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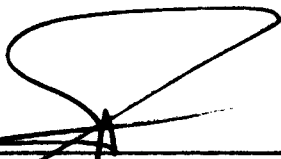
CCITT/ITU-T's 50th ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE FROM ISO

Dear Mr. Utsumi,
Dear Mr. Zhao,

On behalf of the ISO family, I would like to extend our warm congratulations on the occasion of the celebration of CCITT/ITU-T's 50th Anniversary on next 20 July. Clearly ITU-T has played over these years a key role to support the extraordinary development in telecommunications. International Standards play a decisive role in the dissemination and global reach of these new technologies. The period has also seen the convergence of information and communication technologies, not only in networks but also in relation to industrial and consumer products and activities, such as building, transportation, health, security, energy conservation, media or industrial automation. This has incited us to collaborate more closely with IEC and ITU-T. The "World Standards Cooperation" which we have set up to monitor this collaboration has had concrete effects to increase the efficiency of our production of International Standards and to share common principles and ethics.

Based on this past and increased cooperation, we are confident that we can, together, better serve the world community and contribute to making Information and Communication Technologies a key element of economic and social progress, as well as a support to the sustainable development of the planet.

Yours truly,



ISO Alan Bryden
ISO Secretary-General