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1 FINANCE

1.1 Budget

RESOLUTION 1405 (C21)

Biennial budget of the International Telecommunication Union for 2022-2023

The ITU Council,

in view of

the provisions of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union,

bearing in mind

- a) the provisions of Decision 5 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on the Revenue and Expenses of the Union for the period 2020-2023, which specifies that the contributory unit for Member States for the years 2022-2023 shall not exceed CHF 318,000;
- b) the provisions of Article 11 of the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules of the Union relating to the transfers of appropriations,

resolves to approve

the biennial budget of the Union for 2022-2023, amounting to CHF 161,961,000 for 2022 and to CHF 163,194,000 for 2023, or CHF 325,155,000 for the biennium 2022-2023, appropriated as follows:

		CHF(000)	
	Estimates 2022	Estimates 2023	Total 2022-2023
1 - General Secretariat	91'396	89'887	181'283
2 - Radiocommunication Sector	28'883	32'455	61'338
3 - Telecommunication Standardization Sector	13'894	13'195	27'089
4 - Telecommunication Development Sector	27'368	27'237	54'605
5 - COVID-19 Crisis Management	420	420	840
TOTAL	161'961	163'194	325'155

further resolves

- to set the amount of the annual contributory unit for 2022 and 2023 at CHF 318,000 on the basis of the class of contribution chosen by Member States under No. 160 of the Constitution and No. 468 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, i.e., on the basis of a total of 343 11/16 units;
- to set at CHF 63,600 the annual value of the contributory unit for 2022 and 2023 for defraying the expenses of meetings of the Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R), the Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) and the Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) payable by Sector Members, in accordance with No. 480 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union;
- 3 to set the financial contribution for Associates as follows:
 - a) CHF 10,600 for Associates participating in the work of ITU-T and ITU-R;
 - b) CHF 3,975 for Associates participating in the work of ITU-D;
 - c) CHF 1,987.50 for Associates from developing countries participating in the work of ITU-D;
- 4 to set the annual fee for academia, universities and their associated research establishments as follows:
 - a) CHF 3,975 for organizations from developed countries participating in the work of the three Sectors;
 - b) CHF 1,987.50 for organizations from developing countries participating in the work of the three Sectors;
- to authorize the Secretary-General to adjust the appropriations in relation to the items of expenses in a) and b) below in accordance with the incurred changes through the use of the Reserve Account, and provided that the Reserve Account is kept at the level prescribed in Decision 5 (Rev. Dubai, 2018):
 - a) increases in salary scales, pension contributions and allowances, including post adjustments, applicable to Geneva, as adopted by the United Nations common system;
 - b) fluctuations in the exchange rate between the US dollar and the Swiss franc in so far as this affects the staff costs for those staff members on United Nations scales;
 - to grant the Secretary-General for the 2022-2023 biennium, with respect to Rule 6.1 of the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules, the necessary flexibility to compensate overspend on categories 1 and 2 (Staff costs) from savings on categories 3 to 9 (Non-staff costs) and make the necessary transfers, if so needed;
- 6 to authorize to balance the 2022-2023 accounts, should the need arise, from surplus in revenue;
- to instruct the Secretary-General to transfer CHF 1,000,000 from the Reserve Account in January 2022 to the ASHI fund in order to address the unfunded long-term liabilities.

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Table 1 *Planned Expenses by Sector*

	Actuals 2018-2019	Budget 2020-2021	Estimates 2022	Estimates 2023	Total 2022-2023
1 - General Secretariat	166'050	183'074	91'396	89'887	181'283
2 - Radiocommunication Sector	53'092	59'527	28'883	32'455	61'338
3 - Telecommunication Standardization Sector	26'699	26'983	13'894	13'195	27'089
4 - Telecommunication Development Sector	54'030	60'960	27'368	27'237	54'605
5 - COVID-19 Crisis Management			420	420	840
6 - Expenses not foreseen in the budget	4'882				0
TOTAL	304'753	330'544	161'961	163'194	325'155

Table 2
Planned Revenue by Source

Planned Revenue by Source						
		Actuals	/ Budget \	Estimates	Estimates	Total
		2018-2019	2020-2021	2022	2023	2022-2023
A. Assessed contributions A.1 Members States'contributions A.2 Sector Members' contributions		218'466	218'586	109'293	109'293	218'586
 Radiocommunication Sector Telecommunication Standardization Telecommunication Development Se 		12'815 12'594 2'983	12'624 12'394 2'910	6'314 6'157 1'352	6'314 6'157 1'352	12'628 12'314 2'704
Total Sector Members A.3 Associates - Radiocommunication Sector - Telecommunication Standardization	n Sector	28'392 456 3'314	27'928 446 3'328	13'823 220 1'932	13'823 220 1'932	27'646 440 3'864
- Telecommunication Development Se		71	64	44	44	88
Total Associates A.4 Academia A.5 Members States' contributions to co	nferences	3'841 748 230	3'838 752	2'196 398	2'196 398	4'392 796
Total assessed contributions		251'677	251'104	125'710	125'710	251'420
B. Cost recovery B.1 Project support cost revenue		841	2'750	1'000	1'000	2'000
B.2 Sales of publications		29'479	38'000	15'500	15'500	31'000
B.3 Products and services under cost reconstruction - UIFN - TELECOM - Satellite network filing - Other Cost recovery revenue	,	1'036 2'500 31'153 33 34'722	1'000 3'000 31'000	500 1'500 15'000	500 1'500 18'000	1'000 3'000 33'000
Total products and services under co	strecovery	65'042	75'750	33'500	36'500	70'000
Total cost recovery C. Revenue from interest		785	600	300	300	600
D. Other revenue		3'104	200	200	200	
Subtotal		320'608	327'654	159'710	162'710	322'420
Withdrawal/Payment from/to the Reserve Payment into the ICT Fund Payment into the Building Fund Savings from budget implementation	e Account*		-1'469 4'359	1'469 -500 -750 2'032	-500 -750 1'734	1'469 -1'000 -1'500 3'766
TOTAL		320'608	330'544	161'961	163'194	325'155
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^{*)} WTSA deferment from 2020 to 2022

Table 3
General Secretariat
Planned Expenses by Section

		8				
		Actuals	Budget	Estimates	Estimates	Total
		2018-2019	2020-2021	2022	2023	2022-2023
Section 1.1	Plenipotentiary Conference	1'303		1'411		1'411
Section 1.2	World Telecommunication Policy Forum	49	306			
Castian 1.2	Model Committee the Information Conict.	105	450	F0	F0.	100
Section 1.3	World Summit on the Information Society	105	150	50	50	100
Section 2.1	Council, Council Working Groups and Expert Groups	1'064	1'655	689	676	1'365
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Section 7	Activities and programmes	18'748	1'130	565	565	1'130
Section 9	Secretary-General's Office and Departments	144'781	179'833	88'681	88'596	177'277
	- ITU Common expenses		27'162	11'291	11'261	22'552
	- Office of the Secretary-General and Deputy Secretary-General*	20'331	20'320	10'748	10'748	21'496
	- Strategic Planning and Membership Department	16'003	16'524	8'514	8'514	17'028
	- Conferences and Publications Department	42'741	47'017	23'469	23'443	46'912
	- Human Resources Management Department	11'823	11'070	5'801	5'801	11'602
	- Financial Resources Management Department	16'651	18'112	8'879	8'879	17'758
	- Information Services Department	37'232	39'628	19'979	19'950	39'929
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TOTAL		166'050	183'074	91'396	89'887	181'283

^{*)} Including Facilities Management Division, Legal Affairs Unit and Internal Auditor

Table 4General Secretariat 2022-2023
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000) Secretary-General's Office and Departments

	Plenipotentiary Conference	on the Information Society	Council, Council Working Groups and Expert Groups	Activities and programmes	ITU Common expenses	Office of the Secretary- General and Deputy Secretary- General*	Strategic Planning and Membership Department	Conferences and Publications Department	Human Resources Managt. Department	Financial Resources Managt. Department	Information Services Department	Total
1 - Staff costs	1'112	0	692	0	500	10'166	12'660	34'921	8'088	13'394	20'317	101'850
2 - Other staff costs	18	0	16	0	12'700	2'808	3'686	8'917	2'248	3'782	5'896	40'071
3 - Travel on duty	123	0	582	0	0	564	300	70	128	260	96	2'123
4 - Contractual services	147	100	24	1'050	1'700	500	218	1'802	870	126	7'102	13'639
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment 6 - Materials and supplies	6	0	25 3	0	200	4'142 398	20 52	444 362	2 70	0	5'014 846	9'847 1'909
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	C	0	3	0	0	416	90	296	56	102	654	1'617
8 - Public and internal service utilities		0	0	0	1'490	2'480	0	70	0	0	0	4'040
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	5	0	20	0	5'962	22	2	30	140	2	4	6'187
TOTAL	1'411	100	1'365	1'130	22'552	21'496	17'028	46'912	11'602	17'758	39'929	181'283

^{*}including Facilities Management Division, Legal Affairs Unit and Internal Auditor

Table 4-1
General Secretariat 2022
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

							Secretary-Gei	neral's Office an	d Departments			
	Plenipotentiary Conference	World Summit on the Information Society	Council, Council Working Groups and Expert Groups	Activities and programmes	ITU Common expenses	Office of the Secretary- General and Deputy Secretary- General*	Strategic Planning and Membership Department	Conferences and Publications Department	Human Resources Managt. Department	Financial Resources Managt. Department	Information Services Department	Total
1 - Staff costs	1'112		353		250	5'083	6'331	17'502	4'044	6'697	10'170	51'542
2 - Other staff costs	18		8		6'350	1'404	1'842	4'469	1'124	1'891	2'951	20'057
3 - Travel on duty	123		291			282	150	35	64	130	48	1'123
4 - Contractual services	147	50	24	525	850	250	109	862	435	63	3'551	6'866
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment					100	2'071	10	222	1		2'507	4'911
6 - Materials and supplies	6		3	40		199	26	181	35	46	423	959
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						208	45	148	28	51	327	807
8 - Public and internal service utilities					760	1'240		35				2'035
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	5		10		2'981	11	1	15	70	1	2	3'096
TOTAL	1'411	50	689	565	11'291	10'748	8'514	23'469	5'801	8'879	19'979	91'396

^{*}including Facilities Management Division, Legal Affairs Unit and Internal Auditor

Table 4-2General Secretariat 2023
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)
Secretary-General's Office and Departments

	Plenipotentiary Conference	World Summit on the Information Society	Council, Council Working Groups and Expert Groups	Activities and programmes	ITU Common expenses	Office of the Secretary- General and Deputy Secretary- General*	Strategic Planning and Membership Department	Conferences and Publications Department	Human Resources Managt. Department	Financial Resources Managt. Department	Information Services Department	Total
1 - Staff costs			339		250	5'083	6'329	17'419	4'044	6'697	10'147	50'308
2 - Other staff costs			8		6'350	1'404	1'844	4'448	1'124	1'891	2'945	20'014
3 - Travel on duty			291			282	150	35	64	130	48	1'000
4 - Contractual services		50		525	850	250	109	940	435	63	3'551	6'773
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment			25		100	2'071	10	222	1		2'507	4'936
6 - Materials and supplies				40		199	26	181	35	46	423	950
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment			3			208	45	148	28	51	327	810
8 - Public and internal service utilities					730	1'240		35				2'005
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous			10		2'981	11	1	15	70	1	2	3'091
TOTAL	0	50	676	565	11'261	10'748	8'514	23'443	5'801	8'879	19'950	89'887

^{*}including Facilities Management Division, Legal Affairs Unit and Internal Auditor

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Table 5
Radiocommunication Sector
Planned Expenses by Section

		Actuals	Budget	Estimates	Estimates	Total
		2018-2019	2020-2021	2022	2023	2022-2023
Section 3.1	World Radiocommunication Conferences	1'506			2'449	2'449
Section 3.2	Radiocommunication Assemblies	342			402	402
Section 4.1	Regional Radiocommunication Conferences					
Section 5.1	Radio Regulations Board	720	962	452	452	904
Section 5.2	Radiocommunication Advisory Group	67	106	63	69	132
Section 6	Study Group Meetings	1'052	1'462	383	1'160	1'543
Section 7	Activities and Programmes	486	1'295	350	350	700
Section 8	Seminars and Workshops	161	780	388	388	776
Section 9	Bureau	48'758	54'922	27'247	27'185	54'432
	- Common expenses	1'361	2'874	1'244	1'244	2'488
	- Office of the Director	1'658	1'612	1'018	1'018	2'036
	- Departments	45'739	50'436	24'985	24'923	49'908
TOTAL		53'092	59'527	28'883	32'455	61'338

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Table 6Radiocommunication Sector 2022-2023
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)

Radiocommunication Bureau

	Conferences and assemblies	Radio Regulations Board	Radiocom- munication Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs	2'164	332	114	1'023	0	258	0	1'440	38'634	43'965
2 - Other staff costs	73	16	8	25	0	16	0	396	11'274	11'808
3 - Travel on duty	225	538	0	130	0	410	900	200	0	2'403
4 - Contractual services	140	0	3	140	700	32	510	0	0	1'525
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment	220	0	0	195	0	36	80	0	0	531
6 - Materials and supplies	12	10	3	17	0	3	60	0	0	105
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	4	0	0	0	0	5	918	0	0	927
8 - Public and internal service utilities		4	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	10
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	13	4	0	13	0	14	20	0	0	64
TOTAL	2'851	904	132	1'543	700	776	2'488	2'036	49'908	61'338

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Table 6-1Radiocommunication Sector 2022
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)

Radiocommunication Bureau

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	Conferences and assemblies	Radio Regulations Board	Radiocom- munication Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs		166	56	201		129		720	19'342	20'614
2 - Other staff costs		8	4	8		8		198	5'643	5'869
3 - Travel on duty		269		65		205	450	100		1'089
4 - Contractual services				40	350	16	255			661
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment				50		18	40			108
6 - Materials and supplies		5	1	10		2	30			48
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	700000000000000000000000000000000000000					2	459			461
8 - Public and internal service utilities		2	2			1				5
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous		2		9		7	10			28
TOTAL		452	63	383	350	388	1'244	1'018	24'985	28'883

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Table 6-2Radiocommunication Sector 2023
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

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Radiocommunication Bureau

	Conferences and assemblies	Radio Regulations Board	Radiocom- munication Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs	2'164	166	58	822		129		720	19'292	23'351
2 - Other staff costs	73	8	4	17		8		198	5'631	5'939
3 - Travel on duty	225	269		65		205	450	100		1'314
4 - Contractual services	140		3	100	350	16	255			864
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment	220			145		18	40			423
6 - Materials and supplies	12	5	2	7		1	30			57
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	4					3	459			466
8 - Public and internal service utilities		2	2			1				5
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	13	2		4		7	10			36
TOTAL	2'851	452	69	1'160	350	388	1'244	1'018	24'923	32'455

Table 7 *Telecommunication Standardization Sector Planned Expenses by Section*

		Actuals 2018-2019	Budget 2020-2021	Estimates 2022	Estimates 2023	Total 2022-2023
Section 3.1	World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly and preparatory meetings		275	699	0	699
Section 5	Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group	132	198	91	91	182
Section 6	Study Group Meetings	2'390	2'394	1'180	1'180	2'360
Section 7	Activities and Programmes	397	400	200	200	400
Section 8	Seminars and Workshops	575	600	260	260	520
Section 9	Bureau - Common expenses - Office of the Director - Departments	23'205 815 1'459 20'931	23'116 914 1'500 20'702	11'464 230 1'132 10'102	11'464 230 1'132 10'102	22'928 460 2'264 20'204
TOTAL		26'699	26'983	13'894	13'195	27'089

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Table 8Telecommunication Standardization Sector 2022-2023
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

Telecommunication Standardization Bureau

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	World Telecom. Standardization Assembly	Telecom. Standardization Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs	472	126	1'194	0	40	0	1'648	15'484	18'964
2 - Other staff costs	8	8	26	0	0	0	496	4'540	5'078
3 - Travel on duty	120	40	940	0	360	0	100	120	1'680
4 - Contractual services	50	8	180	400	80	280	20	60	1'078
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment	30	0	20	0	20	0	0	0	70
6 - Materials and supplies	10	0	0	0	0	60	0	0	70
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment		0	0	0	0	100	0	0	100
8 - Public and internal service utilities		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	9	0	0	0	20	20	0	0	49
TOTAL	699	182	2'360	400	520	460	2'264	20'204	27'089

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Table 8-1 *Telecommunication Standardization Sector 2022 Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses*

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Telecommunication Standardization Bureau

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	World Telecom. Standardization Assembly	Telecom. Standardization Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs	472	63	597		20		824	7'742	9'718
2 - Other staff costs	8	4	13				248	2'270	2'543
3 - Travel on duty	120	20	470		180		50	60	900
4 - Contractual services	50	4	90	200	40	140	10	30	564
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment	30		10		10				50
6 - Materials and supplies	10					30			40
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						50			50
8 - Public and internal service utilities									0
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	9				10	10			29
TOTAL	699	91	1'180	200	260	230	1'132	10'102	13'894

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Table 8-2 *Telecommunication Standardization Sector 2023 Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses*

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Telecommunication Standardization Bureau

	World Telecom. Standardization Assembly	Telecom. Standardization Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs		63	597		20		824	7'742	9'246
2 - Other staff costs		4	13				248	2'270	2'535
3 - Travel on duty		20	470		180		50	60	780
4 - Contractual services		4	90	200	40	140	10	30	514
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment			10		10				20
6 - Materials and supplies						30			30
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						50			50
8 - Public and internal service utilities									0
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous					10	10			20
TOTAL	0	91	1'180	200	260	230	1'132	10'102	13'195

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Table 9 *Telecommunication Development Sector Planned Expenses by Section*

		Actuals 2018-2019	Budget 2020-2021	Estimates 2022	Estimates 2023	Total 2022-2023
Section 3	World Telecommunication Development Conferences		1'026			0
Section 4	Regional Telecommunication Development Conferences		498			0
Section 5	Telecommunication Development Advisory Group	206	244	172	143	315
Section 6	Study Group Meetings	702	796	407	407	814
Section 7	Activities and Programmes*	8'440	12'200	4'200	4'200	8'400
Section 9	Bureau - Common expenses - Office of the Director - Regional Offices - Departments	44'682 864 3'120 15'097 25'601	46'196 1'504 2'156 15'286 27'250	22'589 219 1'697 7'486 13'187	22'487 219 1'660 7'487 13'121	45'076 438 3'357 14'973 26'308
TOTAL		54'030	60'960	27'368	27'237	54'605

^{*)} Including Seminars and Workshops

Table 10Telecommunication Development Sector 2022-2023
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

Telecommunication Development Bureau

	Telecom. Development Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes*	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Regional Offices	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs	139	432	930	0	2'376	10'760	20'209	34'846
2 - Other staff costs	8	16	0	0	681	3'162	5'918	9'785
3 - Travel on duty	140	340	2'702	60	200	414	181	4'037
4 - Contractual services	18	20	4'746	100	100	72	0	5'056
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment		0	0	180	0	98	0	278
6 - Materials and supplies		0	22	66	0	88	0	176
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment		0	0	0	0	115	0	115
8 - Public and internal service utilities		0	0	10	0	126	0	136
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	10	6	0	22	0	138	0	176
TOTAL	315	814	8'400	438	3'357	14'973	26'308	54'605

^{*)} Including Seminars and Workshops

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Table 10-1 *Telecommunication Development Sector 2022 Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses*

Telecommunication Development Bureau

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	Telecom. Development Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes*	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Regional Offices	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs	83	216	465		1'203	5'380	10'129	17'476
2 - Other staff costs	4	8			344	1'581	2'967	4'904
3 - Travel on duty	70	170	1'351	30	100	207	91	2'019
4 - Contractual services	10	10	2'373	50	50	36		2'529
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment				90		49		139
6 - Materials and supplies			11	33		44		88
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						57		57
8 - Public and internal service utilities				5		63		68
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	5	3		11		69		88
TOTAL	172	407	4'200	219	1'697	7'486	13'187	27'368

^{*)} Including Seminars and Workshops

Table 10-2 *Telecommunication Development Sector 2023 Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses*

Telecommunication Development Bureau

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	Telecom. Development Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes*	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Regional Offices	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs	56	216	465		1'173	5'380	10'080	17'370
2 - Other staff costs	4	8			337	1'581	2'951	4'881
3 - Travel on duty	70	170	1'351	30	100	207	90	2'018
4 - Contractual services	8	10	2'373	50	50	36		2'527
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment				90		49		139
6 - Materials and supplies			11	33		44		88
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						58		58
8 - Public and internal service utilities				5		63		68
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	5	3		11		69		88
TOTAL	143	407	4'200	219	1'660	7'487	13'121	27'237

^{*)} Including Seminars and Workshops

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Table 11ITU Regional and Area Offices 2022-2023
Planned Expenses by Region and Category of Expenses

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ITU Regional and Area Offices

	Regional and Area Offices Common Expenses	Africa Region (AFR)	Americas Region (AMS)	Arab States Region (ARB)	Asia and the Pacific Region (ASP)	Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)	European Region (EUR)	Total
1 - Staff costs		3'030	2'992	1'294	2'006	710	728	10'760
2 - Other staff costs		892	880	382	592	206	210	3'162
3 - Travel on duty		100	98	64	72	44	36	414
4 - Contractual services		42	8	10	6	6	0	72
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment		56	20	8	12	2	0	98
6 - Materials and supplies		38	22	6	8	10	4	88
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	115	0	0	0	0	0	0	115
8 - Public and internal service utilities		48	38	10	24	4	2	126
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous		72	40	6	12	6	2	138
TOTAL	115	4'278	4'098	1'780	2'732	988	982	14'973

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Table 11-1
ITU Regional and Area Offices 2022
Planned Expenses by Region and Category of Expenses

CHF(000) ITU Regional and Area Offices

	Regional and Area Offices Common Expenses	Africa Region (AFR)	Americas Region (AMS)	Arab States Region (ARB)	Asia and the Pacific Region (ASP)	Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)	European Region (EUR)	Total
1 - Staff costs		1'515	1'496	647	1'003	355	364	5'380
2 - Other staff costs		446	440	191	296	103	105	1'581
3 - Travel on duty		50	49	32	36	22	18	207
4 - Contractual services		21	4	5	3	3		36
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	28	10	4	6	1		49
6 - Materials and supplies		19	11	3	4	5	2	44
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	57							57
8 - Public and internal service utilities		24	19	5	12	2	1	63
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	vacaoaaaaaaaaaa	36	20	3	6	3	1	69
TOTAL	57	2'139	2'049	890	1'366	494	491	7'486

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Table 11-2
ITU Regional and Area Offices 2023
Planned Expenses by Region and Category of Expenses

CHF(000) ITU Regional and Area Offices

	Regional and Area Offices Common Expenses	Africa Region (AFR)	Americas Region (AMS)	Arab States Region (ARB)	Asia and the Pacific Region (ASP)	Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)	European Region (EUR)	Total
1 - Staff costs		1'515	1'496	647	1'003	355	364	5'380
2 - Other staff costs		446	440	191	296	103	105	1'581
3 - Travel on duty		50	49	32	36	22	18	207
4 - Contractual services		21	4	5	3	3		36
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment		28	10	4	6	1		49
6 - Materials and supplies		19	11	3	4	5	2	44
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	58							58
8 - Public and internal service utilities		24	19	5	12	2	1	63
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous		36	20	3	6	3	1	69
TOTAL	58	2'139	2'049	890	1'366	494	491	7'487

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Table 12 *Capital Expenses 2022-2023*

Planned Expenses by Section

				Total
		2022	2023	2022-2023
Section 9	General Secretariat Departments			
	- Conferences and Publications Department	48	48	96
	- Information Services Department	212	212	424
Section 9	Radiocommunication Bureau			
	- Common expenses	300	300	600
TOTAL		560	560	1'120

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Table 13
COVID-19- Crisis Management 2022-2023

Planned Expenses by category of expenses

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			Total
	2022	2023	2022-2023
6 - Materials and supplies	120	120	240
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	100	100	200
8 - Public and internal service utilities	200	200	400
TOTAL	420	420	840

Ref.: Documents <u>C21/65</u>, <u>C21/86</u> and <u>C21/87</u> and <u>DM-21/1017</u>.

