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### TELSTRA WORKERS SET TO STRIKE OVER PAY AND CONDITIONS

Telstra employees are readying for a work strike on Tuesday after the company failed to reach an accord on pay and conditions with the union that represents the workers.

#### 5G CLAIMS BY ASD'S BURGESS TERMED 'DISAPPOINTING' BY EXPERT

The insistence by the director of the Australian Signals Directorate, Mike Burgess, that there is no separation between the 5G core and the radio access network has been termed as "disappointing" by a networking expert, who asks for evidence for the claim.

# ALCATEL GROWS AS AUSTRALIAN SMARTPHONE SHIPMENTS PLUNGE

Australia's smartphone shipments fell by 9% in 2018 compared to the previous calendar year, the analyst firm IDC said, adding that this was the largest decline seen so far. But Alcatel claims it bucked this trend, selling almost a million devices.

# **EQUINIX TO INVEST \$118M IN MELBOURNE BUSINESS EXCHANGE**

Global data centre operator Equinix is to make an initial investment of US\$84 million (approx A\$118m) to build a new International Business Exchange (IBX) data centre in Melbourne to support what it says is the growing demand for digital transformation.

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#### US THREATENS GERMANY: USING HUAWEI WILL CUT INFO SHARING

The United States Government has threatened to withhold intelligence from Germany if Berlin uses equipment from Chinese telecommunications vendor Huawei Technologies or other Chinese firms in its 5G networks.

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