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Subject: **Question 12/1: Tariff policies, tariff models and methods of determining the cost of national telecommunication services.**  
**Questionnaire.**

## **TO ADMINISTRATIONS OF MEMBER STATES OF THE ITU AND MEMBERS OF THE DEVELOPMENT SECTOR**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The first meeting of the Working Group on Question 12/1 (Tariff policies, tariff models and methods of determining the cost of national telecommunication services) was held in Geneva on 1 and 2 March 1999.

At this meeting, the participants emphasized the need for the Rapporteur for this Question to have information on tariff models and methods of determining the costs of national telecommunication services.

I would therefore be grateful if each recipient could reply to the attached questionnaire. The questionnaire is available on the Web at the following address:  
<http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/Activities.html>.

I would kindly request you to send your replies preferably by e-mail, or by fax, no later than **31 May 1999** to the Telecommunication Development Bureau:

ITU-D Study Groups Secretariat  
Fax: +41 22 730 54 84  
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I thank you very much for your co-operation.

Yours faithfully,

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Director, BDT

### **Annex: Questionnaire**

Distribution:

- Administrations of Member States of the ITU;
- ITU-D Sector members;
- Chairmen and Vice-Chairment of ITU-D Study Groups 1 and 2;
- Rapporteurs and active participants on Question 12/1.

**Questionnaire for Question 12/1**

1) Do you have a method for calculating national communication costs?      YES      NO

If so, please give a brief description of the methods used.

Is the method based on cost accounting?      YES      NO

If not, what bases are used?

2) Do you have a cost model?      YES      NO

If so, please give a brief description of that model.

3) Is there a plan for tariff restructuring/rebalancing in order to bring tariffs in line with costs?      YES      NO

If so, please give a brief description of that plan.

4) Are inflation and money devaluation taken into consideration?                      YES            NO

If so, please give a brief description of the settlements in place.

5) If you have universal service obligations, please give a brief description of this universal service financing arrangements.

6) What is the process for tariff approval?

7) With respect to your tariff structures:

- What is the amount of the subscription charge?

- What is the amount of the connection charge?

- Do you apply time bands for charging? YES NO

If so, please give a brief description of the arrangements in place.

- Do you have tariff zones (local, long-distance, ...)? YES NO

If so, please give a brief description of the arrangements in place.

- Please send us a description of your tariffs, including quantitative data.

- 8) Do you apply interconnection charges? YES NO

Please send us a description of those charges, including quantitative data.