RESOLUTION 1412 (C23-EXT)

Balancing the 2022 budget implementation

The ITU Council,

in v	view of
Article 27 of	f the Financial Regulations of the Union,
ha	ving considered
	al difficulties that the Union is facing concerning the implementation of the 2022 budget ation and the possible anticipated deficit of some CHF 1.4 million,
ha	ving noted
a) the offset this d	e efforts made and the numerous efficiency measures taken by the Secretary-General to strive to leficit;
b) the	e need to improve the financial management that the situation has demonstrated,
res	solves
	request the Secretary-General to take measures to strengthen the financial management and ne measures taken to Council 2023;
	at an amount of up to CHF 700K may be withdrawn from the Reserve Account to be used by the seneral if at the end of the year there remains a deficit in the 2022 budget implementation.
Ref.: Docu	ments <u>C22/102 (Rev.1)</u> , <u>C23-EXT/4</u> , <u>C23-EXT/6</u> and <u>C23-EXT/9</u> .

RESOLUTION 1417 (C23)

Biennial budget of the Union for 2024-2025

The ITU Council,

in view of

the provisions of the ITU Convention,

bearing in mind

- a) the provisions of Decision 5 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on revenue and expenses for the Union for the period 2024-2027, which specifies that the contributory unit for Member States for the years 2024-2025 shall be set at CHF 318 000;
- b) the provisions of Article 11 of the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules of the Union, on transfers of appropriations,

resolves to approve

the biennial budget of the Union for 2024-2025, amounting to KCHF 164 933 for 2024 and to KCHF 164 134 for 2025, or KCHF 329 067 for the biennium 2024-2025, appropriated as follows:

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	Estimates	Estimates	Total
	2024	2025	2024-2025
1 - General Secretariat	[90'789]	[90'006]	[180'795]
2 - Radiocommunication Sector	[30'222]	[30'145]	[60'367]
3 - Telecommunication Standardization Sector	[14'705]	[14'098]	[28'803]
4 - Telecommunication Development Sector	[29'217]	[29'885]	[59'102]
TOTAL	[164'933]	[164'134]	[329'067]

further resolves

- to set the amount of the annual contributory unit for 2024 and 2025 at CHF 318 000 based on the class of contribution chosen by Member States under No. 160 of the ITU Constitution and No. 468 of the Convention, i.e. on the basis of a total of 355 15/16 units;
- to set at CHF 63 600 the annual value of the contributory unit for 2024 and 2025 for defraying the expenses of meetings of the Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R), the Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) and the Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) payable by Sector Members, in accordance with No. 480 of the Convention;
- 3 to set the financial contribution for Associates as follows:
- a) CHF 10 600 for Associates participating in the work of ITU-T and ITU-R;
- b) CHF 3 975 for Associates participating in the work of ITU-D;
- c) CHF 1 987.50 for Associates from developing countries participating in the work of ITU-D;

- 4 to set the annual fee for Academia, including universities and their associated research establishments, as follows:
- a) CHF 3 975 for Academia from developed countries participating in the work of the three Sectors;
- b) CHF 1 987.50 for Academia from developing countries participating in the work of the three Sectors;
- to authorize, during the implementation of the budget for 2024-2025, the Secretary-General to adjust the appropriations in relation to the items of expenses in a) and b) below, in accordance with changes incurred, through the use of the Reserve Account, provided that the Reserve Account is kept at the level prescribed in Decision 5 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022):
- a) increases in salary scales, pension contributions and allowances, including post adjustments, applicable to Geneva, as adopted by the United Nations common system;
- b) fluctuations in the exchange rate between the United States dollar and the Swiss franc in so far as this affects the staff costs for those staff members on United Nations salary scales;
- to instruct the Secretary-General to submit annually to the Council a full report including all documentation justifying the actions taken and a statement of the financial consequences of *further resolves* 5) above;
- to grant the Secretary-General for the 2024-2025 biennium, with respect to *Rule 6.1* of the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules, the necessary flexibility to compensate overspend on categories 1 and 2 (staff costs) with savings on categories 3-9 (non-staff costs) and to make the necessary transfers, if needed;
- 8 to authorize to balance the 2024-2025 accounts, should the need arise, with surplus revenue;
- 9 to instruct the Secretary-General to transfer CHF 1 million from the Reserve Account in January 2024 to the after-service health insurance (ASHI) fund to address unfunded long-term liabilities.

Annexes: Tables 1-12

Table 1 Planned Expenses by Sector

	Actuals 2020-2021	Budget 2022-2023	Estimates 2024	Estimates 2025	Total 2024-2025
1 - General Secretariat 2 - Radiocommunication Sector	167'015 54'757		90'789 30'222		
3 - Telecommunication Standardization Sector	25'527	27'089	14'705	14'098	28'803
4 - Telecommunication Development Sector	57'001	56'328	29'217	29'885	59'102
TOTAL	304'301	327'462	164'933	164'134	329'067

Table 2
Planned Revenue by Source

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		Actuals	Budget	Estimates	Estimates	Total
		2020-2021	2022-2023	2024	2025	2024-2025
A.	Assessed contributions A.1 Members States'contributions A.2 Sector Members' contributions - Radiocommunication Sector - Telecommunication Standardization Sector	218'585 12'672 12'366	218'586 12'628 12'314	113'188 6'399 6'003	113'188 6'399 6'003	226'376 12'798 12'006
	- Telecommunication Development Sector Total Sector Members A.3 Associates - Radiocommunication Sector	2'710 27'748 428	2'704 27'646 440	1'396 13'798 260	1'396 13'798 260	2'792 27'596 <i>520</i>
	 Telecommunication Standardization Sector Telecommunication Development Sector 	3'720 83	3'864 88	1'891 29	1'891 29	3'782 58
	Total Associates A.4 Academia A.5 Members States' contributions to conferences	4'231 787	4'392 796	2'180 408	2'180 408	4'360 816
	Total assessed contributions	251'352	251'420	129'574	129'574	259'148
В.	Cost recovery B.1 Project support cost revenue	960	2'000	700	900	1'600
	B.2 Sales of publications	36'527	31'000	19'250	19'250	38'500
	B.3 Products and services under cost recovery - UIFN - Telecom - Satellite network filing - Other Cost recovery revenue Total products and services under cost recovery	568 0 24'872 41 25'480	1'000 3'000 33'000 37'000	300 0 14'000 250 14'550	300 0 14'000 500 14'800	600 0 28'000 750 28'600
	Total cost recovery	62'967	70'000	34'500	34'950	69'450
c.	Revenue from interest	290	600	1'000	1'000	2'000
D.		1'039	400	400	400	800
Su	btotal	315'648	322'420	165'474	165'924	331'398
Н.	,,,,	-3'448 -4'077 -1'500	3'109 -1'000 -1'500 3'766 667	605 -1'000 -750 0 604	-605 -1'000 -750 0 565	0 -2'000 -1'500 0 1'169
TO	TAL	306'622	327'462	164'933	164'134	329'067

Table 3
General Secretariat
Planned Expenses by Section

		Actuals 2020-2021	Budget 2022-2023	Estimates 2024	Estimates 2025	Total 2024-2025
Section 1.1	Plenipotentiary Conference	-1	1'411			
Section 1.2	World Telecommunication Policy Forum	73				
Section 1.3	World Summit on the Information Society	92	100	50	50	100
Section 2.1	Council, Council Working Groups and Expert Groups	474	1'365	599	599	1'198
Section 7	Activities and programmes	862	1'055	450	450	900
Section 9	Secretary-General's Office and Departments	165'515	178'776	89'690	88'907	178'597
	- ITU Common expenses	24'967	23'392	11'903	11'905	23'808
	- Office of the Secretary-General and Deputy Secretary-General*	17'654	21'219	11'756	11'756	23'512
	- Strategic Planning and Membership Department	16'309	17'173	9'355	9'355	18'710
	- Conferences and Publications Department	40'912	47'496	21'669	20'912	42'581
	- Human Resources Management Department	11'436	11'869	6'123	6'123	12'246
	- Financial Resources Management Department	16'686	17'698	9'167	9'446	18'613
	- Information Services Department	37'550	39'929	19'717	19'410	39'127
TOTAL		167'015	182'707	90'789	90'006	180'795

^{*)} Including Facilities Management Division, Legal Affairs Unit, Internal Auditor and Investigation Unit

Table 4
General Secretariat 2024-2025
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

Secretary-General's Office and Departments

	World Summit on the Information Society	Council, Council Working Groups and Expert Groups	Activities and Programmes	ITU Common expenses	Office of the Secretary- General and Deputy Secretary- General*	Strategic Planning and Membership Department	Conferences and Publications Department	Human Resources Managt. Department	Financial Resources Managt. Department	Information Services Department	Total
1 - Staff costs		594		868	10'877	14'035	31'340	8'480	14'140	20'280	100'613
2 - Other staff costs		17		10'900	3'075	4'281	9'382	2'454	4'165	6'187	40'461
3 - Travel on duty		547		40	622	80	53	96	64	80	1'582
4 - Contractual services	100	40	820	2'100	1'046	160	694	918	56	9'620	15'554
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment				400	3'350	10	425	2		1'400	5'587
6 - Materials and supplies			80		336	52	362	100	52	860	1'842
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment					356	90	296	56	96	700	1'594
8 - Public and internal service utilities				1'320	3'810						5'130
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous				8'180	40	2	30	140	40		8'432
TOTAL	100	1'198	900	23'808	23'512	18'710	42'581	12'246	18'613	39'127	180'795

^{*)} Including Facilities Management Division, Legal Affairs Unit, Internal Auditor and Investigation Unit

Table 4-1 General Secretariat 2024 Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

Secretary-General's Office and Departments

	World Summit on the Information Society	Council, Council Working Groups and Expert Groups	Activities and Programmes	ITU Common expenses	Office of the Secretary- General and Deputy Secretary- General*	Strategic Planning and Membership Department	Conferences and Publications Department	Human Resources Managt. Department	Financial Resources Managt. Department	Information Services Department	Total
1 - Staff costs		297		433	5'438	7'017	15'951	4'240	6'965	10'257	50'598
2 - Other staff costs		8		5'450	1'538	2'141	4'712	1'227	2'048	3'130	20'254
3 - Travel on duty		274		20	311	40	26	48	32	40	791
4 - Contractual services	50	20	410	1'050	523	80	424	459	28	4'810	7'854
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment 6 - Materials and supplies			40	200	1'675 168	5	212	1 50	26	700 430	2'793 921
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment					178	45	148	28	48	350	797
8 - Public and internal service utilities				660	1'905						2'565
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous				4'090	20	1	15	70	20		4'216
TOTAL	50	599	450	11'903	11'756	9'355	21'669	6'123	9'167	19'717	90'789

^{*)} Including Facilities Management Division, Legal Affairs Unit, Internal Auditor and Investigation Unit

Table 4-2 General Secretariat 2025 Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

Secretary-General's Office and Departments

	World Summit on the Information Society	Council, Council Working Groups and Expert Groups	Activities and programmes	ITU Common expenses	Office of the Secretary- General and Deputy Secretary- General*	Strategic Planning and Membership Department	Conferences and Publications Department	Human Resources Managt. Department	Financial Resources Managt. Department	Information Services Department	Total
1 - Staff costs		297		435	5'438	7'017	15'389	4'240	7'175	10'023	50'016
2 - Other staff costs		8		5'450	1'538	2'141	4'670	1'227	2'117	3'057	20'207
3 - Travel on duty		274		20	311	40	26	48	32	40	791
4 - Contractual services	50	20	410	1'050	523	80	271	459	28	4'810	7'701
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment				200	1'675	5	212	1		700	2'793
6 - Materials and supplies			40		168	26	181	50	26	430	921
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment					178	45	148	28	48	350	797
8 - Public and internal service utilities				660	1'905						2'565
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous				4'090	20	1	15	70	20		4'216
TOTAL	50	599	450	11'905	11'756	9'355	20'912	6'123	9'446	19'410	90'006

^{*)} Including Facilities Management Division, Legal Affairs Unit, Internal Auditor and Investigation Unit

Table 5 Radiocommunication Sector Planned Expenses by Section

		Actuals 2020-2021	Budget 2022-2023	Estimates 2024	Estimates 2025	Total 2024-2025
Section 3.1	World Radiocommunication Conferences		1'825			
Section 3.2	Radiocommunication Assemblies		391			
Section 4.1	Regional Radiocommunication Conferences					
Section 5.1	Radio Regulations Board	441	732	419	419	838
Section 5.2	Radiocommunication Advisory Group	167	132	64	64	128
Section 6	Study Group Meetings	170	1'133	578	578	1'156
Section 7	Activities and Programmes	364	225	200	200	400
Section 8	Seminars and Workshops	89	248	315	315	630
Section 9	Bureau - Common expenses - Office of the Director - Departments	53'526 1'523 1'779 50'224	56'652 4'708 2'036 49'908	28'646 1'100 1'092 26'454	28'569 1'100 1'092 26'377	57'215 2'200 2'185 52'830
TOTAL		54'757	61'338	30'222	30'145	60'367

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Table 6
Radiocommunication Sector 2024-2025
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)

Radiocommunication Bureau

	Conferences and Assemblies	Radio Regulations Board	Radiocom- munication Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs		303	109	531		235		1'562	40'497	43'238
2 - Other staff costs		16	8	16		16		422	12'333	12'811
3 - Travel on duty		500		222		287	570	200		1'779
4 - Contractual services			10	80	400	32	970			1'492
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment				300		36	80			416
6 - Materials and supplies		10	0	3		3	20			36
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	***************************************		0				540			540
8 - Public and internal service utilities		5				7				12
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	5		4		14	20			43
TOTAL		838	128	1'156	400	630	2'200	2'185	52'830	60'367

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Table 6-1
Radiocommunication Sector 2024
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)

Radiocommunication Bureau

	Conferences and Assemblies	Radio Regulations Board	Radiocom- munication Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs		151	55	265		118		781	20'279	21'649
2 - Other staff costs		8	4	8		8		211	6'175	6'414
3 - Travel on duty		250		111		144	285	100		890
4 - Contractual services			5	40	200	16	485			746
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment				150		18	40			208
6 - Materials and supplies		5		2		2	10			18
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	000000000000000000000000000000000000000		0				270			270
8 - Public and internal service utilities		2				4				6
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	***************************************	2		2		7	10			21
TOTAL		419	64	578	200	315	1'100	1'092	26'454	30'222

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Table 6-2
Radiocommunication Sector 2025
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)

Radiocommunication Bureau

	Conferences and Assemblies	Radio Regulations Board	Radiocom- munication Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs		151	55	265		118		781	20'219	21'589
2 - Other staff costs		8	4	8		8		211	6'158	6'397
3 - Travel on duty		250		111		144	285	100		890
4 - Contractual services			5	40	200	16	485			746
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment				150		18	40			208
6 - Materials and supplies		5	0	2		2	10			18
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	000000000000000000000000000000000000000						270			270
8 - Public and internal service utilities		2				4				6
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	2		2		7	10			21
TOTAL		419	64	578	200	315	1'100	1'092	26'377	30'145

Table 7 Telecommunication Standardization Sector Planned Expenses by Section

		Actuals 2020-2021	Budget 2022-2023	Estimates 2024	Estimates 2025	Total 2024-2025
Section 3	World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly and preparatory meeting	70	699	729	0	729
Section 5	Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group	177	182	93	93	186
Section 6	Study Group Meetings	1'670	2'360	1'060	1'121	2'181
Section 7	Activities and Programmes	357	400	150	150	300
Section 8	Seminars and Workshops	328	520	245	245	490
Section 9	Bureau - Common expenses - Office of the Director - Departments	22'924 253 2'042 20'630	22'928 460 2'263 20'205	12'428 205 794 11'429	12'489 205 794 11'490	24'917 410 1'587 22'920
TOTAL		25'527	27'089	14'705	14'098	28'803

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Table 8
Telecommunication Standardization Sector 2024-2025
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)

Telecommunication Standardization Bureau

7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						100			100
6 - Materials and supplies	10					40			50
			120		20	40			
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment	20		120		20				160
4 - Contractual services	50	20	127	300	60	250	10	530	1'347
3 - Travel on duty	174	40	748		350		80	90	1'482
2 - Other staff costs	8	15	26				329	5'275	5'653
1 - Staff costs	443	111	1'161		40		1'168	17'025	19'948
	Preparatory Meetings	Group							
	Assembly &	n Advisory	J		·	·			Total
	World Telecom. Standardization	Telecom. Standardizatio	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	

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Table 8-1
Telecommunication Standardization Sector 2024
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)

Telecommunication Standardization Bureau

	World Telecom.	Telecom.	Study Group	Activities and	Seminars and	Common expenses	Office of the	Departments	
	Standardization	Standardizatio	Meetings	programmes	Workshops		Director		Total
	Assembly &	n Advisory							Total
	Preparatory Meetings	Group							
1 - Staff costs	443	55	580		20		584	8'489	10'171
2 - Other staff costs	8	8	13				164	2'631	2'824
3 - Travel on duty	174	20	350		175		40	45	804
4 - Contractual services	50	10	57	150	30	125	5	265	692
5 - Rental and maintenance of									
premises and equipment	20		60		10				90
6 - Materials and supplies	10					20			30
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture									
and equipment						50			50
8 - Public and internal service utilities									0
9 - Audit and interagency fees and	2.4				40	10			
miscellaneous	24				10	10			44
TOTAL	729	93	1'060	150	245	205	794	11'429	14'705

Table 8-2
Telecommunication Standardization Sector 2025
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

Telecommunication Standardization Bureau

	World Telecom. Standardization Assembly & Preparatory Meetings	Telecom. Standardizatio n Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes	Seminars and Workshops	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs		55	581		20		584	8'536	9'776
2 - Other staff costs		8	13				164	2'644	2'829
3 - Travel on duty		20	398		175		40	45	678
4 - Contractual services		10	70	150	30	125	5	265	655
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment			60		10				70
6 - Materials and supplies						20			20
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						50			50
8 - Public and internal service utilities									0
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous					10	10			20
TOTAL		93	1'121	150	245	205	794	11'490	14'098

