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We run a highly successful chambres d'hotels some thirty minutes from Cherbourg.

We wish to bring to the Commissions notice our concerns with regard to the effect the lack of competition has already had on the Portsmouth-Cherbourg route.

The prices now quoted by Brittany Ferries are having a substantial effect on our business and all similar businesses in this area. People are just not prepared to pay the prices quoted. Previously it was also possible to obtain special prices for three and five day short break holidays, these are no longer available.

If this is the position with regard to the Portsmouth-Cherbourg route, then we can only assume that the Portsmouth Le Harve route would be similarly affected.

Please would you advise us to whether the Commission conducted a similar inquiry on the Portsmouth-Cherbourg route.

Many thanks,
Ted & Linda Malindine