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Mikhail V. Shamolin  
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**Re: Mobile TeleSystems OJSC  
Form 20-F for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008  
Filed July 6, 2009  
File No. 333-12032  
Response Letter Dated November 27, 2009**

Dear Mr. Shamolin:

We refer you to our comment letter dated November 13, 2009 regarding business contacts with Cuba, Iran, Sudan, and Syria. We have completed our review of this subject matter and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Cecilia Blye, Chief  
Office of Global Security Risk

cc: Larry Spirgel  
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