Table 9
Telecommunication Development Sector
Planned Expenses by Section

		Actuals 2020-2021	Budget 2022-2023	Estimates 2024	Estimates 2025	Total 2024-2025
Section 3	World Telecommunication Development Conferences		1'076		900	900
Section 4	Regional Telecommunication Development Conferences	199	30	203	254	457
Section 5	Telecommunication Development Advisory Group	273	265	122	134	256
Section 6	Study Group Meetings	534	814	346	346	692
Section 7	Activities and Programmes*	11'190	8'382	3'948	3'948	7'896
Section 9	Bureau - Common expenses - Office of the Director - Regional Offices** - Departments	44'806 328 2'716 14'256 27'506	45'761 456 2'706 15'640 26'959	24'598 275 1'356 8'448 14'519	24'303 275 1'356 8'200 14'472	48'901 549 2'712 16'648 28'992
TOTAL		57'001	56'328	29'217	29'885	59'102

^{*)} Including Seminars and Workshops

^{**)} Including area office - New Delhi

Table 10
Telecommunication Development Sector 2024-2025
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

Telecommunication Development Bureau

	World Telecom. Development Conferences	Regional Telecom. Development Conferences	Telecom. Development Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes*	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Regional Offices**	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs	605	104	115	384	930		1'960	11'475	22'052	37'624
2 - Other staff costs	9	4	8	16			542	3'556	6'770	10'904
3 - Travel on duty	231	294	101	245	2'513	34	140	568	170	4'296
4 - Contractual services	38	17	30	46	4'431	86	58	204		4'909
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment		12						102		114
6 - Materials and supplies	14	12			22	34	12	76		170
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						361		347		708
8 - Public and internal service utilities	2	6				20		100		128
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous	1	9	2	2		14		221		249
TOTAL	900	457	256	692	7'896	549	2'712	16'648	28'992	59'102

^{*)} Including Seminars and Workshops

^{**)} Including area office - New Delhi

Table 10-1
Telecommunication Development Sector 2024
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

Telecommunication Development Bureau

	World Telecom. Development Conferences	Regional Telecom. Development Conferences	Telecom. Development Advisory Group	Study Group Meetings	Activities and programmes*	Common expenses	Office of the Director	Regional Offices**	Departments	Total
1 - Staff costs		50	51	192	465		980	5'806	11'044	18'588
2 - Other staff costs		0	4	8			271	1'799	3'390	5'472
3 - Travel on duty		127	51	122	1'257	17	70	303	85	2'033
4 - Contractual services		8	15	23	2'215	43	29	99		2'433
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment		6						51		57
6 - Materials and supplies		6			11	17	6	38		78
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment						181		188		369
8 - Public and internal service utilities		3				10		50		63
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous		3	1	1		7		113		125
TOTAL		203	122	346	3'948	275	1'356	8'448	14'519	29'217

^{*)} Including Seminars and Workshops

^{**)} Including area office - New Delhi

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Table 10-2
Telecommunication Development Sector 2025
Planned Expenses by Section and Category of Expenses

CHF(000)

Telecommunication Development Bureau

8 - Public and internal service utilities						10		50		65
and equipment						181		159		340
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture										
6 - Materials and supplies	14	6			11	17	6	38		92
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment		6						51		57
	33	,	-10			.0		20.		
4 - Contractual services	38	9	15	23	2'215	43	29	104		2'476
3 - Travel on duty	231	166	51	122	1'257	17	70	264	85	2'263
2 - Other staff costs	9	4	4	8			271	1'757	3'379	5'432
1 - Staff costs	605	54	63	192	465		980	5'668	11'008	19'035
	Development Conferences	Conferences	Advisory Group							
	Telecom.	Telecom. Development	Development	Meetings	programmes*	expenses	Director	Offices**		Total
	World	Regional	Telecom.	Study Group	Activities and	Common	Office of the	Regional	Departments	

^{*)} Including Seminars and Workshops

^{**)} Including area office - New Delhi

Table 11
ITU Regional and Area Offices 2024-2025
Planned Expenses by Region and Category of Expenses

ITU Regional and Area Offices

Area Offices Common Expenses (AFR) Region (AMS) Region (ARB) Pacific Region of Independent States (CIS) Total 1 - Staff costs 3'013 3'101 1'418 2'499 637 806 11	TOTAL	367	4'262	4'308	1'940	3'800	890	1'081	16'648
Area Offices Common Expenses	miscellaneous		62	81	2	64	6	6	221
Area Offices Common Expenses (AFR) Region (AMS) Region (ARB) Pacific Region (ASP)* of Independent States (CIS) Region (EUR) Total 1 - Staff costs 3'013 3'101 1'418 2'499 637 806 11 2 - Other staff costs 932 972 438 776 195 243 3 3 - Travel on duty 90 90 60 264 40 24 4 - Contractual services 37 8 4 151 4 5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment 64 18 6 10 4 6 - Materials and supplies 20 28 12 4 10 2 7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment 347									
Area Offices Common Expenses 1 - Staff costs 2 - Other staff costs 3 - Travel on duty 4 - Contractual services 5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment 6 - Materials and supplies 2 - Other staff costs 2 - Other staff costs 3 - Travel on of premises, furniture Area Offices Common Expenses 3 - Travel on (AFR) 8 - Region (AMS) 8 - Region (ARB) 8 - Pacific Region of Independent States (CIS) 8 - Region (EUR) 8 - Region (EUR) 8 - Region (EUR) 8 - Total 8 - Other staff costs 9 - Other staff co	8 - Public and internal service utilities		36	26	8	26	2	2	100
Area Offices Common Expenses (AFR) Region (AMS) Region (ARB) Pacific Region of Independent States (CIS) Region (EUR) 1 - Staff costs 3'013 3'101 1'418 2'499 637 806 11 2 - Other staff costs 932 972 438 776 195 243 3 3 - Travel on duty 90 90 60 264 40 24 4 - Contractual services 377 8 4 151 4 5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment 64 18 6 10 4 6 - Materials and supplies 20 28 12 4 10 2		347							347
Area Offices Common Expenses		20	28	12	4	10	2		76
Area Offices Common Expenses									102
Area Offices Common Expenses (AFR) Region (AMS) Region (ARB) Pacific Region (ASP)* of Independent States (CIS) 1 - Staff costs 3'013 3'101 1'418 2'499 637 806 11 2 - Other staff costs 932 972 438 776 195 243 3 3 - Travel on duty 90 90 60 264 40 24									
Area Offices Common Expenses (AFR) Region (AMS) Region (ARB) Pacific Region of Independent States (CIS) Region (EUR) 1 - Staff costs 3'013 3'101 1'418 2'499 637 806 11 2 - Other staff costs 932 972 438 776 195 243 3	4 - Contractual services		37	8	4	151	4		204
Area Offices Common Expenses Area Offices Common Expenses 3'013 Area Offices Common Expenses Region (AMS) Region (ARB) Pacific Region of Independent States (CIS) 1-Staff costs Region (ARB) Pacific Region of Independent States (CIS) 1-1418	3 - Travel on duty		90	90	60	264	40	24	568
Area Offices (AFR) Region (AMS) Region (ARB) Pacific Region of Independent Common (ASP)* States (CIS) Expenses	2 - Other staff costs		932	972	438	776	195	243	3'556
Area Offices (AFR) Region (AMS) Region (ARB) Pacific Region of Independent Region (EUR) Common (ASP)* States (CIS)	1 - Staff costs		3'013	3'101	1'418	2'499	637	806	11'475
Area Offices (AER) Region (AMS) Region (ARR) Pacific Region of Independent Region (ELIR)						(ASP)*	States (CIS)		lotal
Regional and Africa Region Americas Arab States Asia and the Commonwealth European		Regional and Area Offices	Africa Region (AFR)					European Region (EUR)	T -1-1

^{*)} Including area office - New Delhi

Table 11-1
ITU Regional and Area Offices 2024
Planned Expenses by Region and Category of Expenses

ITU Regional and Area Offices

	Regional and Area Offices Common Expenses	Africa Region (AFR)	Americas Region (AMS)	Arab States Region (ARB)	Asia and the Pacific Region (ASP)*	Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)	European Region (EUR)	Total
	Ехрепзез							
1 - Staff costs		1'576	1'550	709	1'250	319	403	5'806
2 - Other staff costs		487	486	219	388	98	121	1'799
3 - Travel on duty		45	45	30	151	20	12	303
4 - Contractual services		19	4	2	73	2		99
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment		32	9	3	5	2		51
6 - Materials and supplies	10	14	6	2	5	1		38
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	188							188
8 - Public and internal service utilities		18	13	4	13	1	1	50
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous		31	41	1	35	3	3	113
TOTAL	198	2'221	2'154	970	1'920	445	540	8'448

^{*)} Including area office - New Delhi

Table 11-2
ITU Regional and Area Offices 2025
Planned Expenses by Region and Category of Expenses

ITU Regional and Area Offices

	Regional and Area Offices Common Expenses	Africa Region (AFR)	Americas Region (AMS)	Arab States Region (ARB)	Asia and the Pacific Region (ASP)*	Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)	European Region (EUR)	Total
1 - Staff costs		1'437	1'550	709	1'250	319	403	5'668
2 - Other staff costs		445	486	219	388	98	121	1'757
3 - Travel on duty		45	45	30	112	20	12	264
4 - Contractual services		19	4	2	78	2		104
5 - Rental and maintenance of premises and equipment		32	9	3	5	2		51
6 - Materials and supplies	10	14	6	2	5	1		38
7 - Acquisition of premises, furniture and equipment	159							159
8 - Public and internal service utilities		18	13	4	13	1	1	50
9 - Audit and interagency fees and miscellaneous		31	41	1	30	3	3	108
TOTAL	169	2'041	2'154	970	1'880	445	540	8'200

^{*)} Including area office - New Delhi

Table 12
Capital Expenses 2024-2025
Planned Expenses by Section

		2024	2025	Total 2024-2025
Section 9	General Secretariat Departments - Conferences and Publications Department - Information Services Department	48 230	48 230	96 460
Section 9	Radiocommunication Bureau - Common expenses	120	120	240
TOTAL		398	398	796

Ref.: Documents <u>C23/60</u>, <u>C23/DT/7</u>, <u>C23/104(Rev.1)</u>, <u>C23/112</u> and <u>C23/115</u>.

RESOLUTION 925 (C-1985, last amended C19)

Financial conditions for the participation of the United Nations, the specialized agencies and other international organizations in the conferences, assemblies and meetings of the ITU

The Council,

recalling

that the agreement between the United Nations and the ITU provides for that body to be invited to participate in all conferences and assemblies of the Union, as well as in meetings of ITU Sector advisory and study groups and working bodies and all other meetings convened by the Union,

considering

- a) that the Council, under the terms of No. 80 (Article 4) of the ITU Convention, is responsible for the coordination with all international organizations having related interests and activities, as referred to in Articles 49 and 50 of the Constitution;
- b) that it is in the general interests of the specialized agencies in relation with the United Nations to cooperate within the limits of their powers in solving their common, related or complementary problems;
- c) that under the terms of No. 476 (Article 33) of the Convention, the Council may exempt "subject to reciprocity" certain international organizations from any share in defraying the expenses of ITU conferences, assemblies and meetings;
- d) that the only criterion in such cases should be the benefits and advantages that both the ITU and the organization in question may derive from their participation in the activities concerned,

having regard to

relevant resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly dealing with the question of liberation movements,

resolves

- that the United Nations shall be exempted from all contributions to defraying the expenditure of ITU conferences, assemblies and meetings in which it participates;
- that, subject to the provisions of Articles 23, 24 and 25 of the Convention and the General Rules of conferences, assemblies and meetings of the Union, the specialized agencies of the United Nations, the International Atomic Energy Agency and other organizations referred to in Nos 269A–269E (Article 23) of the Convention, shall be invited to take part in conferences, assemblies and meetings of the Union in an advisory capacity;
- that, provided they accord reciprocity to the Union, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and other organizations in accordance with Nos 269A–269E (Article 23) of the Convention shall be exempted from all contributions to defraying the expenditure of any ITU conferences, assemblies and meetings in which they participate;

- that liberation organizations, recognised by the United Nations, in accordance with Resolution 6 (Kyoto, 1994) may attend at any time ITU conferences, assemblies and meetings as observers and shall be exempted from all contributions to defraying the expenditure of such ITU conferences, assemblies and meetings;
- 5 to instruct the Secretary-General:
- 5.1 in accordance with Nos 3 and 4 above, to establish and update, as required, a list of organizations exempted from all contributions to defraying the expenditure of ITU conferences, assemblies and meetings, comprising the following sections:
 - regional telecommunication organizations;
 - intergovernmental organizations operating satellite systems;
 - regional and other international organizations;
 - specialized agencies of the United Nations and the International Atomic Energy Agency;
- 5.2 to present the list of organizations, in accordance with No. 5.1 above, to the Council for consideration and approval;
- 5.3 to make publicly available on the ITU website the list of organizations, as approved by the Council;
- 5.4 to report to the Council on measures to implement this Resolution;
- To maintain the list of organizations referred to in Section 4 of Resolution 925 (C-1985, last amended C-01) until the adoption by the Council of a replacement list in accordance with *decides* 5.2 of the present Resolution.
- Ref.: Documents 6376/CA40 (1985), 6512/CA41 (1986), 6639 and 6652/CA42 (1987), 6778 and 6812/CA43 (1988), 6896 and 6903/CA44 (1989), 7037 and 7063/CA45 (1990), 7186 and 7175/CA46 (1991), C94/158 and C94/132, C95/116 and C95/117, C96/135 and C96/137, C98/67 and C98/93; C99/29 and C99/133; C01/26 and Addenda 1 and 2 and C01/132; C19/141 and C19/120.

RESOLUTION 1111 (C-1997)

TELECOM SURPLUS FUNDS

The Council,

considering the "instructs the Council" part of Resolution 11, Kyoto, 1994, relating to the use of Telecom surplus funds,

having examined the reports by the Secretary-General and the Director of the BDT as contained in Document C97/59 relating to the use of Telecom surplus funds, Documents C97/17 and C97/79,

noting that those funds to be used for specific development projects amount to 17.5 million Swiss francs,

resolves

- that the amount mentioned above shall be used for the projects and purposes outlined in Document C97/59;
- that the funds used as seed funds and those funds, together with the ones that they will generate from their use, shall be managed in accordance with the financial regulations applicable to voluntary contributions;
- that future identification of projects shall be made by the BDT taking account of inputs by world and regional development conferences and the TDAB;
- 4 that strategic decisions and approval of projects, the allocation of funds and the monitoring of the execution of the projects following the procedure in force shall be made by a Steering Committee composed of:
- the Secretary-General, assisted by the President of TELECOM;
- the Deputy Secretary-General;
- the Director of the BDT;

The Steering Committee may call upon representatives of the beneficiaries where appropriate.

- that the projects shall be executed by the BDT who shall report periodically to the Steering Committee;
- that the post of Administrator whose function and funding are described in Document C97/59 shall be included in the BDT from the administrative viewpoint;
- that the Steering Committee shall report to Council on actions taken for the implementation of Resolution 11 of Kyoto, 1994, and on the execution of the projects.

Ref.:	Documents C97/131 and C97/138.	

RESOLUTION 1338 (C11)

Information and Communication Technologies Development Fund (ICT-DF)

The Council,

considering

- a) that Resolution 11 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference provides "that, once all the expenditures have been recovered, a significant part of any generated positive revenues over expenses derived from ITU TELECOM activities shall be transferred to the ICT Development Fund under the Telecommunication Development Bureau, for specific telecommunication development projects, primarily in the least developed countries, small island developing states, landlocked developing countries and countries with economies in transition";
- b) that Resolution 11 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference instructs the Council "to review and approve the allocation of part of the positive revenues generated by ITU TELECOM events to development projects within the framework of the ICT Development Fund",

noting

Council Resolution 1111 (1997 session) which entrusted strategic-decision making, approval of projects, allocation of funds and monitoring of the execution of projects following the procedures in force to a Steering Committee mandated to report to the Council on the execution of projects,

considering further

- a) that no contribution has been paid into the ICT-DF since 2007;
- b) that at 31 December 2010, the Exhibition Working Capital Fund stood at CHF 10,555,517.57;
- c) that the minimum level of the Exhibition Working Capital Fund is set at CHF 5 million;
- d) that it is necessary to strengthen the ICT Development Fund in order to support the implementation of the regional initiatives approved by the World Telecommunication Development Conference (Hyderabad, 2010) and facilitate the participation of other donors,

resolves

- to approve the transfer of CHF 1 million from the Exhibition Working Capital Fund to the ICT-DF capital account for 2011;
- to urge the Director of BDT to pursue the efforts being made to improve the quality of projects financed fully or in part by the ICT-DF with a view to increasing their capacity to mobilize the necessary additional resources.

Ref.: Documents C11/106 and C11/120.

RESOLUTION 1418 (C23)

Information and Communication Technologies Development Fund

The ITU Council,

in view of

the abrogation of <u>Resolution 11 (Rev. Dubai, 2018)</u> on ITU Telecom events and the <u>Minutes of the sixteenth</u> <u>Plenary meeting</u> at the Plenipotentiary Conference (Bucharest, 2022),

having considered

the report by the Secretary-General on the status of the Information and Communication Technologies Development Fund (ICT-DF),

noting

Council Resolution 1111 (C-1997) which entrusted strategic decision making, approval of projects, allocation of funds and monitoring of the execution of projects following the procedures in force to a Steering Committee mandated to report to the Council on the execution of projects,

resolves

to approve the transfer of CHF 3 million from the EWCF to the ICT-DF Capital Account for the purpose of providing seed money for the financing of Regional Initiatives. After the liquidation of all ITU Telecom financial obligations and the final closing of the accounts, the remaining balance retained in EWCF will be reported to the Council at its 2024 session.

Ref.: Documents <u>C23/34</u>, <u>C23/DT/8</u>, <u>C23/104(Rev.1)</u>, <u>C23/112</u> and <u>C23/116</u>.

DECISION 387 (C-1980)

Payment for Union publications

The Council,

in view of the steady increase in arrears owing for the supply of Union publications,

decides

- 1 that with regard to the administrations of countries Members of the Union:
- a) if the amount of their arrears for publications includes sums unpaid for more than two years, any order shall be accompanied by payment of the price of the publication in question;
- b) when this provision becomes applicable, the administrations concerned will be explicitly notified of the fact by the Secretary-General;
- that the Secretary-General may apply to other purchasers a system whereby publications are supplied without prior payment provided that the amounts owing do not remain unpaid for more than six months.

This decision will enter into force on 1 January 1981.

Ref.: Document 5522/CA35 (1980).

DECISION 482 (C01, last amended C20)

Implementation of cost recovery for satellite network filings

The ITU Council,

considering

- a) Resolution 88 (Rev. Marrakesh, 2002) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on the implementation of cost recovery for satellite network filings;
- b) Resolution 91 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on cost recovery for some products and services of ITU;
- c) Council Resolution 1113, on cost recovery for the processing by the Radiocommunication Bureau of space notifications;
- d) Document <u>C99/68</u> reporting on the Council Working Group on implementation of cost recovery for satellite network filings;
- e) Document <u>C99/47</u> on cost recovery for some ITU products and services;
- ebis) Document C05/29 on cost recovery for the processing of satellite network filings;

- f) that WRC-03 and WRC-07 adopted provisions referring to Council Decision 482, as amended, under which a satellite network filing is cancelled if payment is not received in accordance with the provisions of this decision;
- g) that WRC-07 significantly revised the regulatory procedures associated to the fixed-satellite service Plan contained in Appendix 30B that entered into force as of 17 November 2007;
- h) that the date of entry into force of Decision 482 (modified 2005) was 1 January 2006,

recognizing

the practical experience of the Radiocommunication Bureau in implementing cost-recovery filing charges and the methodology as reported to the Council at its 2001 to 2007 sessions in accordance with Decision 482 as revised by the Council,

decides

that all satellite network filings concerning advance publication, their associated requests for coordination or agreement (Article 9 of the Radio Regulations (RR), Article 7 of Appendices 30/30A to the RR, Resolution 539 (Rev.WRC-19)), the use of the guardbands (Article 2A to Appendices 30/30A to the RR), requests for modification of the space service plans and lists (Article 4 of Appendices 30 and 30A to the RR), requests for the implementation of the fixed-satellite service plan (former Sections IB and II of Article 6 of Appendix 30B to the RR up to 16 November 2007), and requests for the conversion of an allotment into an assignment with modification which is beyond the envelop characteristics of the initial allotment, the introduction of an additional system, modification of the characteristics of an assignment in the List of Appendix 30B to the RR (Article 6 of Appendix 30B to the RR as from 17 November 2007) shall be subject to cost-recovery charges if, and only if, they have been received by the Radiocommunication Bureau on or after 8 November 1998;

that all satellite network filings concerning notification for recording of frequency assignments in the Master International Frequency Register (Article 11 of the RR, Article 5 of Appendices 30/30A to the RR and Article 8 of Appendix 30B to the RR) received by the Radiocommunication Bureau on or after 1 January 2006 shall be subject to cost-recovery charges if, and only if, they refer to advance publication or modification of the space service plans or lists (Part A), requests for the implementation of the fixed-satellite service plan or requests for the conversion of an allotment into an assignment with modification which is beyond the envelop characteristics of the initial allotment, the introduction of an additional system, the modification of the characteristics of an assignment in the List of Appendix 30B to the RR, as appropriate, received on or after 19 October 2002;

that all requests for the implementation of the fixed-satellite service plan (former Sections IA and III of Article 6 of Appendix 30B to the RR) shall be subject to cost-recovery charges if, and only if, they have been received by the Radiocommunication Bureau on or after 1 January 2006;

1quater that all requests for consolidation of frequency assignments in the MIFR of different GSO networks submitted by an administration (or an administration acting on behalf of a group of named administrations) at the same orbital position into frequency assignments of a single satellite network received by the Radiocommunication Bureau on or after 1 July 2013, shall be subject to cost recovery charges;

- that for each satellite network ¹ filing communicated to the Radiocommunication Bureau, the following charges ²shall apply:
- a) for filings received up to and including 29 June 2001, Decision 482 (C-99) applies; these filings are charged at publication in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of publication;
- b) for filings received on or after 30 June 2001, but before 1 January 2002, Decision 482 (C-01) applies; these filings are charged at publication with a flat fee in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, and an additional fee (if any) according to the fee schedule in force at the date of publication;
- c) for filings received on or after 1 January 2002, but before 4 May 2002, Decision 482 (C-01) applies; the flat fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice, and the additional fee (if any), calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of publication, is payable after publication of the notice;
- d) for filings received on or after 4 May 2002, but before 31 December 2004, Decision 482 (C-02) applies; the flat fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice, and the additional fee (if any), calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after publication of the notice;
- e) for filings received on or after 31 December 2004 but before 1 January 2006, Decision 482 (C-04) applies; the flat fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice, and the additional fee (if any), calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after publication of the notice;
- f) for filings received on or after 1 January 2006 but before 1 January 2009 except those received under Appendix 30B as from 17 November 2007, Decision 482 (C-05) applies; the fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice;
- g) for filings received on or after 1 January 2009, including those received under Appendix 30B as from 17 November 2007, but before 14 July 2012, Decision 482 (C-08) applies; the fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice;
- h) for filings received on or after 14 July 2012, but before 1 July 2013, Decision 482 (C-12) applies; the fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice;
- i) for filings received on or after 1 July 2013, Decision 482 (C-13) applies; the fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice;

¹ In this decision, the term "satellite network" refers to any space system in accordance with No. 1.110 of the Radio Regulations.

