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Sub: Clarification on the news item

Ref.: Your email dated December 10, 2018 seeking clarification regarding news item captioned "Niger government orders closure of Airtel arm over unpaid taxes" appearing in The Economic Times

Dear Sir / Madam,

With reference to your email dated December 10, 2018, we wish to inform you that the General Tax Directorate of Niger has ordered the closure of the offices of Airtel Niger, seeking tax amounts that have been disputed by Airtel Niger. In October 2018, an assessment was made relating to Airtel Niger's taxes and Airtel Niger, based on independent advice, believes that this was done without appreciation of the facts and law and with undue haste in dismissing the detailed responses submitted by it. This resulted in an astounding demand amounting to approximately 70% of its annual revenues.

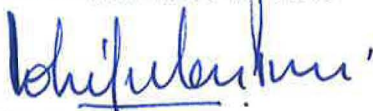
Being committed to a collaborative dialogue to resolve the issue, Airtel Niger has requested the authorities to review the issues in depth to reach a mutually acceptable solution. Airtel Niger remains hopeful of an early amicable resolution to this unfortunate situation in the interest of its over 4.4 million customers, over 500 direct and indirect employees and over 50,000 retail shops & outlets.

Please take the above information on record.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

For Bharti Airtel Limited



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