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Dear All,

Please find below the report from yesterday's plenary session in the e-commerce negotiations.

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Summary:

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Yesterday, the e-commerce JSI had its second plenary session of this year, after another very slow intersessional month with only two small group meetings (compared to 10-15 small group meetings per month last year).

The plenary had the revision of the Telecommunications Reference Paper on the agenda, that is a joint proposal of the EU, the UK, Norway and Ukraine.

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The next plenaries are going to take place on 17 March and 21 April. The agenda is not known yet. The Chair also mentioned that they would conduct consultations on the possibility to organise in-person meetings in the future.

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Details:

At the outset, the Chair (JP Ambassador) once again asked Members to focus on proposals that

enjoy a reasonable degree of support and revise or withdraw those texts that continue to have no traction.

CH reported on their informal consultations on open internet access, [REDACTED]  
Art. 4(1)(a) [REDACTED]. Ecuador reported on the small group discussions on cybersecurity and China on e-invoicing.

A number of Members intervened. [REDACTED]

Art. 4(1)(a) [REDACTED]

**Telecommunications Reference Paper:** The EU, UK, UA and NO introduced the discussion on the revision Telecommunications Reference Paper, which was the main agenda item of the plenary. The week before the plenary, the EU, NO, UK, UA circulated a room document that registered the progress made in informal discussions with interested Members that took place in the last few months. [REDACTED]

Art. 4(1)(a) [REDACTED]

Art. 4(1)(a) [REDACTED]

This was followed by an article-by-article presentation of the proposal. The specific articles triggered only a few comments, mainly related to the positions expressed previously on the scope. Several Members expressed their appreciation for the changes proposed by the co-sponsors. [REDACTED]

Art. 4(1)(a) [REDACTED]

On **competitions/access to platforms**, that was the second main item on the agenda proposed by BR and KR, there was also good engagement, [REDACTED]

Art. 4(1)(a) [REDACTED]