The fee per "unit" (see Annex) shall not be understood as a tax imposed on spectrum users. It is used here as a driver for the calculation of cost recovery relating to publication of satellite systems.

- j) for filings received on or after 1 July 2017, Decision 482 (C-17) applies; the fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice;
- k) for filings received on or after 1 July 2018, Decision 482 (C-18) applies; the fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice;
- l) for filings received on or after 1 July 2019, Decision 482 (C-19) applies; the fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice;
- m) for filings received on or after 1 September 2020, Decision 482 (C-20) applies; the fee, calculated in accordance with the fee schedule in force at the date of receipt, is payable after receipt of the notice,
- that the fee shall be regarded as a charge for a satellite network filing. There will be no charge for modifications which do not result in further technical or regulatory examination by the Radiocommunication Bureau, except modifications under *1quater* above, including but not limited to the name of the satellite/earth station and its associated satellite name, name of the beam, responsible administration, operating agency, date of bringing into use, period of validity, associated satellite (and beam) or earth station name;
- that each Member State shall be entitled to the publication of special sections or parts of the BR IFIC (space services) for one satellite network filing each year without the charges referred to above. Each Member State in its role as the notifying administration may determine which network shall benefit from the free entitlement;³
- that the nomination of the free entitlement for the calendar year of receipt by the Bureau of the satellite network filing based on the formal date of receipt of the filing shall be made by the Member State no later than the end of the period for payment of the invoice in *decides* 9 below. The free entitlement cannot be applied to a filing previously cancelled for non-payment;
- that for any satellite network for which the advance publication information (API) was received prior to 8 November 1998, there will be no cost-recovery charges for the first coordination request referring to that API, regardless of when the Radiocommunication Bureau receives it. Any modifications received on or after 1 January 2006 shall be subject to a charge in accordance with *decides* 2 above;
- that there will be no cost-recovery charges for any Part A submission involving the application of Article 4 of Appendices 30/30A received by the Bureau prior to 8 November 1998 or Part B submission involving the application of Article 4 of Appendices 30/30A where the associated Part A was received prior to 8 November 1998. Any request for publication in Part A received after 7 November 1998 under §4.3.5 up to 2 June 2000 and then §4.1.3 or §4.2.6 of Appendices 30/30A and corresponding Part B submitted under §4.3.14 up to 2 June 2000 and the §4.1.12 or §4.2.16 of Appendices 30/30A shall be subject to a charge in accordance with *decides* 2 above;

³ A submission of filings under Article 4 of Appendix 30 and Appendix 30A in the Regions 1 and 3 Plans, referring to a single orbital position with the same satellite name and received on the same date shall be considered as one "satellite network" filing for the purpose of free entitlement.

7bis that there will be no cost-recovery charges for any submission under §6.17 of Article 6 of Appendix 30B where the associated submission under §6.1 of that Article was received prior to 17 November 2007;

- 8 that the Annex (Schedule of processing charges) to this decision should be reviewed periodically by the Council;
- 9 that the payment of charges shall be made on the basis of an invoice issued upon receipt of the filing by the Radiocommunication Bureau and sent to the notifying administration or, at the request of that administration, to the satellite network operator in question within a period of a maximum of six months after issue of the invoice;
- that any subsequent cancellation received by the Radiocommunication Bureau within 15 days of the date of receipt of the filing shall remove the obligation to pay the fee;
- that publication of special sections or parts of the BR IFIC (space services) for the amateur-satellite service, the notification for recording of frequency assignments for earth stations, for the conversion of an allotment into an assignment in accordance with the procedure of former Section I of Article 6 of Appendix 30B, the addition of a new allotment to the plan for a new Member State of the Union in accordance with the procedure of Article 7 of Appendix 30B shall be exempt from any charges;
- that the date of entry into force of Decision 482 (modified 2020) shall be 1 September 2020;
- that the provisions of this decision need to be revised when further data from time recording are available,

recommends

that should Council revise the schedule in the Annex, any credits that may arise should be applied by the Bureau to subsequent invoices as requested by administrations,

encourages Member States

to develop domestic policies that will minimize the occurrence of non-payment and consequential revenue loss to ITU,

instructs the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau

- to enhance the Radiocommunication Bureau's electronic notice form software (SpaceCap) in order to enable the calculation of the best estimated charges associated with a satellite network filing of any type prior to its submission to ITU;
- to submit an annual report to the Council on the implementation of this decision, including analyses of:
- a) the cost of the different steps of the procedures;
- b) the impact of the electronic submission of information;
- c) enhancement in quality of service, including, among others, reduction of the backlog;
- d) the costs of validating filings and requesting corrective action thereto; and
- e) difficulties encountered in applying the provisions of this decision,
- 3 to inform the Member States of any practice used by the Radiocommunication Bureau to implement the provisions of this decision and the rationale for that practice.

Annex: 1

ANNEX

Schedule of processing charges to be applied to satellite network filings received by the Radiocommunication Bureau on or after 1 September 2020

	Туре	Category		Flat fee per filing (in CHF) (≥ 100 units, if applicable)	Start fee per filing (in CHF) (< 100 units)	Fee per unit (in CHF) (< 100 units)	Cost-recovery unit
1	Advance publication (A)	A1	Advance publication of a non-geostationary-satellite network not subject to coordination under Section II of Article 9; Advance publication of inter-satellite links of a geostationary-satellite space station communicating with a non-geostationary space station provisionally not subject to coordination under Section II of Article 9 in accordance with the Rule of Procedure on No. 11.32, §6 (MOD RRB04/35).	570	570 Not appl		pplicable
			Note: Advance publication also includes the application of No. 9.5 (API/B special section) and will not be separately charged.				
		C1*	Coordination request for a satellite network in accordance with No. 9.6 along with one or more of Nos. 9.7, 9.7A, 9.7B,	20 560	5 560		
2	Coordinatio n (C)	C2*	9.11, 9.11A, 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14 and 9.21 of Section II of Article 9, §7.1 of Article 7 of Appendix 30, §7.1 of Article 7 of Appendix 30A and Resolution 539 (Rev.WRC-19).	24 620	9 620		
		C3*	Note: Coordination also includes the application of, Nos. 9.1A , 9.53A (CR/D special section) and 9.41/9.42 and will not be separately charged. Note: For coordination requests of a non-geostationary satellite network where the notifying administration has indicated that the different sub-sets of orbital characteristics would be mutually exclusive, the processing charges are separately computed for each of the sub-sets and thereafter added to produce the processing charge of the satellite network.	33 467 18 467		Product of the number of frequency	
							assignments, number of classes of
			Notification for recording in the MIFR of frequency assignments to a satellite network subject to coordination under Section II of Article 9 (with the exception of non-geostationary-satellite network subject to No. 9.21 only). Note: Notification also includes the application of Resolutions 4 and 49, Nos. 11.32A (see footnote a), 11.41, 11.47,	30 910	15 910	150	station and the number of
3	Notification (N) ^{a)}	N1* ^{d)}		57 920	42 920		emissions, summed up for all frequency assignment groups
		N2* N3*	11.49, Sub-section IID of Article 9, Sections 1 and 2 of Article 13, Article 14 and will not be separately charged.	57 920	42 920		
		N4	Notification for recording in the MIFR of frequency assignments to a satellite network not subject to coordination under Section II of Article 9 , or to a non-geostationary satellite network subject to No. 9.21 only.	7 03	0	Not a	pplicable

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Туре		Category		Flat fee per filing (in CHF) (≥ 100 units, if applicable) ^{e)}	Start fee per filing (in CHF) (< 100 units)	Fee per unit (in CHF) (< 100 units)	Cost-recovery unit
	Plans (P)	P1	Part A Special Section for a proposed new or modified assignment in the Regions 1 and 3 List or feeder-link Lists of additional uses under §4.1.5 or proposed modification to the Region 2 Plans under §4.2.8 of Appendices 30 or 30A; or Part B Special Section for a proposed new or modified assignment in the Regions 1 and 3 List or feeder-link Lists of additional uses under §4.1.15 (except Part B special section related to the application of Resolution 548 (Rev.WRC-12)) or proposed modification to the Region 2 Plans under 4.2.19 of Appendices 30 or 30A ^b).	28 870			
		P2 ^{d)}	Notification for recording in the MIFR of frequency assignments to space stations in the broadcasting-satellite service and its associated feeder-link in Regions 1 and 3 or Region 2 under Article 5 of Appendices 30 or 30A ^{b)} .	11 5	50		
4		Р3	Coordination request in accordance with Article 2A of Appendices 30 and 30A.	12 00	00	Not a	applicable
		P4	Request for the conversion of an allotment into an assignment with modification which is beyond the envelop characteristics of the initial allotment, or for the introduction of an additional system, or for the modification of an assignment in the List in accordance with §6.1 of Article 6 of Appendix 30B; or request for inclusion of assignments into the List for converted allotment with modification which is beyond the envelop characteristics of the initial allotment, or for an additional system or for modified assignments in the List in accordance with §6.17 of Article 6 of Appendix 30B ^{c)} .	25 3:	50		
		P5 ^{d)}	Notification for recording in the MIFR of frequency assignments to space stations in the fixed satellite service under Article 8 of Appendix 30B.	20 28	30		

Fees for Categories N1, N2 and N3 are applicable to the first notification of assignments that also contains a request to apply No. **11.32A**. If the application of No. **11.32A** is not requested, 70% of the indicated fees will apply, with the remaining 30% to be charged to a subsequent request, if any, for application of No. **11.32A**.

b) Under this category, taking account that a filing for the broadcasting-satellite service and its associated feeder link in Region 2 includes both the downlink (AP30) and the feeder link (AP30A), which are examined and published together, the total fee application to such filing shall be twice the fee indicated in the column "Flat fee per filing".

c) Fees for a request in accordance with §6.17 of Article 6 of Appendix **30B** also contains a possible subsequent request (resubmission) in accordance with §6.25. A request in accordance with §6.17 of Article 6 of Appendix **30B** for a submission treated as that under §6.1 in accordance with §7.7 of Article 7 shall not be charged.

d) For cases of consolidation of frequency assignments in the MIFR of different GSO networks submitted by an administration (or an administration acting on behalf of a group of named administrations) under Article 11 of the Radio Regulations, category N1 shall apply, for cases submitted under Appendices 30 or 30A, category P2 shall apply, and for cases submitted under Appendix 30B, category P5 shall apply.

e) For non-geostationary satellite networks, the flat fee for categories C1, C2, C3, N1, N2 and N3 is applicable from 100 units to 25 000 units. From 25 000 units to 75 000 units, there is an additional fee per additional unit, equal to the flat fee divided by 50 000. Above 75 000 units, there is no additional fee per additional unit.

* Definition of category for coordination (C) and notification (N)

The category for coordination (C1, C2, C3) and for notification (N1, N2, N3) is related to the number of forms of coordination applicable to a particular satellite network coordination request or notification submission, as follows:

- C1 and N1 correspond to a satellite network filing referring to only one cost-recovery form of coordination (A, B, C, D, E or F). Both categories also include cases for which no form of coordination applies as a result of unfavourable finding under No. 11.31 of the Radio Regulations for all frequency assignments of the submitted filing, or cases including frequency assignments published for information only.
- C2 and N2 correspond to a satellite network filing referring to any two or three cost-recovery forms of coordination amongst A, B, C, D, E or F.
- C3 and N3 correspond to a satellite network filing referring to any four or more cost-recovery forms of coordination amongst A, B, C, D, E or F.

Cost-recovery form of coordination	Individual Radio Regulations forms of coordination
А	No. 9.7
В	AP30 7.1, AP30A 7.1
С	No. 9.11, RS539
D	Nos. 9.7B, 9.11A, 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14
E	No. 9.7A ⁴
F	No. 9.21

Ref.: Documents <u>C01/100</u>, <u>C01/129</u>; <u>C08/103</u>, <u>C08/106</u>; <u>C12/95(Rev.2)</u>, <u>C12/110</u>; <u>C13/112</u>, <u>C13/122</u>; <u>C17/135</u>, <u>C17/140</u>; <u>C18/114</u>, <u>C18/121</u>; <u>C19/143</u>, <u>C19/120</u>; <u>C20/70</u>, <u>VC/16</u> and <u>DM-20/1011</u>.

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⁴ Cost recovery for category C1 only. See also *decides* 11.

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DECISION 545 (C07)

Non-payment of cost recovery fees relating to satellite network filings

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considering

- a) the revision of the methodology and scale of charges for cost recovery of the processing of space notices established in Decision 482 modified by the Council at its 2002 session;
- b) the need to provide some corrective measures regarding the deviations of the charging methodology for the processing of space notices as set out in Decision 482 (CO2) for certain networks, leading to large invoices which may not be in line with the amount of work;
- c) that in Decision 513 the Council, at its 2003 session, agreed on the need to address the above issue on a temporary basis, pending a review of the charging methodology by the Council at its 2004 session;
- d) that the application of Decision 513 still resulted in some invoices having values significantly higher than CHF 100 000;
- e) that the Plenipotentiary Conference (Marrakesh, 2002), through its Resolution 88 (Rev. Marrakesh, 2002), has approved the principle of cancellation of a filing when the corresponding cost recovery payment has not been effected in due time and has set the date of 1 August 2003 to implement the corresponding provisions of the Radio Regulations;
- that in accordance with the Financial Regulations, all decisions concerning write-offs of debts of Member States shall remain the exclusive purview of the Plenipotentiary Conference;
- g) that the cancellation of the satellite network filing does not result in cancellation of the invoice issued by ITU;
- h) that Council 2005 established a revised mechanism for cost recovery of satellite network filings now included in Decision 482 (modified 2005) which has been so far satisfactory to the ITU membership,

taking account

that the Plenipotentiary Conference (Antalya, 2006) adopted Decision 10 on the implementation of additional correctives measures relating to cost recovery on satellite network filings; and

it authorized the Council to decide on the payment or non-payment of fees in respect of satellite network filings cancelled as a result of non-payment,

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recognizing

that the Radiocommunication Bureau has carried out a considerable amount of work in order to process these networks and published them in a relevant BR IFIC before being cancelled as a result of nonpayment,

recognizing further

that the Union is currently facing severe difficulty as a result of, on the one hand, maintaining zero growth in the contributory level and, on the other hand, reductions in the number of contributory units and increases in expenditures,

decides

- that for satellite network filings cancelled as a result of non-payment pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Radio Regulations, the following fees shall apply:
 - 50 per cent of the original fee on the pending invoices (Decision 10 (Antalya, 2006));
- that the payment of revised invoices shall not reinstate the regulatory rights of any network which has been cancelled due to non-payment in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Radio Regulations;
- that upon payment of the revised invoices, the cost recovery fees for the invoiced satellite network filings shall be considered satisfied;
- 4 to withdraw the necessary amount from the Reserve Account, that shall under no circumstances exceed the amount of CHF 2 760 000,

further decides

- that the *decides* 1 and 2 above shall also apply to the satellite networks filings for which the payments have been received after the cancellation of the filings in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Radio Regulations;
- that the above *decides* 1 to 2 shall only apply to cancelled satellite network filings received before 1 January 2006,

instructs the Secretary-General

to conclude repayment schedules with any Member States that so request following the revision of invoices relating to the implementation of cost recovery for satellite network filings concerned by this Decision in the light of Resolution 41 (Rev. Antalya, 2006).

List of administrations and revised fees under *decides* 1 of Decision 545 (Council 2007)

Administration	Revised total fee (CHF)
Australia	147 898.50
Brazil	14 000.00
China	253 696.00
Egypt	8 400.00
France	1 289 887.00
Netherlands	8 400.00
India	10 222.50
Indonesia	15 156.00
Islamic Rep. of Iran	21 000.00
Lao P.D.R.	126 928.00
Luxembourg	45 000.00
Mexico	8 400.00
Norway	11 200.00
Philippines	6 477.50
Russian Federation	254 293.50
Uruguay	58 180.00
United States	276 178.00
VEN/ASA	29 400.00
Viet Nam	34 400.00
Total	2 619 117.00

List of administrations and revised fees under *further decides* 1 of Decision 545 (Council 2007)

Administration	Revised total fee (CHF)
Australia	13 300.00
Belarus	52 500.00
Israel	12 310.00
Russian Federation	21 000.00
United States	39 253.00
Total	138 363.00

Ref.: Documents <u>C07/85</u> and <u>C07/104</u>.

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DECISION 613 (C19)

General Audit Following the Case of Fraud at a Regional Office

The Council,

expressing its deep concerns

with respect to the misappropriations recently exposed, in particular their magnitude, ease of perpetration and of the weak detection mechanisms in place,

acknowledging the need

for effective oversight and audit mechanisms, effective people, processes, policies and procedures systems, clear delegation of authority on all processes and approvals, in order to enable timely, appropriate action to address concerns such as these, including through best practices that reflect the independence of the investigation process, strong ethics functions, and a corporate culture that encourages identifying and addressing institutional shortcomings,

recognising

the commitment, quality of work and integrity of the staff of the Union,

recognising further

the whistle-blower whose conduct allowed the uncovering of these misappropriations, and that further action is needed to strengthen whistleblower protections at the organization,

expressing its gratitude

to the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand for its willingness to assist with further investigation of the recently uncovered misconduct in the ITU Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific,

recalling

that the reputation of the Union relative to the diligent, careful, and efficient management of the funds put at its disposition by the contributing members and donors is of paramount importance,

having considered

the special report and recommendations by the External Auditor to address an instance of fraud at the ITU (Document C19/106), the Secretary-General's response and Document C19/108), including all audit recommendations, in particular recommendations 9 and 11 and point IV in the executive summary of Document C19/106,

intending

to investigate all activities of the Union where misappropriations might have taken place, ensure that Council members have oversight of the reform process, and identify whether further reforms are needed,

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decides to instruct the Secretary-General

- to mandate an external enterprise specialized in financial crime investigations with carrying out a forensic audit of the International Telecommunication Union in order to identify any instances of fraud or other financial misconduct over the course of the past 10 years;
- in consultation with IMAC, prior to tendering, to prepare the Terms of Reference for the external enterprise, to ensure that it takes into account vulnerabilities of the organisation to fraud, including but not limited to those already identified in ITU internal auditor, external auditor and IMAC reports and recommendations;
- 3 to ensure that the audit should determine in fact whether the organisation has suffered further loss or injury in addition to the known case of fraud in the ITU Regional office for Asia and the Pacific;
- 4 to recover funds lost and take action, including legal proceedings against the perpetrator and any other entities, as necessary;
- to present the final report of the above-mentioned enterprise at the 2021 session of Council; such report including recommendations on strengthening ITU internal controls and management accountability; and interim reports shall be provided at the CWG-FHR meetings, to IMAC and Council-20 to take necessary action as appropriate,

further decides

that an initial amount of CHF 1.1 million be allocated to fund this forensic audit from the 2018 budget implementation savings in accordance with relevant Council Decisions; the financial allocation could be reviewed by Council-20,

further instructs the Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources

based on conclusions of the audit, and in consultation with the Ethics Office and the Internal Audit Unit, to recommend actions for ITU Council to strengthen the independence of ITU oversight and audit functions, ethics framework, and investigation procedures in view of UN system-wide best practice and UN Joint Inspection Unit recommendations as appropriate, and to the extent prudent, to advise the UN Joint Inspection Unit with respect to any relevant matters,

invites the membership, the management, the staff, the experts and the service providers currently and previously under contract with the ITU

to co-operate fully and provide all necessary support to the endeavour of restoring the trustworthiness of the Union,

encourages

other potential whistle-blowers knowledgeable of possible wrongdoings damageable to the Union to come forward.

