



STATISTIC

Mobile phone subscribers grew by 18.2% in March

Annual subscriptions stand at 50,527 landline subscribers and 108,006 mobile subscribers.

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The month of March closed with a total of 51,113 subscribers to landline services, 117,380 to mobile telephony and 41,164 to broadband internet. These data represent an increase of 2.3% compared to the previous year in fixed telephony and 18.2% in mobile telephony. With regard to landline subscribers, the positive percentage change in subscriptions to corporate voice network channels stands out, with 12.8% more and in mobile telephony, the increase in prepaid stands out, with 55.7%.

During the first quarter of the year, both fixed telephony, mobile and internet registered increases of 2.3%, 19.5% and 3.5%, respectively.

With regard to the internet, there are 40,255 subscribers, showing a positive percentage rating of 4.3%

Regarding subscriptions by service, the average data for the last twelve months is 50,527 subscribers for landline services, that is to say, a positive percentage change of 2.4% compared to the previous period. As for mobile telephony, there are 108,006 subscribers, reflecting an increase of 19%. Finally, broadband internet stands at 40,255 subscribers, showing a positive percentage variation of 4.3%.

It should also be noted that the telephone traffic in minutes without internet during the month of March stands at 14.47 million, equivalent to a decrease of 5.6%. With regard to national traffic, it was 9.61



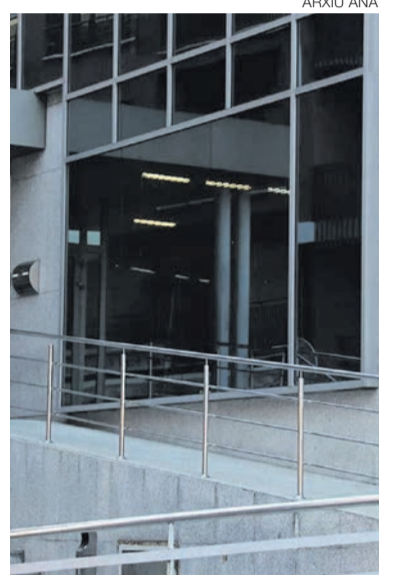
► The commercial office of Andorra Telecom.

million minutes (66.4% of the total and equivalent to -6.1% compared to the previous year), while international traffic was 4,86 million minutes (33.6% of the total and equivalent to a decrease of 4.8%).

Regarding the data accumulated

over the last twelve months, the telephone traffic in minutes without internet stands at 159.77 million, which represents a negative percentage variation of 8.5% compared to the same previous period. As for the national, the minutes were 107.04

million (67% of the total and 9.4% less compared to the same period of the previous year) and, for the international traffic, the minutes were 52.73 million (33% of the total and 6.7% less compared to the same period of the previous year). ≡



►► The Immigration façade.

The residents amount to 82,041 people

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The resident population reached 82,041 people in March, which represents an increase of 2.6%, about 2,075 more people, compared to the previous year. This growth is concentrated in the parishes of Andorra la Vella with 514 new residents, Encamp (360), La Massana (343), Canillo (325) and Escaldes-Engordany (277). In terms of nationalities, the annual increase in the month of March is 1,312 people, 495 Spanish, 221 Andorran, 13 French, and 88 Portuguese.

72.5% of the population is concentrated between the ages of 15 and 64 and residents under 15 represent 12.3% while those over 64 are 15.1%. ≡

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POLITICS

New controversy with the heliport that it's going to be built in Caubella

The acting Minister of Finance, Jordi Gallardo again in the spotlight and accused of irregularities.

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►► Rendering of the preliminary design of the Caubella National Heliport.

del Patapou. Then it was considered to be carried out in Escaldes-Engordany in the area of Tresoles, but the opposition of the neighbors caused the project to fall. Finally, the location where it has now been approved is the Caubella area.

The Massana heliport has been the subject of an extensive debate in the past elections, in which several parties openly opposed it. In fact, in the televised debate that took place on March 27th about the Parish of La Massana, the parties PS SDP+ and Action + Independents rebutted the arguments of the Committed Citizens + Democrats party.

It is not the only example we have from the last campaign. On Friday March 24th, Michel Moliné, who presented himself as head of the list of the social democratic candidacy in La Massana, denounced in the same forest of La Caubella possible irregularities in the project. Firstly, he emphasized that the project has never been submitted to a referendum, unlike the Carroi cable car. In addition, Moliné argued that Caubella is not the right place to build the heliport, in fact he commented that «this is a lame project from the point of view of respect for the environment given that the report is missing of en-

La Massana heliport together with the P3 laboratory is one of the most controversial issues in the country

vironmental impact. This fact makes it an initiative that we do not believe can be legally carried forward. Their declaration of national interest has no meaning or validity without this impact report, which seems to be blocked in the Ministry of the Environment and we do not know why.

Regarding the blocking of the report, Moliné reported that day that one of the reasons for the stoppage was the number of trees that would be cut down if the facilities were built, specifically an extension of forest between four and six hectares, which is equivalent to between four and six football fields. In addition, he emphasized that «trees are elements that absorb CO2 and in times of climate problems we do not think it is appropriate to cut down trees». The Acting Minister of the Environment, Mrs. Sílvia Calvó, would be in evidence if she signed this report that envisages cutting down more than 22,000 pine trees. It should be noted that it was last January 23rd when it was announced through the Official Gazette of the Principality (BO-PA) that the joint venture formed by Heliand and Helinord was the awarded company for the concession of the national heliport, which will last 30 years from the signing of the contract. The maximum price to be paid by the Government is 7,627,034 euros to compensate for the negative operational results. Even so, from the Social Democratic Party the following day they emphasized that the Government agreement on the concession of the national heliport was made last November 16th, 2022, and until January 23rd the edict was not made public. The PS also asked that day why the award information was not made public in November. ≡

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The helipad that will be installed in the Caubella forest, in the Massana parish, suffered another controversy on Friday. A Pyrenean media accused the acting finance minister, Jordi Gallardo, of corruption with this issue. And it is that, according to the medium, the father-in-law of the minister, businessman Bonaventura Riberaigua, plans to make a real estate investment in the area of La Grella, in the parish of Andorra la Vella.

Now, to be able to do it, La Valira explains that Riberaigua must necessarily pass through a property owned by Antoni Rebés, the owner of the Heliand Sau helicopter company and of the instrumental Helicopters del Nord SL, which has been the awarded joint venture in the competition for the construction and management of the national heliport.

The Caubella heliport, together with the P3 laboratory in Grífols, is one of the most controversial topics in the country right now. And the fact is, the Principality has been changing the possible location of the heliport from one place to another for years. First, they wanted to do it where the kennel is, in the parish of Sant Julià, but the proposal was never approved. Then, in the parish of Andorra la Vella, two locations were ruled out, in La Comella and Roc



►► The acting finance minister, Jordi Gallardo.



MICHEL MOLINÉ
PS CANDIDATE IN THE ELECTIONS

«The heliport project has never been subject to a referendum, as was the case with the cable car»

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