



## Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

Circular Letter  
**CR/505**

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**To Administrations of Member States of the ITU**

**Subject: Cessation of availability of draft AP30-30A/E Part D and draft AP30-30A/F/D databases in BR IFIC before the publication of AP30-30A/E Part D and AP30-30A/F/D Special Sections in accordance with the provisions of Appendices 30 and 30A**

Currently the Radiocommunication Bureau, upon expiry of the deadline for comments and based on its records, creates either a draft AP30-30A/E Part D database for a satellite network submitted under Section 4.2 of Article 4 of Appendices **30** and **30A**, or a draft AP30-30A/F/D database for a network under Article 2A of those Appendices in Region 2 (The process is hereinafter referred to as *the draft Part D process*, and the databases are referred to as the *draft Part D databases*).

These databases include lists of the administrations, from which the Bureau has received a disagreement within the regulatory four-month period, without delay unless a request for assistance is received.

Before proceeding with the official publications of the above information in Special Sections, the Bureau sends a telefax requesting the notifying administration of the satellite network to inform it of any additional comments concerning disagreements received from the affected administrations, which may have not been copied to the Bureau.

The notifying administration is expected to update accordingly the draft Part D database using the SpaceCom software and return it to the Bureau within 30 days of the date of dispatch of the draft Part D information telefax. This draft Part D process, which is not required by Appendices **30** and **30A** of the Radio Regulations, has been introduced by the Bureau in order to provide an opportunity for the notifying administration to check comments from other administrations and add those not received by the Bureau before the official publications (AP30-30A/E Part D and AP30-30A/F/D (for Region 2)).

During the period 2003-2024, out of 219 satellite networks for which a Special Section AP30-30A/E Part D or AP30-30A/F/D (for Region 2) was published and a draft Part D information telefax and database were sent, the Bureau received feedback on draft Part D information for only 49 satellite networks pertaining to 7 notifying administrations. For all these cases, the Bureau's findings were validated through the SpaceCom software without any request for modification or addition.

It is also worth noting that a similar process was in place for CR/D special sections and WRC-19 endorsed an action of the Bureau to cease the availability of draft CR/D databases in BR IFIC.

The Bureau therefore understands that administrations are now familiar with the SpaceCom software and rarely make a mistake in submitting their comments to the Bureau, especially with the introduction of the e-Submission system.

In view of this fact and considering the significant resources of the Bureau required for this process, the draft Part D process allowing the notifying administration to verify received comments before the official publications is deemed unnecessary, and it will be no longer implemented by the Bureau for satellite networks published after 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024.

This change will not only reduce the Bureau's workload but also speed up the whole Part D publication process. If there is any request from an administration for modification/addition to the list of disagreements received by the Bureau, such request will be treated as a modification to the publication.

The Bureau remains at your disposal, via the [brmail@itu.int](mailto:brmail@itu.int) address, for any clarification or assistance you may require on matters related to this circular letter.

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