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Subject: **West Africa Sub-Regional Workshop on Regulatory Challenges of VoIP,
Dakar (Senegal), 4-7 July 2006**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have pleasure in inviting you to participate in the Sub-Regional Workshop on Regulatory Challenges of VoIP to be held in Dakar, Senegal from 4 to 7 July 2006 at the kind invitation of the Government of Senegal.

The Workshop is a joint initiative of the Agence de Régulation des Télécommunications, (ART), Senegal, the Ecole Supérieure Multinationale des Télécommunications (ESMT) and the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

The opening ceremony will take place on Tuesday, 4 July 2006 at 9h30. Delegation registration and collection of documents will begin earlier at 08h00 on the same day.

The aim of the Sub-Regional Workshop on Regulatory Challenges of VoIP is to allow the African Regulators, Operators and ISPs to exchange views related to regulation, especially regarding VoIP. Specialists in VoIP will deliver presentations related to the most updated regulatory measures in several countries in the world. Status of development of standards for VoIP will be discussed to allow the participants to prepare themselves in order to obtain a clear understanding of challenges of the New Generation Services for a harmonized development of Information and Communications Technologies in Africa.

The agenda of the workshop is attached herewith. Participants are welcome to make presentations and should submit them, in electronic format, prior to the workshop no later than 20 June 2006 to: itu.dakar@itu.int.

The workshop will be held in English and French with simultaneous interpretation in both languages. Due to budgetary constraints, support documents will be available in their original language of either English or French.

The final program will be posted at the following website at: <http://www.itu.int/ITU-D-Events/events.html>.

Yours faithfully,

(original signed by M. Pierre Gagné for Mr. Hamadoun I. Touré, Director)

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Annexes: 1 Draft agenda
2 Registration form
3 General information
4 List of hotels in Dakar
5 Hotel reservation form