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Subject: **Group of Experts on Stable Procedures for the Election of  
Member States to the Council, Elected Officials and Members  
of the Radio Regulations Board**

Dear Sir/Madam,

In pursuance of Resolution 78 (Minneapolis, 1998) on stable election procedures, the Council decided at its June 2001 session to set up a Group of Experts under the chairmanship of Germany. I have pleasure in informing you that my Administration has appointed me to chair the group.

The group is specifically entrusted with the task of preparing a proposal for the procedures for the election of Member States to the Council, elected officials and members of the Radio Regulations Board, to be submitted to the Council for its consideration at the 2002 session. For further information on the subject, please refer to Council Documents C2001/51(Rev.1) and C2001/127, which you can find at the following addresses:

Document C2001/51(Rev.1): <http://www.itu.int/itudoc/gc/council/c01/docs/051rev1.html>

Document C2001/127 (CR 12e PL): <http://www.itu.int/itudoc/gc/council/c01/docs/127.html>

In addition, the group will also have to take into consideration in its work the terms of Recommendation 24 of the Working Group on Reform, under which the deadline for presenting candidates would be two weeks before the start of the Plenipotentiary Conference.

The Group of Experts, which will be open to participation by all Member States, will conduct its work by electronic means, as decided by the Council.

A website containing general information has been created at the address:  
<http://www.itu.int/council/procelections/index.html>. Once the final report of the Group of Experts has been adopted, it will be posted on this site.

In order to facilitate the work of the Group of Experts and achieve maximum efficiency, it will be provided with a first draft of the election procedures prepared by the Chairman of the group in collaboration with the Legal Affairs Unit of the ITU General Secretariat. This first draft could usefully serve as a working document for the group.

As far as possible, I should like the report of the Group of Experts, which will mainly contain a proposal for the election procedures, to be submitted for comment to Member States of the Union (via the website) in the course of January 2002 and to be ready in its final form at the beginning of March 2002.

If your Administration wishes to designate an expert to take part in the group's work, I should be grateful if you would inform the Secretariat at the following electronic address not later than Friday, 12 October 2001:

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Thank you in advance for the active support I am sure you will give to this project.

Yours faithfully,

*(signed)*

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Group of Experts on Stable Election Procedures