Ref.: Documents <u>C19/130</u> and <u>C19/120</u>.

DECISION 621 (C20)

Appointment of the new External Auditors

The ITU (Council,
	considering
a)	Resolution 94 (Rev. Dubai, 2018);
	the report of the Appraisal Committee for the selection of the External Auditor of the ITU in the C20/49, $\frac{\text{C20}}{\text{A9}}$,
	taking into account
the ITU F	inancial Regulations and Financial Rules (2018);
	decides
	nt the UK's National Audit Office as the external auditor of the ITU for auditing its 2022, 2023, d 2025 financial statements,
	instructs the Secretary-General
_	this Decision to the notice of the Comptroller and Auditor General of the UK's National Audit do enter into an agreement with him, as appropriate.
Ref.: Do	ocuments <u>C20/83</u> , <u>VC-2/13</u> and <u>DM-20/1022</u> .

DECISION 633 (C23)

Appointment of members of the Independent Management Advisory Committee

The ITU Council,

considering

the report by the selection panel for the Independent Management Advisory Committee (IMAC) on the appointment of members of IMAC,

taking into account

the terms of reference of IMAC contained in annex to Resolution 162 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference,

decides

- to appoint the following six independent experts as members of IMAC, to serve from 1 January 2024 for a term of four years:
- a Mr Honore NDOKO, a national of Cameroon (current member, eligible for reappointment);
- b Mr Henrique SCHNEIDER, a national of Switzerland (current member, eligible for reappointment);
- c Ms Chitrawati Usha BARTH-RADHAKISHUN, a national of Suriname;
- d Mr Niels Osric Akwasiba HARPER, a national of Barbados;
- e Mr Christof Gabriel MAETZE, a national of Germany;
- f Mr Bassam HAGE, a national of Lebanon;
- to note that the selection panel has transmitted to the ITU General Secretariat the names of three qualified candidates in the event of a need to fill a vacancy arising during the term of IMAC.

Ref.: Documents C23/23, C23/104(Rev.1), C23/112 and C23/127.

DECISION 634 (C23)

Cancellation of interest on arrears and irrecoverable debts

The ITU Council,

having examined

the report by the Secretary-General on arrears and special arrears accounts (Document C23/11),

decides

to approve the writing-off of the following interest on arrears and irrecoverable debts in the amount of **CHF 2 969 139.02** against a corresponding withdrawal from the Reserve for Debtors' Accounts. Please refer to the details in the table below.

Country	Organization	Year	Principal	Interest	Total
Libya	General Auth. of Comms. & Informatics	2014-2022	0.00	733 619.90	733 619.90
United Arab Emirates	Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority (TDRA)	2022	0.00	27 124.40	27 124.40
	Sub-total 3.2		0.00	760 744.30	760 744.30
Algeria	INPTIC, Alger	2012-2013	2 318.40	1 795.65	4 114.05
Côte d'Ivoire	Association des Consommateurs de Télécommunications de Côte d'Ivoire - ACOTELCI, Abidjan	2007-2008	4 306.25	6 057.80	10 364.05
Côte d'Ivoire	Côte d'Ivoire Telecom, Abidjan	2002-2006	335 325.00	648 802.50	984 127.50
Fiji	South Pacific Commission, Suva	2012-2013	3 975.00	3 025.00	7 000.00
Finland	Octagon Telecom Oy (former Oy Cubio Communications Ltd.), Helsinki	2012-2013	13 066.67	1 156.75	14 223.42
India	Tata Communications, New Delhi	2013	3 975.00	2 992.55	6 967.55
India	Vihaan Ntwks. Ltd., Gurgaon	2013	35 775.00	26 932.70	62 707.70
Mexico	CANITEC, Mexico City	2011-2013	3 975.00	3 171.40	7 146.40
Pakistan	e Worldwide Group, Islamabad	2011-2013	3 975.00	3 072.05	7 047.05
Sudan	Open University of Sudan, Khartoum	2013-2014	2 484.35	1 638.90	4 123.25
Tunisia	Orascom Telecom Tunisiana, Tunis Carthage	2013	3 975.00	2 992.55	6 967.55
United Kingdom	KRE Corporate Recovery LLP (former ICO Satellite Limited), Berks	2012-2013	24 733.20	2 082.30	26 815.50
United States	Animatele Inc., New York	2011	10 600.00	10 276.55	20 876.55
United States	AOL, New York	2002-2003	78 750.00	175 431.40	254 181.40
United States	Compuware Corporation, Detroit	2009-2010	7 949.70	8 826.10	16 775.80
United States	Covad Communications Co., San Jose	2001-2002	46 142.25	113 040.70	159 182.95
United States	Cypress Semiconductor Corp., San Jose	2004-2005	16 625.00	31 081.10	47 706.10
United States	Lightwaves Inc., Cedar Rapids	2009	10 600.00	12 856.90	23 456.90
United States	The Village Group Inc., Waltham	2007-2008	7 950.00	10 735.25	18 685.25
United States	Vocal Technologies Ltd, Amherst	1998-2002	160 100.00	365 825.75	525 925.75
	Sub-total 3.3	,	776 600.82	1 431 793.90	2 208 394.72
Grand Total			776 600.82	2 192 538.20	2 969 139.02

Ref.: Documents <u>C23/11</u>, <u>C23/104(Rev.1)</u>, <u>C23/112</u> and <u>C23/128</u>.

2 STAFF MATTERS

2.1 Conditions of employment

RESOLUTION 260 (C-1952, last amended C-1954)

Leave for military service

The Council,

considering that when ITU staff are given leave for military service, no matter how long their period of military service may be, the salaries of that staff together with any other expenses in connection with the calling-up order, shall be borne by the country on behalf of which the military service is performed,

resolves that the Union shall bear no expenses in relation to its staff called up for military service, invites the Secretary-General to comply with this decision.

Ref.: Document 1606/CA9 (1954).

RESOLUTION 261 (C-1952)

Position of families of Union officials liable to mobilization

The Council,

considering

- a) Resolution 260;
- b) the position of ITU staff in two World Wars;
- c) that internationalization of the staff of the ITU has brought the nationals of distant countries to Geneva;
- the position which might arise for their families if ITU officials were mobilized,
 resolves that, provisionally, the following action may be taken:
- the Union to bear the cost of repatriating the family of a mobilized official to its country of origin if the competent authorities of the country in question cannot repatriate them;

- 2 if repatriation of the family proves impossible, the Union to pay the family half the basic salary of the official concerned;
- the preceding paragraph not to apply to the families of mobilized officials which for personal reasons refuse repatriation, if repatriation is possible, nor to the families of officials of Swiss nationality;
- 4 the Union will undertake to recover from the countries of which the families of its officials are nationals the expenditure incurred in virtue of this Resolution.

Ref.: Document 1239/CA7 (1952).

RESOLUTION 626 (C-1968, last amended C-1984)

Advertisement of vacancies

The Council,

in view of

- a) the provisions of Resolution 58 of the Plenipotentiary Conference, Nairobi, 1982, instructing the Council to keep the question of the geographical distribution of Union staff under review in order that the objective of a wider and more representative distribution be achieved;
- b) the difficulties which candidates from developing countries may experience in connection with the language requirements prescribed in the grading standards approved by the Council at its 33rd session, although they may be otherwise adequately qualified,

resolves to authorize a relaxation of the requirements of the grading standards so that, when candidates from such countries possess a thorough knowledge of one of the working languages of the Union, their applications may be taken into consideration,

instructs the Secretary-General to inform Members accordingly in circular-letters advertising vacant posts.

Ref.: Documents 3828/CA23 (1968), 5703/CA36 (1981), 6197/CA39 (1984).

RESOLUTION 647 (C-1969, last amended C03)

Changes in the United Nations common system conditions of remuneration

The Council,

in view of the provisions of Nos. 64 to 68 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992),

instructs the Secretary-General, subject to action to be taken subsequently by the Council:

- to introduce changes in the conditions of service and the basic salary scales of staff in the senior counsellor, professional and general service categories, the rates and class of post adjustment, the overtime rates and the various allowances when these changes, as adopted in the United Nations common system, become applicable for Geneva;
- to introduce the amendments to the Staff Regulations and the Staff Rules resulting from those changes, not including any amendments to the Staff Regulations that concern matters not falling within the purview of the common system, which must be submitted to the Council for approval;
- 3 to submit to the next session of the Council a full report including all documentation, justifying the action taken and a statement of the financial consequences.

Ref.: Documents 3977/CA24 (1969), 4965/CA31 (1976), 6197/CA39 (1984), 6658 and 6694/CA42 (1987), C97/106 and C97/123, C03/58 and C03/66.

RESOLUTION 685 (C-1971, last amended C-1981)

International recruitment procedure

The Council,

considering pertinent provisions in the Staff Regulations and Rules,

having examined the report by the Secretary-General concerning the international recruitment of Union staff,

invites the Members of the Union to cooperate to the fullest extent possible with the Secretary-General in helping to secure for the Union the services of staff possessing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity.

Ref.: Documents 4253/CA26 (1971), 4965/CA31 (1976), 5703/CA36 (1981).

RESOLUTION 792 (C-1977, last amended C-1981)

Proposed amendments to Staff Regulations and Staff Rules

The Council,

having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on proposed amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules for Elected Officials and the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules applicable to appointed staff,

authorizes the Secretary-General to amend the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules for Elected Officials and/or Staff Regulations and Staff Rules applicable to appointed staff in the future, without seeking prior approval of the Council in respect of those amendments which are necessary to delete obsolete references or to make minor changes in editing which do not entail changes in substance.

Ref.: Documents 5125/CA32 (1977), 5703/CA36 (1981).

RESOLUTION 1004 (C-1990)

Privileges, immunities and facilities related to activities of the Union

The Council,

being aware of the fact that many activities of the Union, such as conferences and meetings (including regional telecommunication exhibitions and forums), seminars, regional representations and missions as well as services related to the implementation of technical assistance and cooperation projects are carried out not only at the seat of the Union, but also to a large extent in the territory of various Member States of the Union,

mindful of Article 17 of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi 1982, which provides that "the Union shall enjoy in the territory of each of its Members such legal capacity as may be necessary for the exercise of its functions and the fulfilment of its purposes",

considering that it is essential that the Union's activities referred to above be carried out under the available privileges, immunities and facilities,

recalling that the "Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies", approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 21 November 1947 and accepted by the Union, precisely provides for such privileges, immunities and facilities needed by the Union, as one of the specialized agencies of the United Nations, for carrying out its activities,

recalling also its Resolution 193 on the latter Convention as well as its Decision 304 on the "Participation of the Delegations of Members of the Union in Conferences and Meetings of the Union",

noting, however, that quite a considerable number of the Members of the Union, i.e. almost half of them, have either not acceded at all to the latter Convention or have acceded thereto, but not with regard to the Union,

convinced that it is, in the interest of the Union, indispensable that the activities of the Union such as the ones referred to above be carried out in the territory of Member States of the Union having either become Parties to the latter Convention in respect of the Union or formally declared that they will apply the provisions of the said Convention to those activities of the Union, or otherwise having accorded sufficient privileges and immunities,

resolves

- to urge hereby all the Members of the Union not having done so yet to accede to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies of 21 November 1947 in respect of the International Telecommunication Union (see Section 41 of the said Convention) and to urge all those Members, which have acceded thereto, but not in respect of the Union, to do so by communicating a "subsequent written notification to the Secretary-General of the United Nations", in which they "undertake to apply the provisions of this Convention to" the International Telecommunication Union (see Section 43 of the said Convention);
- to call upon hereby any Member of the Union, which has not yet acceded to the said Convention, or communicated the subsequent written notification referred to in paragraph 1 above, in respect of the Union, to ensure that the competent governmental authority formally declares that the provisions of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agency shall apply to those activities of the Union, which are to be carried out in its territory, or otherwise accord equivalent privileges and immunities;
- 3 to reconfirm hereby its Resolution 193 and its Decision 304 referred to above, the provision of which shall continue to be applied,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to bring the present Resolution immediately to the attention of all the Members of the Union;
- to do everything in his power to ensure the appropriate implementation of the provisions of the present Resolution and to keep the Council informed, as appropriate, of any practical difficulties encountered by him in this respect, including of any measures he had to take in respect of any non-compliance with those provisions, in particular with regard to those activities of the Union, for which he cannot await any decision by the Council at its annual session prior to their being carried out or not.

Ref.: Documents 7055 and 7074/CA45 (1990).

RESOLUTION 1142 (C-1999)

Occupational illness

The Council,

having regard to Resolution 97 (Minneapolis, 1998) on occupational illness, adopted by the Plenipotentiary Conference,

resolves to instruct the Secretary-General

- a) to ensure that the safety, health and environmental standards in force in the host country of the Union are applied at ITU and to report on the matter to the Council at its 2000 session;
- b) to continue to study the issue of covering the risks of illness occurring by reason of prior employment with ITU and affecting former staff members of the Union, and to submit a report to the Council for its possible decision at its 2000 session.

Ref.: Documents <u>C99/117</u> and <u>C99/132</u>.

RESOLUTION 1369 (C14)

Amendments to Staff Regulations applicable to appointed Staff

The Council,

in view of

No 63 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union and of Staff Regulation 12.1,

having considered

the report by the Secretary-General on the action plan established for 2014 for the implementation of the ITU Gender Equality and Mainstreaming Policy (GEM) approved by the Council at its 2013 session,

resolves

to approve the amendments to the Staff Regulations applicable to appointed staff contained in Annex to this Resolution.

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ANNEX

Amendments to Staff Regulations applicable to appointed Staff

Regulation 4.9 Appointment and Promotion Board

- a) The Secretary-General shall establish an Appointment and Promotion Board to advise him (and, if appropriate, the Director of the Bureau concerned) in all cases where a vacancy is advertised.
- b) The Appointment and Promotion Board shall comprise a representative of the General Secretariat and of each Bureau of the Union and, for posts in the General Service (G.1 to G.7) and Professional (P.1 to P.5) categories, two staff representatives or their alternates designated by the Secretary-General from a list of names submitted by the Staff Council. When designating members and alternates, the Secretary-General shall do the utmost to ensure that both women and men are represented in the composition of the Board for each category of posts. The Chief of the Human Resources Management Department or his/her designated representative shall also participate *ex officio* in all Board meetings in an advisory capacity and shall serve as its Secretary. The General Secretariat and each Bureau of the Union shall be represented:
- i) by the Secretary-General and the Directors* or their designated representatives of grade **P.5** or higher level, for posts of grade P.5 and above;
- ii) by an official of grade **P.5** or higher level, designated by the Secretary-General and the Director concerned respectively, for posts of grades P.1 to P.4;
- by an official of grade P.5 or above, designated by the Secretary-General and the Director concerned respectively, for posts of grades G.1 to G.7.
- c) All participants in a meeting of the Appointment and Promotion Board, with the exception of staff representatives, shall hold a grade at least equal to that of the post under consideration.
- d) Meetings of the Board shall be chaired by the regular representative with the highest grade or, in the event of equal grades, with the highest seniority.
- e) The Appointment and Promotion Board shall establish its own Rules of Procedure. Its proceedings shall, in principle, be secret. Its Rules of Procedure may, however, authorize the transmission of certain information to candidates.
- f) The Secretary-General shall report to the next regular session of the Council whenever he proposes to take an appointment or promotion decision which is contrary to the advice of the Appointment and Promotion Board. The final decision shall be taken subject to the Council's agreement. The effect of that decision shall be retroactive in the case of promotions.

Ref ·	Documents	C14	/99 and	C14	/104
116/	Documents	CIT	/ JJ ullu	CIT	<i>/ 104.</i>

^{*} The Deputy Secretary-General shall attend as an observer.

RESOLUTION 1392 (C18)

Staff Regulations applicable to Elected Officials

The Council,

in view of

- a) No 63 of the ITU Convention and Regulation XI.1 of Staff Regulations applicable to elected officials;
- b) Council Decision 593 adopted at its 2016 session endorsing the elements of the new compensation package for staff in the professional and higher categories proposed by the International Civil Service Commission and approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations in its Resolution 70/244 of 23 December 2015; and
- c) Council Resolution 1388 resolving that elements of the new compensation package are applicable to elected officials on the same effective dates and instructing the Secretary-General to revise accordingly the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules applicable to elected officials,

having considered

Document C18/68 submitted by the Secretary-General,

resolves

to adopt the proposed amendments the Staff Regulations applicable to elected officials as shown in the Annex to this Resolution.

Ref.: Documents <u>C18/116</u> and <u>C18/121</u>.

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Amended Regulation with revision marks	Amended Regulation	Rationale for change
CHAPTER II SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES	CHAPTER II SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES	
Regulation II.1 Salaries and allowances a)1. The salaries of elected officials shall be set in accordance with the provisions of Resolution 46 adopted by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994). A staff assessment shall be applied to the gross salaries at the rates specified in paragraph c) of the present Regulation, as approved by the Council in its Resolution 998. Annex III to Staff Regulations. The amount remaining after deduction of this assessment shall be the net salary. b) Except where otherwise provided in these Regulations and Rules, "salary" shall mean the net salary arrived at under paragraph a). c) i) The dependency rates of staff assessment shall apply when: the elected official's spouse is recognized as a dependant under Regulation II.4; or a child is recognized as a dependent child under Regulation II.4. ii) Where both husband and wife are staff members of the Union, the United Nations or a specialized agency, whose salaries are subject to the staff assessment rates specified in Annex III to these Regulations, assessment shall apply to each at the single	Regulation II.1 Salaries and allowances 1. The salaries of elected officials shall be set in accordance with the provisions of Resolution 46 adopted by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994). A staff assessment shall be applied to the gross salaries at the rates specified in Annex III to Staff Regulations. The amount remaining after deduction of this assessment shall be the net salary.	Amended in order to implement the new unified salary scale
rate. If they have a dependent child or children, the dependency rate shall apply to the spouse having the higher salary level and the single rate to the other spouse.		
<u>d)2.</u> The assessment shall be calculated according to the rates set out in Annex III to these Regulations.	2. The assessment shall be calculated according to the rates set out in Annex III to these Regulations.	

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Amended Regulation with revision marks	Amended Regulation	Rationale for change
Regulation II.3 Education grant	Regulation II.3 Education grant	
A. Definitions		
1. For the purposes of this Regulation: a) "Child" shall be a child for whom the elected official has the responsibility in accordance with Regulation II.4. "Disabled child" shall be a child who is unable, by reasons of physical or mental disability, to attend a normal educational institution and therefore requires special teaching or training to prepare him for full integration into society or, while attending a normal educational institution, requires special teaching or training to assist him in overcoming the disability. b) "Home country" shall be the country of home leave of the elected official. If both parents are eligible staff members, "home country" shall be the country of home leave of either parent. c) "Duty station" shall be the area within a radius of 25 km of Union headquarters, including any area situated beyond the frontier of the country in which Union headquarters is located. d) "Cost of attendance" shall include the cost of enrolment, prescribed textbooks, courses, examinations and diplomas and boarding fees, when applicable, but not school uniforms or optional charges. Where local conditions justify such provision, the cost of attendance may include the cost of midday meals, if these are provided by the school, and the cost of daily group transportation. Local transport costs for disabled children may be refunded up to double the cost of normal daily group transportation.		The former first paragraph "Definitions" is moved from Staff Regulations to Staff Rules for reasons of brevity and style, as well as consistency of the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules.

Amended Regulation with revision marks	Amended Regulation	Rationale for change
21. The Secretary-General shall establish terms and conditions under which: a)an education grant shall be available to an elected official of other than Swiss nationality whose child is in full-time attendance at a school, university, or similar educational institution of a type which will, in the opinion of the Secretary-General, facilitate the dependent child's resettlement in the elected official's home country. Travel costs of the child may also be paid for an outward and return journey once in each scholastic year between the educational institution and the duty station, such travel shall be by a route approved by the Secretary-General, but not in an amount exceeding the cost of such a journey between the home country and the duty station; b) an education grant shall also be available to an elected official serving in a country whose language is different from his own and who is obliged to pay tuition for the teaching of the mother tongue to a dependent child attending a local school, in which the instruction is given in a language other than his own; 2.e) The Secretary-General shall also establish terms and conditions under which an special education grant, non-cumulative with the grant payable under paragraph 1 above, shall be made available to an elected official whether expatriate or not, provided he/she has an appointment for one year or longer or has completed one year of continuous service, for a disabled child whose child is unable, for reasons of physical or mental disability, to attend a normal educational institution and therefore requires special teaching or training to prepare him or her for full integration into society or, while attending a normal educational institution, requires special teaching or training to assist him or her in overcoming the disability. 3. Travel costs of a child of an elected official in receipt of assistance for boarding-related expenses may also be paid, once in every school year, for an outward and return journey between the child's educational institution	1. The Secretary-General shall establish terms and conditions under which an education grant shall be available to an elected official of other than Swiss nationality whose child is in full-time attendance at a school, university, or similar educational institution of a type which will, in the opinion of the Secretary-General, facilitate the dependent child's resettlement in the elected official's home country; 2. The Secretary-General shall also establish terms and conditions under which a special education grant, non-cumulative with the grant payable under paragraph 1 above, shall be made available to an elected official whether expatriate or not, provided he/she has an appointment for one year or longer or has completed one year of continuous service whose child is unable, for reasons of physical or mental disability, to attend a normal educational institution and therefore requires special teaching or training to prepare him or her for full integration into society or, while attending a normal educational institution, requires special teaching or training to assist him or her in overcoming the disability. 3. Travel costs of a child of an elected official in receipt of assistance for boarding-related expenses may also be paid, once in every school year, for an outward and return journey between the child's educational institution and the elected official's duty station. Such travel shall be by a route approved by the Secretary-General.	The former second paragraph is amended in order to: 1. reflect the UN General's Assembly's decision that limits assistance for boarding-related expenses to staff serving in field duty stations who attend boarding school outside the duty station, and to provide flexibility for the Secretary-General to establish conditions under which boarding assistance would exceptionally be granted to staff at headquarters duty stations; 2. clarify the special education grant that shall be paid for a disabled child; 3. reflect the fact that mother tongue tuition is included in admissible expenses taken into account for payment of the education grant, and can therefore be further detailed in Staff Rules.

