



Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

Circular Letter
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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU

Subject: **Prolongation of the suspension of the BR IFIC on DVD-ROM and related matters**

By Circular Letter CR/457 of 27 March 2020, the Radiocommunication Bureau (BR) informed administrations about the suspension of the delivery of DVDs containing the BR International Frequency Information Circular (BR IFIC). The DVD delivery was suspended from the BR IFIC edition No. 2917 of 31 March 2020 and until further notice.

A reassessment of the situation shows that, by the date of this Circular Letter, the Swiss Post is still not in a position to dispatch letters and parcels from Switzerland to about 60 countries. In addition, many telecommunication administrations are still working remotely, which further hampers access to the physical DVDs.

In view of the above-mentioned situation, the suspension of the delivery of physical DVDs containing the BR IFIC will be prolonged until further notice.

For retrieving BR IFIC information, administrations have been using the ISO image available online, which is the exact copy of the BR IFIC on DVD-ROM. Since March 2020, forty-four administrations have requested assistance related to their ISO image accounts and obtained necessary support. No complaint about failure in using ISO image has been received so far.

In view of the above, the BR understands that all administrations are now capable of using the ISO image in the same manner as BR IFIC on DVD-ROM and, thus, to apply the coordination and notification procedures of the Radio Regulations and Regional Agreements.

Consequently, the acceptance of late comments, as described in CR/457, will not be prolonged.

Administrations shall send their comments on publications issued between BR IFIC No. 2917 of 31 March 2020 and BR IFIC No. 2925 of 21 July 2020 within 4 months from the date of this Circular letter, i.e. before 30 November 2020. Comments on the publications contained in BR IFIC starting with No. 2926 of 04 August 2020 shall be submitted within the regulatory deadlines prescribed in the Radio Regulations and Regional Agreements.

Please be informed that the BR is constantly monitoring the situation and will resume the publication of BR IFIC on DVD-ROM as soon as the postal services restart normal operations.

The BR remains at the disposal of your Administration via the brmail@itu.int address for any clarification or assistance you may require on the matters of this Circular Letter.

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