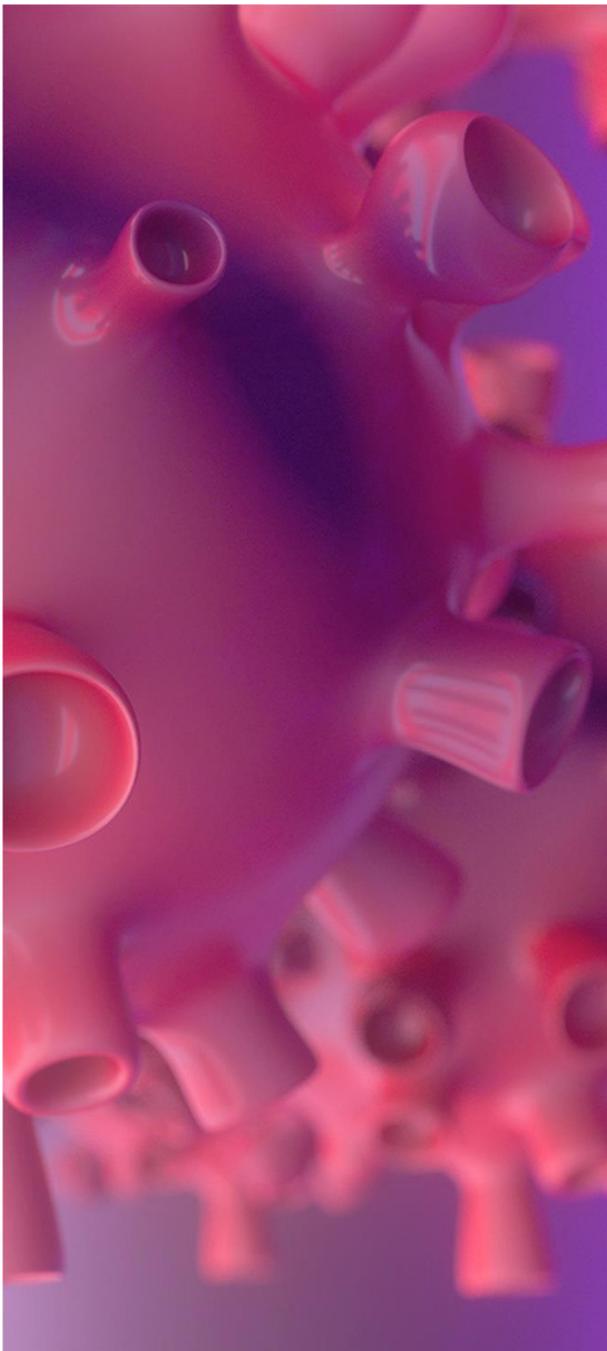

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I. ANACOM suspends procedures relating to 5G mobile networks

Recognizing the exceptional nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, the National Communications Authority ("ANACOM") decided to suspend the public consultation on the draft auction regulation for the allocation of rights to use frequencies in the 700 MHz, 900 MHz, 1800 MHz, 2.1 GHz, 2.6 GHz and 3.6 GHz bands.

ANACOM also decided to suspend the hearing and public consultation on the draft decision on the changes of the right to use frequencies allocated to Dense Air Portugal.

The suspension decision takes effect on March 19 and will remain in force until it is revoked, to be decided considering the validity of the exceptional and temporary measures in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

It was also in this context that ANACOM, with the agreement of the Government, suspended the process of migration of the digital terrestrial television ("DTT") network, which includes postponing the release date (scheduled for June 30, 2020) of the 700 MHz band, which will be made available in the auction whose draft regulation has now been suspended.



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