general and from Cssr Urpilainen's portfolio point of view, emphasizing the role of delegations on the ground
- Update on the NDICI GE programming process in Africa