Amended Regulation with revision marks	Amended Regulation	Rationale for change
Regulation II.4 Dependency allowances 1. Definition of dependency For the purposes of these Staff Regulations and Staff Rules: a) A "dependant spouse" shall be a spouse whose occupational earnings, if any, do not exceed the lowest entry level of the United Nations General Service gross salary scales in force on 1 January of the year concerned for the duty station in the country of the spouse's place of work, provided that, in the case of staff in the Professional category or above, the amount shall not at any duty station be less than the equivalent of the lowest entry level at the base of the salary system (G-2, step 1, for New York).	1. Elected officials shall be entitled to receive non-pensionable dependency allowances for a dependent spouse, for a dependent child, for a disabled child and for a secondary dependant. 2. a) The elected official shall receive a spouse allowance for his/her dependent spouse. However, when husband and wife have been legally separated, the Secretary-General shall decide, in each case, whether the allowance shall be paid.	Amended in order to introduce the concept of the single parent allowance and to take into account the introduction of the new unified salary scale; The former first paragraph "Definitions" is moved from Staff Regulations
 Elected officials shall be entitled to receive non-pensionable dependency allowances for a dependent spouse, for a dependent child, for a disabled child and for a secondary dependant. a) The elected official shall receive a spouse allowance for his/her dependent spouse. However, \(\frac{\text{\text{Ww}}}{\text{hen}}\) hen husband and wife have been legally separated, the Secretary-General shall decide, in each case, whether the allowance shall be paid. b) The elected official shall receive a child allowance for each dependent child, except that the allowance shall not be paid in respect of the first dependent child if the elected official receives a single parent allowance. c) The elected official in the professional or higher category who is a single parent shall receive, in lieu of the dependent child allowance, a single parent allowance in respect of the first dependent child. 	 b) The elected official shall receive a child allowance for each dependent child, except that the allowance shall not be paid in respect of the first dependent child if the elected official receives a single parent allowance. c) The elected official in the professional or higher category who is a single parent shall receive, in lieu of the dependent child allowance, a single parent allowance in respect of the first dependent child. d) The elected official shall receive a special child allowance for each disabled child. However, if the elected official is entitled to the single parent allowance in respect of a disabled child, the allowance shall be the same as the child allowance referred to in paragraph 1.b) above. e) Where there is no dependent spouse, the elected 	to Staff Rules for reasons of brevity and style, as well as consistency of the Staff Rules and Staff Regulations; New paragraphs 2. a) to 2. d) have been introduced in order to clarify the framework of dependency allowances, in terms of designation and compatibility between them; Former paragraph 1. d) is replaced by the new
d) The elected official shall receive a special child allowance for each disabled child. However, if the elected official is entitled to the single parent allowance in respect of a disabled child, the allowance shall be the same as the child allowance referred to in paragraph 1.b) above. e) Where there is no dependent spouse, the elected official shall receive a single secondary dependent allowance for either a dependent parent, a dependent brother or a dependent sister.	official shall receive a single secondary dependent allowance for either a dependent parent, a dependent brother or a dependent sister.	paragraph 2. e) and former paragraph 1. e) is replaced by the new paragraph 2. f).

Amended Regulation with revision marks	Amended Regulation	Rationale for change
f) With a view to avoiding duplication of benefits and in order to achieve equality of benefits between elected officials, the amount of any dependency allowance received by the elected official or by his/her spouse for a dependent child in the form of a grant from any source external to the Union, shall be deducted from an allowance paid to the elected official by the Union in respect of this dependent child. b) A "dependant child" shall be: i) an elected official's natural or legally adopted child, or ii) an elected official's stepchild, if residing with the elected official, under the age of 18 years or, if the child is in full-time attendance at a school or university (or similar educational institution), under the age of 21 years, for whom the elected official provides main and continuing support. The Secretary-General shall establish special conditions under which other children, who fulfil the age, school attendance and support requirements indicated above, may be regarded as dependent children of an elected official. If a child over the age of 18 years is physically or mentally incapacitated for substantial gainful employment, either permanently or for a period expected to be of long duration, the requirements as to school attendance and age shall be waived.	f) With a view to avoiding duplication of benefits and in order to achieve equality of benefits between elected officials, the amount of any dependency allowance received by the elected official or by his/her spouse for a dependent child in the form of a grant from any source external to the Union, shall be deducted from an allowance paid to the elected official by the Union in respect of this dependent child.	
An elected official claiming a child as dependant must certify that he has assumed responsibility for the main and continuing support of that child. Documentary evidence satisfactory to the Secretary-General, must always be produced in support of the claim in the following cases: i) if divorce or legal separation has occurred and the natural or legally adopted child is not residing with the elected official;	3. On the basis of recommendations and decisions of the ICSC, the Secretary-General shall determine, in the Staff Rules, the conditions and amounts of the dependency allowances.	

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ii) where legal adoption is not possible and the child is residing with the elected official who has responsibility for him as a member of the family;		
iii) if the child is married.		
c) A "secondary dependant" shall be the father, mother, brother or		
sister of whose financial support the elected official provides one half or more,		
and in any case at least twice the amount of the dependency allowance,		
provided that the brother or sister fulfils the same age and school attendance		
requirements established for a dependent child. If the brother or sister is		
physically or mentally incapacitated for substantial gainful employment, either		
permanently or for a period expected to be of long duration, the requirements		
as to school attendance and age shall be waived.		
d) A dependency allowance shall be paid in respect of not more than		
one dependant parent, brother or sister; such payment shall not be made		
where dependency benefit is being paid for a spouse.		
e) With a view to avoiding duplication of benefits and in order to		
achieve equality between elected officials who receive dependency benefits		
under applicable laws in the form of governmental grants and elected officials		
who do not receive such dependency benefits, the Secretary-General shall		
prescribe conditions under which the dependency allowance for a child		
specified in Section 3 below, shall be payable only to the extent that the		
dependency benefits enjoyed by the elected official or his spouse under		
applicable laws amount to less than such a dependency allowance.		
3. On the basis of recommendations and decisions of the ICSC, the		
Secretary-General shall determine, in the Staff Rules, the conditions and		
amounts of the dependency allowances.		

Amended Regulation with revision marks	Amended Regulation	Rationale for change
CHAPTER X APPEALS	CHAPTER X APPEALS	
Regulation X.1 Appeal Board Elected officials may be called upon shall be required to participate in the administrative machinery body provided for under Regulation 11.1 and Rule 11.1.4—3 of the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules applicable to appointed staff members.	Regulation X.1 Appeal Board Elected officials may be called upon to participate in the administrative body provided for under Regulation 11.1 and Rule 11.1.3 of the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules applicable to appointed staff members.	Amendments introduced to reflect
Regulation X.2 Administrative Tribunals Any elected official shall be entitled to appeal to the Administrative Tribunal of the International Labour Organization as provided in the Statute of the Tribunal, and or to the United Nations Administrative Appeals Tribunal with regard to appeals concerning the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund.	Regulation X.2 Administrative Tribunals Any elected official shall be entitled to appeal to the Administrative Tribunal of the International Labour Organization as provided in the Statute of the Tribunal, or to the United Nations Appeals Tribunal with regards to appeals concerning the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund.	mechanism, as well as editorial amendments
Regulation X.3 Appeals to the Administrative Tribunals by elected officials In the case of appeals which may be made to the Administrative Tribunals by the Secretary-General, or by an elected official, the following procedure must be followed: a) No appeal to the Tribunals may be made by the Secretary-General until the matter has been considered by the Council of the Union. b) No appeal to the Tribunals may be made by other elected officials, alleging non-observance of the terms of appointment or of the provisions of the Staff Regulations or Staff Rules for elected officials until a final decision has been taken by the Secretary-General.	Regulation X.3 Appeals to the Administrative Tribunals by elected officials In the case of appeals which may be made to the Administrative Tribunals by the Secretary-General, or by an elected official, the following procedure must be followed: a) No appeal to the Tribunals may be made by the Secretary-General until the matter has been considered by the Council of the Union. b) No appeal to the Tribunals may be made by other elected officials, alleging non-observance of the terms of appointment or of the provisions of the Staff Regulations or Staff Rules for elected officials until a final decision has been taken by the Secretary-General.	

Staff Regulations and Staff Rules applicable to elected official

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ANNEX III

STAFF ASSESSMENT RATES

<u>Bracket</u>				
	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	Bracket size	Tax percentage
	Ξ	50 000	<u>50 000</u>	<u>17</u>
	50 000	100 000	<u>50 000</u>	<u>24</u>
	100 000	150 000	<u>50 000</u>	<u>30</u>
	150 000	<u>Upward</u>	Ξ	<u>34</u>

(Effective: 1 March 1995)

Assessment (per cent)			
Total assessable payments per year (in US dollars)		Staff assessment rates for purpose of pensionable remuneration and pensions	
First	15,000	-4	
Next	10,000	20	
	10,000	25	
	20,000	29	
	20,000	32	
	20,000	35	
	30,000	37	
Remaining assessable payments		39	

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Total assessable payments per	Staff assessment rates used in conjunction with gross base salaries and the gross amounts of separation payments (per cent)		
(in US dollars)	Elected official with an eligible dependent spouse or dependent child	Elected official with neither an eligible dependent spouse nor dependent child	
First 15,000	-9.0	12.4	
Next 5,000	21.0	26.9	
5,000	25.0	30.3	
5,000	29.0	34.6	
5,000	32.0	36.9	
10,000	35.0	40.5	
10,000	37.0	42.7	
10,000	39.0	44.5	
10,000	40.0	45.4	
15,000	41.0	46.0	
20,000	42.0	50.0	
Remaining assessable payments	43.0	52.5	

ANNEX IV

TABLE OF EDUCATION GRANT ENTITLEMENTS IN LOCAL CURRENCY

Global sliding scale for reimbursement (Effective from school year in progress on 1 January 19952018)

Claim amount in USD	Reimbursement rate (percentage)
<u>0 - 11,600</u>	<u>86</u>
<u>11,601 – 17,400</u>	<u>81</u>
<u>17,401 – 23,200</u>	<u>76</u>
23,201 – 29,000	<u>71</u>
<u>29,001 – 34,800</u>	<u>66</u>
34,801 – 40,600	<u>61</u>
<u>> 40,601</u>	<u>0</u>

Currency	Maximum allowable educational expenses*	Maximum education grant	Flat rate for boarding
Austrian schilling	152,100	114,075	33,800
Belgian franc	423,000	317,250	94,000
Danish krone	77,400	58,050	17,200
Deutsche mark	29,035	21,775	6,454
Finnish markka	54,000	40,500	12,000
French franc	61,200	45,900	13,600
Irish pound	6,561	4,921	1,458
Italian lira	19,800,000	14,850,000	4,400,000
Japanese yen	2,115,000	1,586,250	470,000
Luxembourg franc	423,000	317,250	94,000
Netherlands guilder	27,000	20,250	6,000
Norwegian krone	63,900	47,925	14,200
Spanish peseta	1,572,710	1,179,530	349,556
Swedish krona	83,250	62,438	18,500
Swiss franc	20,097	15,070	4,466
United Kingdom pound sterling	11,250	8,438	2,500
United States dollar	16,900	12,675	3,770
United States dollar (maxima applicable to expenses incurred in all other currencies not listed above 1)	13,000	9,750	2,900

^{*} The amounts indicated under maximum allowable educational expenses shall also constitute the "maximum special education grant" under Regulation II.3, part H (Special education grant for disabled children).

^{1—}Maxima applicable to the 14 Communauté financière africaine franc countries.

RESOLUTION 1419 (C23)

Conditions of service of ITU elected officials

The ITU Council,

recalling

Resolution 46 (Kyoto, 1994) of the Plenipotentiary Conference,

having considered

the report by the Secretary-General on the measures taken within the United Nations common system as a result of Resolution 77/256 of the United Nations General Assembly with regard to conditions of service,

resolves

to approve the following salaries with effect from 1 January 2023, and pensionable remuneration with effect from 1 February 2023, for ITU elected officials:

	USD per annum		
	Gross (1 January 2023)	Net (1 January 2023)	Pensionable remuneration (1 February 2023)
Secretary-General	257 276	185 302	434 756
Deputy Secretary-General and Directors of the Bureaux	234 229	170 091	403 221

Ref.: Documents <u>C23/18</u>, <u>C23/104(Rev.1)</u>, <u>C23/112</u> and <u>C23/117</u>.

DECISION 548 (C07)

Conditions of service of the Elected Officials – Special housing subsidy

The Council,

taking into account

the constraints of the housing market at Union headquarters and the constraints imposed on the elected officials by the MORSS (Minimum Operating Residential Security Standards) rules, which, within the common system, are applied to determine the housing of the executive heads of organizations of the United Nations common system,

having examined

the proposal submitted in Document C07/54 to its 2007 session,

decides

- to approve the creation of a special housing subsidy for the Secretary-General, the Deputy Secretary-General and the Bureau Directors to be paid annually in accordance with the conditions stipulated in Document CO7/54;
- to fix the annual amount of this special housing subsidy at CHF 71 400 for the Secretary-General and at 50 per cent of that amount for the Deputy Secretary-General and the Bureau Directors in office on the date of adoption of this present Decision, for the duration of their respective terms of office;
- that the annual size of the special housing subsidy may be revised under the conditions stipulated in Document C07/54.

Ref.: Documents <u>C07/98</u> and <u>C07/105</u>.

DECISION 593 (C16)

Amendments to Staff Regulations applicable to appointed Staff

The Council,

in view of

No. 63 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union and of Regulation 12.1 of Staff Regulations applicable to appointed staff;

having considered

- 1 Resolution 70/244 of 23 December 2015 adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations regarding the new compensation package for staff in the professional and higher categories as proposed by the International Civil Service Commission;
- 2 the report submitted by the Secretary-General in Document $\underline{\text{C16/64}}$ to the Council at its 2016 session,

decides

- to approve the implementation of the new compensation package for staff in the professional and higher categories;
- to approve the amendments to the Staff Regulations applicable to appointed staff contained in Annex to this Decision, with the dates of effect established in that Annex A to this Decision;
- to authorize the Secretary-General to apply the transitional measures proposed in Annex 5 to the report submitted in Document <u>C16/64</u> to the Council to staff members in service before the dates of implementation referred to in *decides* 2 above and in receipt of the entitlements and benefits concerned before and up to these dates,

instructs the Secretary-General

to implement the present Decision and to report to the Council on a regular basis.

Annex: 1

ANNEX A

STAFF REGULATIONS

Proposed amendments to Staff Regulations are available in Annex 6 to Document C16/64.

Ref.: Documents C16/122 and C16/138.

DECISION 597 (C16)

Amendments to Staff Regulations applicable to appointed Staff

The Council,

in view of

No. 63 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union and of Regulation 12.1 of Staff Regulations applicable to appointed staff;

having considered

the report submitted by the Secretary-General in Document C16/60 to the Council at its 2016 session,

decides

to approve the amendments to the Staff Regulations applicable to appointed staff contained in Annex to this Decision.

ANNEX TO DECISION 597

STAFF REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO APPOINTED STAFF

CHAPTER XI APPEALS

Regulation 11.1 Appeals

- 1. The Secretary-General shall establish an administrative body with staff participation to advise him/her in case of any appeal by staff members against an administrative decision alleging the non-observance of their terms of appointment, including all pertinent Staff Regulations and Staff Rules, or against disciplinary sanctions.
- 2. Unless otherwise specified in these Staff Regulations or Staff Rules, for the purposes of this chapter, the term "staff member" shall be understood as referring to both active and former staff members.

Regulation 11.2 Administrative tribunals

A staff member shall be entitled to appeal to the Administrative Tribunal of the International Labour Organization, as provided in the Statute of that Tribunal, or to the United Nations Appeals Tribunal where appeals concerning the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund are concerned.

Ref.: Documents <u>C16/122</u> and <u>C16/142</u>.

DECISION 627 (C22)

Amendments to Staff Regulations applicable to appointed Staff Regulation 3.4 Advancement within a grade

The ITU Council,

in view of

No 63 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, the Staff Regulations applicable to appointed staff, and the United Nations Common System of Salaries, Allowances and Benefits established by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC),

having considered

the report submitted by the Secretary-General in document C22/36 to the Council,

decides

to approve the amendments to the Staff Regulations applicable to appointed staff contained in Annex to this Decision.

Annex: 1

ANNEX

STAFF REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO APPOINTED STAFF

- 1. Salary increments within the levels set forth in the scales shown in Annexes 3 and 4 to these Regulations shall be awarded to staff members on the basis of satisfactory service.
- 2. The periodicity of salary increments of the Senior Counsellor and Professional category staff shall be annual from:

- step 1 to step 7 at grades P1 to P5;

- step 1 to step 5 at grade D1;

Steps 1 and 2 at grade D2, and biennial thereafter

determined by the Secretary-General in accordance with the standards promulgated by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC). The Secretary-General will inform staff members annually in case there are changes in the periodicity of salary increments.

Ref.: Documents <u>C22/36</u>, <u>C22/49</u>, <u>C22/50</u>, <u>C22/88</u>, <u>C22/93</u>, and <u>C22/99</u>.

2.2 Human resources management

RESOLUTION 1106 (C-1996, last amended C01)

Implementation of the recommendations of the Tripartite Consultative Group on Human Resources Management

The Council,

recalling

- a) Resolution 1 adopted by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994), which recognizes the need to adapt ITU's management systems, including its systems for managing human resources;
- b) its Resolution 1095, adopted at its 1996 session, establishing the Tripartite Consultative Group on Human Resources Management,

taking account of Resolution 51/216 (United Nations common system) adopted by the United Nations General Assembly during its 51st session in 1996, and particularly Section C.7 thereof,

having considered the report of the Tripartite Consultative Group on Human Resources Management contained in Document C97/45,

resolves

- **1** a) that a merit award scheme be implemented to reward a limited number of staff members in recognition of their outstanding performance or specific achievements in a given year;
- b) that the scheme shall be implemented on the basis of the criteria and procedures proposed by the Tripartite Consultative Group and described in the report thereof (Annex 2 to Document C97/45);
- c) that the number of staff members granted merit awards shall not exceed 5% of the total number of appointed staff members in each category, namely Professional and higher and General Service;
 - d) that the merit award scheme be implemented for a trial period of two years;
- **2** a) that a personal promotion scheme be implemented in order to give staff in occupational groups with limited career opportunities the possibility of being treated on an equal footing with staff members having more frequent promotion opportunities;
- b) that the scheme shall be implemented on the basis of the criteria and procedures proposed by the Tripartite Consultative Group and described in the report thereof (Annex 3 to Document C97/45);
- c) that the number of staff members granted a personal promotion shall not exceed 5% of the total number of posts;
- d) that the criteria defined and implemented for the granting of personal promotions shall, after a reasonable period of application, be reconsidered and, if necessary, modified, in order to adapt them to the prevailing situation,

further resolves

that, in order to prepare for the next Plenipotentiary Conference, the Tripartite Consultative Group on Human Resources Management shall continue its work until the next session of the Council in 1998, including the holding of a meeting, with the same mandate as that set out in Resolution 1095 and following the same procedures,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to implement a merit award scheme and a personal promotion scheme in accordance with the conditions laid down in the present Resolution;
- to study the amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules in force that would be necessitated by implementation of these schemes and, as necessary, to draft proposed amendments to the Regulations for consideration by the next session of the Council;
- 3 to report to each session of the Council on implementation of the merit award and personal promotion schemes;
- to inform the Council on the status of the coordination undertaken between the Union and other agencies in the common system, as referred to in Resolution 51/216 of the United Nations General Assembly;
- to continue, in so far as available funds permit, to provide assistance to the work of the Tripartite Group.

Ref.: Documents C96/114, C96/123; C2001/113 and C2001/130.

RESOLUTION 1107 (C-1997)

Classification

The Council,

in view of Nos. 70 and 71 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992),

authorizes the Secretary-General after consultation with the Coordination Committee, to regrade, as justified and in accordance with the promulgated classification standards, established posts of the General Service and Professional categories in grades G.1 to P.5, without incurring expenses exceeding the limit of 0.1% of the credits allocated for established posts of the above-mentioned categories in the budget of the Union (base salary, post adjustment and contributions to the Pension Fund and Staff Health Insurance Fund),

instructs the Secretary-General to submit each year to the Council a report on the action taken in pursuance of this Resolution.

This Resolution cancels Resolution 1046.

Ref.: Documents C97/115 and C97/123.

RESOLUTION 1108 (C-1997)

Post management

The Council,

in view of Nos. 70 and 71 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992),

authorizes the Secretary-General after consultation with the Coordination Committee, to create or abolish posts in the General Service and Professional categories in grades G.1 to P.5, without incurring any expenditure beyond the budgetary appropriations for staff costs and other staff costs approved by the Council for the General Secretariat and Bureaux as reflected in the ITU budget,

instructs the Secretary-General to submit each year to the Council a report on the action taken in pursuance of this Resolution.

Ref.: Documents C97/116 and C97/123.

RESOLUTION 1187 (C01)

Gender Perspective in ITU Human Resource Management, Policy and Practice

The Council,

noting

- *a)* Resolution 70 (Minneapolis, 1998) on the inclusion of gender perspective in the work of ITU, which:
- instructs the Council to ensure that, within available resources, appropriate funding is included in each budget for gender perspective initiatives,
- instructs the Secretary-General to facilitate the work of the ITU Focal Point on Gender Issues by providing the necessary means to carry out the work,
- instructs the Secretary-General and Directors of the Bureaux to report to Council each year on progress made;
- b) Resolution 7 of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (Valletta, 1998);
- c) Document C2001/37, R11 b) regarding the lack of gender balance in ITU staff and the absence of an action plan to address this lack;
- d) Document C2001/48 concerning an action plan and proposed procedures to address geographical and gender representation,

further noting

- a) the recommendation of the ITU-D Task Force on Gender Issues that BDT create a Gender Unit with fulltime staff in order to effect the goals expressed in Resolution 7 from Valletta, Malta and Resolution 70 from Minneapolis,
- b) the System-Wide Medium-Term Plan for the Advancement of Women 2002-06, to be adopted by ECOSOC in July, including ITU proposals and programmes,

believing

- a) that by including women in every phase of ITU policy and practice, ITU can benefit from drawing on a vast and rich resource, half the world's population;
- b) that gender balance, like geographical representation, should be taken into account in ITU policy and practices, including recruitment and publication, hiring, training and education, mobility and promotion opportunities, selection of leadership in all ITU bodies, and ITU elections,

considering

that Council 2001 has not been provided reports on progress made in increasing gender perspective in line with Resolution 70,

resolves

- to encourage Member States and Sector Members to put forward for leadership and elected positions, and to suggest for ITU staff positions, especially at professional and higher levels, appropriately qualified woman candidates;
- to request the Secretary-General to allocate appropriate resources, within existing budgetary limits, to establish a gender perspective full-time dedicated staff,

invites the Secretary-General

- to develop an action plan and procedures to address immediately and urgently the lack of gender representation in ITU staff, especially in the professional and higher categories, and to provide this action plan and procedures, together with information on their implementation and effectiveness, to Council 2002;
- to propose appropriate modifications of the Staff Regulations in order to better promote gender perspective in ITU,

instructs the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux

to report to Council 2002 on progress made to incorporate the gender perspective in the work of the General Secretariat and the respective Sectors.

Ref.: Documents C2001/123 and C2001/132.

RESOLUTION 1299 (C08, LAST AMENDED C20)

ITU Strategic Plan for Human Resources

The ITU Council,

recognizing

- a) No. 154 of the ITU Constitution, according to which ITU's paramount consideration in the recruitment of staff and in the determination of the conditions of service shall be the necessity of securing for the Union the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity;
- b) Resolution 71 (Rev. Dubai, 2018), which establishes, in its Annex 1, table 11, as an objective to ensure efficient use of human resources in a work-conducive environment and to develop and implement the HR framework fostering a sustainable and satisfied workforce, including the elements of career development and training;
- c) Resolution 48 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on human resources management and development which recognizes the high value of the human resources of ITU and of the effective management of those resources for the fulfilment of its goals during the period 2020-2023, and contains references to resolutions and decisions that address issues relating to the planning and management of the Union's human resources,

noting

- a) that Resolution 48, *inter alia*, instructed the Secretary-General to prepare and implement, with the assistance of the Coordination Committee, and in collaboration with the regional offices, a four-year Human Resources Strategic Plan (HRSP) aligned with the ITU strategic and financial plans, to respond to the needs of the Union, its membership and its staff;
- b) that, in accordance with Resolution 48, it is necessary to improve and implement recruitment policies and procedures designed to facilitate equitable geographical and gender representation among appointed staff,

considering

that long-term planning in the area of human resources is essential for the proper management and development of ITU staff, succession planning, and to effectively address the needs of the Union,

resolves

- to approve the four-year Human Resources Strategic Plan (HRSP) for the period 2020-2023, drawn up in accordance with *instructs the Secretary-General* 2 in Resolution 48 (Rev. Dubai, 2018);
- to consider contributions submitted by Council Members during Council sessions from 2020 to 2023 with a view to address the issues listed in the annexes to Resolution 48 (Rev. Dubai, 2018), and ensure that any measures considered and taken are in support of HRSP implementation;
- 3 to consider annual reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the HRSP and Resolution 48 and decide on the measures needed,

resolves further to instruct the Secretary-General

- to make any necessary changes to the HRSP, in cooperation with the ITU Staff Council, in accordance with *resolves* 2 above, and to submit the updated HRSP to the Council for consideration;
- to monitor recommendations made by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) and approved by the UNGA with a view to making the necessary changes to the ITU Staff Regulations and Staff Rules applicable to appointed staff, in accordance with the rules and procedures adopted by the Council.

Ref.: Documents <u>C08/100</u> and <u>C08/106</u>; <u>C20/79</u>, <u>VC-2/10</u> and <u>DM-20/1022</u>.

RESOLUTION 1413 (C23-EXT)

Voluntary/agreed separation and early retirement scheme

The ITU Council,

in view of

Decision 5 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) and Article 27 of the Financial Regulations of the Union,

having considered

the financial difficulties that the Union is facing concerning the implementation of the 2022 and 2023 budget implementation,

having noted

the efforts made and the numerous efficiency measures taken by the Secretary-General to strive to offset this deficit,

conscious of

the need to swiftly implement a voluntary/agreed separation and early retirement scheme and the fact that there may not be budget implementation savings in the current or next year budget implementation,

resolves

to authorize the Secretary-General, as an extraordinary measure, to withdraw up to an amount of CHF 6 million from the Reserve Account to finance the implementation of a voluntary/agreed separation and early retirement scheme,

further resolves

to instruct the Secretary-General to implement the voluntary/agreed separation and early retirement scheme without any delay and preferably no later than early 2023 to improve the budget implementation forecast and permit the preparation of future balanced budgets.

Ref.: Documents <u>C22/102</u> (Rev.1), <u>C23-EXT/3</u>, <u>C23-EXT/7</u> and <u>C23-EXT/9</u>

DECISION 2 (C-1948, last amended C-1981)

List of permanent and temporary posts and of their incumbents

The Council,

decided that a list of officials with permanent or fixed term contracts, with an indication of the post occupied, should be issued annually for the information of the staff.

Ref.: Documents 267/CA3 (1948), 5703/CA36 (1981).

DECISION 517 (C04, last amended C09)

Strengthening Dialogue between the ITU Administration and the ITU Staff Council

The Council,

considering

- a) that, pursuant to resolves 1 of Resolution 48 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) (Human resources management and development), the management and development of ITU's human resources should be compatible with the goals and activities of the Union and with the United Nations common system;
- b) that, pursuant to resolves 2 of Resolution 48, recommendations of the International Civil Service Commission approved by the United Nations General Assembly should be applied,

considering further

that, according to Regulation 8.1 of the Staff Regulations applicable to appointed staff, the staff's right of association is recognized, along with the representation of the interests of the staff before the Secretary-General by a Staff Council,

taking into account

concerns expressed by the staff through the Staff Council that regular monthly consultations with ITU management on such matters as staff welfare and administration, including policy on appointments, promotions and terminations, Human Resources strategies, budgetary issues, and appointments to statutory committees, need to be strengthened,

decides to instruct the Secretary-General

to immediately review the modalities of strengthening the dialogue between the Staff Council and the Secretary-General, or his designated representative, and the Directors of the Bureaux or their designated representatives, and prepare a progress report, which could include the identification of the possible need for amendments to the Staff Regulations and Rules, for consideration by the Council Tripartite Group on Human Resources Management and by subsequent sessions of the Council.

Ref.: Documents C04/75, C04/103; C09/113 and C09/121.

DECISION 582 (C15-EXT)

Voluntary Separation and Early Retirement programme

The Council,

in view of

Decision 5 (Rev. Busan, 2014) adopted by the Plenipotentiary Conference,

having considered

the report by the Secretary-General on the proposed voluntary separation (VOLSEP) and early retirement measures which are in conformity with the legal instruments of the Union,

decides

to approve the implementation of the proposed voluntary separation/early retirement programme withdrawing up to a maximum of 3 million Swiss Francs from the Reserve Account,

instructs the Secretary-General

to implement the above-mentioned programme, as necessary, and to report to the Council.

Ref.: Documents <u>C15-EXT/6</u> and <u>C15-EXT/7</u>.

DECISION 605 (C18)

Creation of post D1, Regional Director, ITU Regional Office for the CIS Region

The Council,

in view of Nos 70 and 71 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992),

noting that document C12/25 presented to Council in 2012 establishing a standard structure for Regional and area offices provides the necessary flexibility,

decides

- to approve the proposed structure for the ITU Regional Office for the CIS Region, bearing in mind that it is established on the basis of the standard structure; Any future modification to that structure shall be made in accordance with applicable procedures related to creation of posts (Council Resolution 1108 on Post management), within the financial limits approved by the plenipotentiary conference and the council,
- to approve the creation of the D1 post of Regional Director, ITU Regional Office for the CIS Region based in Moscow, Russian Federation within the Telecommunication Development Bureau.

Ref.: Documents <u>C18/113</u> and <u>C18/121</u>.

2.3 Pensions

RESOLUTION 440 (C-1960)

Investments of funds of the ITU staff superannuation and benevolent funds

The Council,

considering

- a) that apart from being morally responsible for the funds which in 1960 still remain entrusted to the Management Board (after transfer to the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund), the ITU has given its financial guarantee to the staff as regards the retirement and other pensions to be paid from the funds kept in the Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds (Articles 1, 2 and 84 of the Regulations for the Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds, 7th edition);
- b) that the debts of the Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds are expressed in Swiss francs;
- c) that the actuarial calculation are based on 3% interest, but that the current accounts in Swiss francs conceded to the Union by the Swiss Confederation, and the Swiss franc debentures backed by the Swiss Confederation, bear interest at more than 3%,

recommends that the Management Board keep the funds of the Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds from which retirement and other pensions are liable to be paid, in current account with the Swiss Confederation or in the form of debentures backed by the Swiss Confederation, and abstain from any investments which do not offer the same degree of security.

Ref.: Document 2499/CA15 (1960).

RESOLUTION 463 (C-1961)

Actuarial bases for the ITU Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds

The Council,

in view of the proposal of the Management Board of the ITU Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds submitted by the Secretary-General (Document 2634/CA16),

considering that the present actuarial bases used for the calculations of the Funds are out of date, and that the actuary, consulted by the Management Board, approved the adoption of the proposed revised bases,

resolves that, as from 1 July 1961, the actuarial bases EVK/1960, Collection A, of the Federal Insurance Fund of the Swiss Confederation shall be used for the calculations of the Funds.

Ref.: Document 2710/CA16 (1961).

RESOLUTION 559 (C-1965, last amended C-1984)

Cost-of-living allowances to beneficiaries of the S.S. and B. Funds

The Council,

bearing in mind No. 262 of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi, 1982,

considering Resolution 2007 adopted by the United Nations General Assembly at its 19th Session,

having examined the proposals by the Secretary-General contained in Document 3325/CA20,

resolves that, with effect from 1 March 1965, cost-of-living allowances paid to the beneficiaries of the ITU Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds shall be recalculated in accordance with the method laid down in Document 3325/CA20.

Ref.: Documents 3439/CA20 (1965), 4965/CA31 (1976), 6197/CA39 (1984).

RESOLUTION 589 (C-1966, last amended C-1984)

Cost-of-living allowances granted to beneficiaries of the ITU SS and B Funds

The Council,

in view of the provisions of the Montreux Convention, 1965, the Malaga-Torremolinos Convention, 1973 and the Nairobi Convention, 1982,

considering Resolution 2122, adopted by the 20th Session of the United Nations General Assembly,

resolves that, with effect from 1 March 1965, the cost-of-living allowances granted to beneficiaries of the ITU SS and B Funds shall be adjusted according to the index system used by the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund.

Ref.: Documents 3605/CA21 (1966), 4965/CA31 (1976), 6197/CA39 (1984).

RESOLUTION 1211 (C03-ADD)

Statutory rate of interest of the ITU Staff Superannuation and Benevolent funds

The Council,

in view of

the proposal by the Management Board of the ITU Staff Superannuation and Benevolent (SS&B) Funds, submitted by the Secretary-General (Document C03-ADD/6),

considering

that the yield on the investments of the Funds now easily covers expenditure and that the Management Board recommends that the statutory rate be eliminated,

resolves

- that with retroactive effect as from 1 January 2003, the statutory rate of interest of the Funds is eliminated in Article 86 of the Regulations of the SS&B Funds;
- to approve the amendment to Article 86, paragraph 4 of the Regulations of the SS&B Funds set out in the appendix to this Resolution.

APPENDIX

(to Resolution 1211)

Amendment to Article 86, paragraph 4, of the Regulations for the ITU Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds

SECTION VIII

Financial administration and management of the Funds

ARTICLE 86

Financial administration

Present text

The assets of the Funds shall be invested in trustee securities. If the net interest yield does not reach 2.5% per annum, the Union shall make it up to 2.5%.

Amended text

The assets of the Funds shall be invested in trustee securities.

Ref.: Documents CO3-ADD/30 and CO3-ADD/35.

RESOLUTION 1414 (C23-EXT)

Membership of the ITU Staff Pension Committee

The ITU Council,

having regard

to the provisions of the Regulations and Rules of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund,

considering

the need to replace those representatives of the Council whose seats on the Pension Committee are falling vacant,

resolves

to designate the following Member States to represent the Council on the ITU Staff Pension Committee, until the Extraordinary Council session following the next plenipotentiary conference:

- 1. Members
 - India (Republic of)
 - Czech Republic
 - United States of America
- 2. Alternates
 - Senegal
 - Canada
 - Italy

invites these Members States

to designate a representative for three-year terms of office, renewable so long as the Member States remain members of the ITU Council.

Ref.: Documents <u>C22/88</u>, <u>C23-EXT/2</u>, <u>C23-EXT/8</u> and <u>C23-EXT/9</u>

DECISION 595 (C16)

Amendment to Article 5 of the Regulations for the Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds of the International Telecommunication Union

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having considered

Document C16/104 at its 2016 session,

decides

to adopt the amendment to Article 5 of the Regulations for the Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds of the International Telecommunication Union as contained in the above-mentioned document.

Ref.: Documents <u>C16/122</u> and <u>C16/140</u>.

DECISION 596 (C16)

Final disposal of the assets of the Pension Fund for the Staff Superannuation and Benevolent Funds of the International Telecommunication Union

The Council,

having considered

Document C16/105 at its 2016 session,

decides

to transfer from the Pension Fund balance

- a) a maximum of CHF 100,000 to the Assistance Fund,
- b) the remaining balance of at least CHF 1,446,449.39 to the Health Insurance Guarantee Fund.

Ref.: Documents <u>C16/122</u> and <u>C16/141</u>.

2.4 Other staff matters

RESOLUTION 105 (C-1948, last amended C-1952)

Issue of United Nations laissez-passer to officials of the ITU

The Council,

having considered the arrangement concluded between the Secretary-General of the Union and the Secretary-General of the United Nations concerning the procedure to be followed for the issue of the United Nations laissez-passer to officials of the ITU, which arrangement it approved at its 3rd Session,

considering that it would be convenient to treat the arrangement as permanent subject to denunciation at six months notice by either party,

resolves

- to approve the new text of the Arrangement which is reproduced below;
- that the Secretary-General may request a laissez-passer for any official (permanent, temporary or supernumerary) of the General Secretariat, of the IFRB, or of the CCIs, absent on official duty or on leave.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNING THE ISSUE OF UNITED NATIONS LAISSEZ-PASSER TO OFFICIALS OF THE ITU

- I. The Secretariat of the United Nations will issue United Nations laissez-passer to officials of the International Telecommunication Union under the following conditions:
- All members of the personnel of the International Telecommunication Union will be considered as officials of the International Telecommunication Union in the meaning of Section I, with the exception of those recruited locally and paid by the hour.
- 2 Request for issuance of laissez-passer shall be made by the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union or by such person as he shall designate. Such requests, which will state that the official is about to travel on official duty or home leave, must be accompanied by:
 - a) a form, copy of which is attached, which shall be filled in and signed by the official for whom the laissez-passer is required and the contents of which shall all have been verified and certified as correct by the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union or his designated representatives;
 - b) two photographs of the applicant.
- Requests for the issue of laissez-passer shall be addressed to the Section of Passports and Visas (Transportation Service of the United Nations, 405 East 42nd Street, New York, NY). However, in cases of urgency, such requests may be addressed to the Office of the United Nations in Geneva which may, in such cases, issue the laissez-passer.
- The Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union shall forward to the Section of Passports and Visas (Transportation Service of the United Nations), specimens of the signatures of such officials as shall have received authority to certify as correct the information given on the application form under Section 3.

(2.4 – Other staff matters)

- The issuance of United Nations laissez-passer to officials of the International Telecommunication Union shall also be subject to such other conditions as may apply to the issuance of the laissez-passer to officials of the United Nations.
 - The Secretary-General of the United Nations shall immediately notify these conditions to the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union.
- The laissez-passer issued to officials of the International Telecommunication Union shall make mention of the official's rank. They shall contain a statement in the five languages to the effect that the laissez-passer is issued to a member of a specialized agency, in accordance with Section 28 of the Convention on Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations and with the relevant section of the Agreement bringing the organization into relation with the United Nations.
- Upon the request of the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union or that of such person as he shall designate, the Secretariat of the United Nations shall, if this arrangement is still in force, renew such laissez-passer issued to officials of the International Telecommunication Union as shall have expired.
- The Secretariat of the United Nations shall transmit as quickly as possible the laissez-passer for which issue or renewal has been requested to the designated representative of the International Telecommunication Union who shall acknowledge the receipt thereof.
- The International Telecommunication Union agrees to take all necessary administrative precautions to prevent the loss or theft of such laissez-passer. It shall immediately notify the Section of Passports and Visas in the event of any loss or theft of a laissez-passer, giving particulars of the conditions under which such loss or theft occurred.
- Such a laissez-passer shall, unless renewed, expire at the end of one year from the date of issuance. The International Telecommunication Union agrees to return immediately to the United Nations all laissez-passer issued to its officials:
 - a) on the expiration of the validity of the laissez-passer, unless renewal has been authorized;
 - b) if the holder ceases to be an official of the International Telecommunication Union within the meaning of paragraph 1.
- II. This arrangement shall be deemed to have come into force on 1 August 1949, and it will remain in force until denounced in writing by either party. Such denunciation shall take effect at the expiration of a period of six months from the day of receipt of its notification by the other party, that is to say by the Secretary-General of the United Nations or the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union, as the case may be.

Ref.: Documents 286/CA3 (1948), 1238/CA7 (1952).

RESOLUTION 747 (C-1975, last amended C-1976)

International Civil Service Commission

The Council,

having noted the report of the Secretary-General in Document 4713/CA30,

resolves to accept the Statute of the International Civil Service Commission established by the General Assembly of the United Nations at its 29th session in Resolution 3357 (XXIX).

Ref.: Documents 4786/CA30 (1975), 4965/CA31 (1976).

RESOLUTION 1420 (C23)

Amendments to the statute of the International Civil Service Commission

The ITU Council,

having considered

the report submitted by the Secretary-General in document C23/56 concerning the amendments to the statute of the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) adopted by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) at its 77th session on 30 December 2022 in Resolution 77/256 A-B,

resolves

to accept the amendments to the statute of ICSC adopted by UNGA at its 77th session on 30 December 2022 in Resolution 77/256 A,

instructs

the ITU Secretary-General to notify this acceptance to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Ref.: Documents <u>C23/56</u>, <u>C23/104(Rev.1)</u>, <u>C23/112</u> and <u>C23/118</u>.

DECISION 399 (C-1983, last amended C-1990)

Staff representation

The	Coun	cil.
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having examined the question of staff participation in management and recognizing the importance of staff representation,

decides that the Chairman and the Secretary of the Staff Council may be released from their assigned duties for a reasonable portion of their working hours up to a maximum of 50% and 30%, respectively.

Ref.: Documents 5955, 5980, 6022 and 6031/CA38 (1983), 7065 and 7076/CA45 (1990).

3 CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

3.1 General

RESOLUTION 83 (C-1948, last amended C-1990)

Organization, financing and liquidation of the accounts of conferences and meetings

The Council,

considering

- a) that all conferences and meetings of the Union should be uniformly organized, as regards both the material provisions and the accounting and liquidation of accounts;
- b) that the conferences and meetings referred to the Numbers 107 to 109 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982, should not exceed the expenditure authorized by the Council;
- c) that every effort should be made to reduce the expenditure of conferences and meetings and in the case of conferences the expenses of which are not included in the annual budget to accelerate the recovery of participants' contributory shares;
- d) that it is advisable to include, in the agreements to be concluded with inviting governments for the preparation of conferences or meetings, provisions covering cancellation, postponement or change of venue, so that such eventualities should not cause unnecessary prejudice to the Union,

resolves that the following provisions shall be applied for all conferences and meetings organized under the aegis of the Union:

- A Organization of conferences and meetings when there is an inviting government
- At such time as he deems appropriate, the Secretary-General shall negotiate an agreement with the inviting government on the arrangements to be made by both the General Secretariat of the Union and that government, in order to supply the conference or meeting with the necessary material means for the satisfactory progress of the work;
- this agreement, which shall specify the respective functions of both parties, shall be based, as regards its principles, on the arrangements described in Document 166/CA3. It may deviate from them to take into account the views of each inviting government and, in particular, the services which that government is in a position to offer free of charge;
- in order, however, that the General Secretariat shall not be implicated in matters for which it does not have to assume responsibility, the agreement to be concluded should not deal with any question concerning the application of the Convention, which falls exclusively within the competence of the conference or meeting, or of the inviting government;

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- 4 in particular, the agreement shall include no stipulation concerning the right of administrations in the matter of participation in the conferences, or concerning the Rules of Procedure of the conferences.
- B Financing of conferences and meetings when there is an inviting government

The agreement to be reached with the inviting government should in so far as possible, be based on the following data:

- where it does not cover the expenses itself, the inviting government shall advance the necessary funds for the renting and preparation of premises, the reproduction and distribution of documents, the payment of salaries of the Secretariat personnel recruited locally, the purchase of supplies, the purchase or renting of office equipment and any other equipment, deemed necessary for the work of the conference or meeting;
- these expenses shall be refunded as soon as possible to the inviting government by the General Secretariat of the Union;
- the inviting government shall bear the expenses pertaining to a Reception Committee and, if the occasion arises, the entertainments and other diversions organized for the delegates;
- 8 for all other expenses, the Secretary-General shall also endeavour to obtain the advance of the necessary funds from the inviting government; these funds shall be refunded as soon as possible by the General Secretariat;
- no conference or meeting may be held under Nos. 107 to 109 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982, unless the Council has provided the appropriate credits for the year or years in question. As far as possible, when the Council authorizes such credits, it shall be in possession of the agreement entered into with the inviting government but, in exceptional circumstances, it may authorize these credits subject to the later conclusion of this agreement by the Secretary-General. The provisions of the agreement and the amount of the credits available must always be brought to the notice of the Budget Control Committee referred to in Nos. 475 to 479 of the Convention, at the first meeting of this Committee;
- for conferences and meetings organized under No. 115 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982, the agreement and draft budget shall be submitted to the Council if the Council holds a session before the conference or meeting begins. If it holds no session, approval must be given by the budget control committee at its first meeting, at the same time as the agreement and draft budget are referred to it;
- the agreement with the inviting government must contain provisions covering cases where conferences or meetings are cancelled or postponed, or their meeting place is changed, as a result of a decision by the Union, adopted by its competent organs:
- in general, it shall be clearly established that in such an eventuality the Union shall be responsible to the inviting government only for its commitments or actual expenditure in preparation for the conference provided the government has not agreed to bear such expenses itself and only in so far as they are indispensable and cannot be cancelled or reduced;
- 11.2 if the cost of preparing premises to house the conference is to be borne by the Union, the agreement shall stipulate the details of the work to be done and its cost, and the maximum economy shall be sought compatible with satisfactory organization of the conference;
- except in very special cases, the reservation of accommodation for delegates, staff, etc., must not entail any financial commitment for the Union;

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- if the inviting government, instead of convening the conference or meeting, announces that it cannot receive the conference at the agreed place or time, the Union shall not be responsible for the expenses incurred by the inviting government in preparation for the conference or meeting;
- on request by the inviting government, and if exchange conditions are suitable, contributions owed to the Union by that government may be accepted in local currency in such a proportion as will enable the conference expenses to be settled in that currency to be met.
- C Settlement of the accounts of conferences the expenses of which are not included in the annual budget
- So as to reduce, as far as possible, the total interest of any sums advanced by the Government of the Swiss Confederation, it is important that the contributory shares of participants in these conferences should be recovered without delay. To this end:
- 14.1 when a conference covers a period running into the next financial year, the Secretary-General shall forward to the administrations or organizations concerned an account of their share of the expenses incurred during the current financial year;
- if, at the close of a conference, it appears that the final accounts cannot be drawn up within one month, the Secretary-General shall immediately forward to the participants a provisional account of their share of the expenses on the basis of the statement of expenditure approved by the closing plenary meeting; an additional account shall be subsequently forwarded if, when the accounts are finally closed, a balance remains to be recovered.

D Limit of the prerogatives of conferences in financial matters

- A conference has no power to arrange for future sessions of the same conference after the termination of the original session, or for further conferences, except by the procedure prescribed in article 54 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982;
- no conference other than a plenipotentiary conference has the power to authorize the Secretary-General to ask the inviting government to advance funds or to request the advance of funds from the Government of the Swiss Confederation. The Secretary-General can only act in this matter in accordance with the prescription of the Convention and the directives of a plenipotentiary conference, or of the Council;
- administrative conferences and plenary assemblies of Consultative Committees must observe the provisions of Nos. 627 and 628 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982.

E Publication of the final texts of conferences or meetings

- In principle, the final texts approved by conferences or meetings, whatever their method of reproduction, shall be published by the General Secretariat in their usual place of publication and with the minimum of cost;
- however, this rule may be disregarded in recognized cases of urgency and at the special request of the conference or meeting;
- apart from the final texts distributed to the persons concerned as a conference document, no copy shall be supplied free of charge to participants in the conference or meeting.

- F CCI Plenary Assemblies and Study Groups
- The provisions of this Resolution shall apply to CCI Plenary Assembly and Study Group meetings, for which the Secretary-General, in agreement with the Director of the CCI concerned, has to make the necessary administrative and financial arrangements.

Ref.: Documents 265/CA3 (1948), 558/CA4 (1949), 806/CA5 (1950), 1606/CA9 (1954), 2499/CA15 (1960), 4965/CA31 (1976), 6197/CA39 (1984), 6963/CA45, 7052/CA45 and 7041/CA45 (1990).

RESOLUTION 741 (C-1974, last amended C-1984)

Conditions governing the attendance of liberation organizations at meetings of the ITU

The Council,

considering Resolution 4 of the Plenipotentiary Conference of Nairobi, 1982, concerning the attendance of liberation organizations as observers at meetings of the ITU,

considering further that the United Nations recognize the liberation organizations recognized by the Organization of African Unity and by the League of Arab States,

resolves that the following liberation organizations may at any time attend meetings of the ITU:

A Liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity (OAU):

South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO)

Pan-African Congress of Azania

African National Congress of South Africa

B Liberation movement recognized by the League of Arab States:

Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)

instructs the Secretary-General to take steps to implement this Resolution.

Ref.: Documents 4673/CA29 (1974), 4774/CA30 (1975), 4965/CA31 (1976), 6197/CA39 (1984).

RESOLUTION 1141 (C-1999)

Reduction of the cost and volume of documentation for ITU conferences and assemblies and the Council

The Council,

considering

- a) Resolution 104 (Minneapolis, 1998) on the reduction of the volume and cost of documentation for ITU conferences;
- b) Resolution 66 (Rev. Minneapolis, 1998) on documents and publications of the Union;
- c) the report by the Secretary-General in Document C99/15 on ways and means of achieving reductions in the volume and cost of conference documentation,

taking into account the views and advice of the Radiocommunication Advisory Group, the Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group and the Telecommunication Development Advisory Group on the subject,

resolves

- that, pursuant to Resolution 104 (Minneapolis, 1998), every effort shall be made to reduce the cost and volume of documentation in ITU;
- that, to this end, the measures described in Annex A to this Resolution shall be implemented for conferences, assemblies and the Council,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to pursue ongoing efforts in the secretariat to reduce the length of documents and ensure their timely submission;
- to prepare and make available appropriate drafting guidelines for authors for each conference, assembly or Council session on the length, format and layout and possible electronic application of documents, including suitable templates;
- to avoid the reprinting of existing documents on paper which are accessible electronically and the constant re-issuing of amended texts unless absolutely justified, and, in respect of treaty-making conferences, to study the possibility, including the practical and legal implications, of dispensing with physical reprinting of texts (white, blue and pink) for each reading;
- 4 to study the correlation between meeting duration and volume of documentation with a view to developing indicative standards;
- to investigate the possibility of extending the availability of suitable power outlets and local networking facilities to delegate positions in conference rooms,

encourages Member States and Sector Members to make every effort to contribute to reducing the volume of documentation by exercising restraint, in particular by requesting fewer or no paper copies of documents; making the greatest possible use of electronic document handling media; reducing the length of their contributions; and submitting documents for conferences in a timely manner,

(3.1 – Conferences and meetings/General)

further instructs the Secretary-General to report to Council-2000 on the implementation of this Resolution and its impact on meetings,

instructs the Directors of the Bureaux to report to Council-2000 on the procedures developed by the advisory groups and the resulting savings, as demonstrated by their trial application in a meeting or assembly,

instructs the Director of BDT to take account of this Resolution when implementing Resolution 66 (Rev. Minneapolis, 1998).

Annex: 1

ANNEX A

(to Resolution 1141)

Measures to be taken to reduce the volume and cost of documentation for ITU conferences and assemblies and the Council

1 Translation and reproduction of documents

- a) Plenipotentiary conferences, radiocommunication conferences, world conferences on international telecommunications and the Council
 - Proposals by Member States, all reports by the secretariat produced in reply to instructions
 by a conference or the Council and any document resulting from the work of plenary
 meetings and committees shall be translated and published in the requisite languages¹.
 - Contributions by Member States other than proposals shall be submitted to the chairperson
 of the conference or the Council, who may decide, following consultation with the Member
 State concerned and the Secretary-General, to consider them as information documents and
 to limit their publication to the original language or authorize the translation of a summary
 of the contribution.
 - Contributions by international organizations and observers shall be considered as
 information documents and their translation in the requisite languages¹ and/or their
 reproduction shall be subject to the authorization of the chairperson of the conference or
 the Council, who may decide, following consultation with the Secretary-General and the
 organization or observer concerned, to authorize translation and/or publication of the
 contribution or a summary thereof.
- b) Development conferences, assemblies and study groups
 - The Directors of the three Bureaux, in coordination with their respective advisory group, should study and recommend a procedure to be applied for the translation and reproduction of documents on the basis of the Annex to Resolution 104 (Minneapolis, 1998), taking account of budgetary limitations².

In all cases, the processing of information documents shall not delay the processing of other documents.

¹ In accordance with the Constitution and Convention and taking into account the implementation of Resolution 103 (Minneapolis, 1998).

² Such a study should include trials at a selected conference, assembly or meeting.

2 Distribution of documents

- a) Plenipotentiary conferences, world radiocommunication conferences, world conferences on international telecommunications and the Council
 - All documents shall be posted on the web as soon as available; paper versions are to be dispatched as soon as printed; and a dedicated, constantly updated web page shall be established for the conference or the Council.
 - For pre-session and post-session documents, distribution by electronic means shall be encouraged, limiting the number of paper copies dispatched by mail for those that nevertheless wish to continue receiving paper copies to a maximum of five for Member States and one for Sector Members.
 - In addition to the paper copies distributed, one CD-ROM shall be issued to each participant on the first day of the meeting containing all input documents submitted by a given deadline, and one CD-ROM on the last day containing all working and output documents.
 - Additional final CD-ROM and paper copies, beyond the above limitations, shall be made available, upon request, and paid for like any other ITU publications.
- b) Development conferences, assemblies and study groups
 - The procedures outlined above shall be adapted to the specific requirements of each Sector by the Directors of the Bureaux, in consultation with their respective advisory group.

Ref.: Documents <u>C99/116</u> and <u>C99/133</u>.

DECISION 304 (C-1963, last amended C-1976)

Participation of the delegations of members of the Union in conferences or meetings of the Union

The Council,

decided

that, in view of the provisions of the Convention that all Members shall be entitled to participate in conferences and meetings of the Union, the Secretary-General, when drawing up an agreement with an inviting government on the arrangements to be made concerning a conference or meeting of the Union, shall include therein a clause to the effect that the inviting administration shall apply without reservation the provisions of the Convention and shall permit the persons attending on behalf of Members of the Union and other bodies invited, and officials of the Union, as well as their families, to enter the country concerned and to sojourn therein throughout the duration of their function or mission in connection with the conference or meeting.

Ref.: Documents 3016/CA18 (1963), 4965/CA31 (1976).

(3.1 – Conferences and meetings/General)

DECISION 307 (C-1963, last amended C-1976)

Regional conferences

The Council,

decided to instruct the Secretary-General to notify officially all Members of the Union whenever an ITU regional conference is convened.

Ref.: Documents 3098/CA18 (1963), 4965/CA31 (1976).

3.2 Council

RESOLUTION 2 (C-1948, last amended C-1976)

Participation of members of the Council in the sessions

The Council,

considering that its Members are invested as custodians of an international public trust,

expresses the wish that the representatives of these Members shall be present at all sessions of the Council from the opening of such sessions.

Ref.: Documents 72 (revised)/CA2 (1948), 1606/CA9 (1954), 4965/CA31 (1976).

RESOLUTION 687 (C-1971, last amended C-1976)

Travel expenses and subsistence allowances for the representatives of members of the Council

The Council

resolves that, starting from the 26th session of the Council, the rates of travel and subsistence allowances paid to representatives of Members of the Council shall be aligned with senior officials' United Nations rates and also fixed in accordance with WHO and ILO practice for their Council Members.

Ref.: Documents 4253/CA26 (1971), 4965/CA31 (1976).

RESOLUTION 1305 (C09, last amended C19)

Role of the Dedicated Group in identifying Internet-related Public Policy issues

The Council,

recognizing

- a) Article 10 of the ITU Constitution, item 70 2) defining one of the functions of ITU Council as the Structure within the Union to consider broad telecommunication policy issues in accordance with the guidelines given by the Plenipotentiary Conference to ensure that the Union's policies and strategy fully respond to changes in the telecommunication environment;
- b) Resolution 102 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) on ITU's role with regard to international public policy issues pertaining to the Internet and the management of Internet resources, including domain names and addresses;
- c) Resolution 101 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) on Internet Protocol-based networks;
- d) Resolution 133 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) on Role of administrations of Member States in the management of internationalized (multilingual) domain names;
- e) WTSA Resolution 75 (Johannesburg, 2008) on ITU-T's contribution in implementing the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society, and the establishment of a Dedicated Group on international Internet-related Public Policy Issues as an integral part of the Council Working Group on World Summit on the Information Society;
- f) WTSA Resolution 47 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) on Country Code Top Level Domain names;
- q) WTSA Resolution 48 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) on Internationalized Domain Names;
- h) WTSA Resolution 49 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) on ENUM;
- i) WTSA Resolution 50 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) on Cybersecurity;
- *j)* WTSA Resolution 52 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) on Countering and Combating spam by technical means;
- k) WTSA Resolution 64 (Johannesburg, 2008) on IP address allocation and encouraging the deployment of IPv6;
- *I)* WTSA Resolution 69 (Johannesburg, 2008) on Non-discriminatory access and use of Internet resources;
- m) Programme 3, adopted by the World Telecommunication Development Conference (Rev. Doha, 2006), which includes cybersecurity as one of its priority activities;
- n) Council Resolution 1282 and its amendments by Council-08, in accordance with WTSA Resolution 75 (Johannesburg, 2008);
- o) WTPF Opinion 1 (Lisbon, 2009) on Internet-related public policy matters,

further recognizing

in accordance with WTSA Resolution 75 (Johannesburg, 2008) and Council Resolution 1282 (Mod. 2008), the *Dedicated Group on international Internet-related public policy issues* is tasked to identify, study and develop matters related to international Internet-related public policy issues, and to disseminate its outputs throughout ITU's membership,

noting

- a) the outcome of the Second meeting of the Dedicated Group on international Internet-related public policy issues, which has identified topics considered relevant within the ITU mandate in international Internet-related public policy matters (contained in Annex 1 of the Report of the Chairman of the Dedicated Group to Council 2009);
- b) that paragraph 68 of the Tunis Agenda for the Information Society (Tunis, 2005) recognizes that all governments should have an equal role and responsibility for international Internet governance and for ensuring the stability, security and continuity of the Internet and also recognizes the need for development of public policy by governments in consultation with all stakeholders;
- c) that paragraph 63 of the Tunis Agenda states that countries should not be involved in decisions regarding another country's ccTLD; their legitimate interests, as expressed and defined by each country, in diverse ways, regarding decisions affecting their ccTLDs, need to be respected, upheld and addressed via a flexible and improved framework and mechanisms;
- d) that paragraph 65 of the Tunis Agenda underlines the need to maximize the participation of developing countries in decisions regarding Internet governance, which should reflect their interests, as well as in development and capacity building;
- e) that paragraph 69 of the Tunis Agenda underlines the need for enhanced cooperation in the future, to enable governments, on an equal footing, to carry out their roles and responsibilities, in international public policy issues pertaining to the Internet, but not in the day-to-day technical and operational matters, that do not impact on international public policy issues,

invites Member States

- to recognize the scope of work of ITU on international Internet-related public policy matters, represented by the list of topics in Annex 1 which was established in accordance with decisions of ITU membership at the Plenipotentiary Conference, Council and world conferences;
- to elaborate their respective position on each of the international Internet-related public policy issues referenced under *Invites Member States* 1 above and to contribute actively to the work of ITU on these issues,

instructs the Secretary-General

to provide the necessary support, within existing budgetary resources, to ensure that the Dedicated Group on international Internet-related public policy issues, as an integral part of WG-WSIS, carries out successfully its work;

- to disseminate, as appropriate, the reports of the *Dedicated Group on international Internet*related public policy issues to all relevant international organizations and stakeholders actively involved in such matters for their consideration in their policy making process;
- 3 to report annually to the Council on activities undertaken on these subjects.

Annex: 1

ANNEX

	Public Policy Issues	Relevant ITU Mandate
1	Multilingualization of the Internet Including Internationalized (multilingual) Domain Names	 PP. Resolution 133 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) WTSA Resolution 48 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) WTDC Programme 3 (Rev. Doha, 2006)
2	International Internet Connectivity	 ITU-D Study Group 1, Question 12-2/1 ITU-T Study Group 3 (Recommendation D.50)
3	International public policy issues pertaining to the Internet and the management of Internet resources, including domain names and addresses	 PP. Resolutions 101, 102 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) WTSA Resolutions 47, 49, 64, 69, 75 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) Resolution 1282 (Mod. 2008) Lead Facilitator of WSIS AL C6 (Tunis 2005)
4	The security, safety, continuity, sustainability, and robustness of the Internet	 PP. Resolutions 102, 130 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) WTDC Resolution 45, Programme 3 (Rev. Doha, 2006), WTSA Resolutions 50, 52 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) ITU-T Study Group 17, ITU-D Study Group 1 PP. Resolution 71 - Strategic Goal 4 (Rev. Antalya, 2006)
5	Combating Cybercrime	 Lead Facilitator of WSIS AL C5 (Tunis 2005) WTDC Programme 3 (Rev. Doha, 2006) PP. Resolution 71 – Strategic Goal 4 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) ITU-D Study Group 1
6	Dealing effectively with spam	 Lead Facilitator of WSIS AL C5 (Tunis 2005) PP. Resolution 130 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) WTDC Programme 3, Resolution 45 (Rev. Doha, 2006) WTSA 50, 52 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008)
7	Issues pertaining to the use and misuse of the Internet	 Lead Facilitator of WSIS AL C5 (Tunis 2005) Resolution 1282 (Mod. 2008) WTDC Programme 3 (Rev. Doha, 2006) PP. Resolution 130 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) WTSA Resolutions 50, 52 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008)

	Public Policy Issues	Relevant ITU Mandate
8	Availability, affordability, reliability, and quality of service, especially in the developing world	Lead Facilitator of WSIS AL C2 (Tunis 2005) Resolution 1282 (Mod. 2008)
9	Contributing to capacity building for Internet governance in developing countries	 WTDC Resolutions 17, 20 (Rev. Doha, 2006) ITU-D Programme 3, ITU-D Programme 5, WTSA Resolutions 64 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008)
10	Developmental aspects of the Internet	 WTDC Resolutions 17, 20 (Rev. Doha, 2006) WTSA Resolutions 64, 75 (Rev. Johannesburg, 2008) PP. Resolutions 101, 102, 133 (Rev. Antalya, 2006)
11	Respect for privacy and the protection of personal information and data	 PP. Resolution 130 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) Lead Facilitator of WSIS AL C5 (Tunis 2005) Resolution 1282 (Mod. 2008) PP. Resolution 71 – Strategic Goal 4 (Rev. Antalya, 2006)
12	Protecting children and young people from abuse and exploitation	 PP. Resolution 130 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) Lead Facilitator of WSIS AL C5 (Tunis 2005) PP. Resolution 71 – Strategic Goal 4 (Rev. Antalya, 2006) Resolution 1282 (Mod. 2008) ITU-D Programme 3, ITU-T Study Group 17
13	OTTs	Resolution 206 (Dubai, 2018)

Ref.: Documents <u>C09/105</u>, <u>C09/118</u>; <u>C19/136</u> and <u>C19/113</u>.

RESOLUTION 1306 (C09, last amended C15)

Council Working Group on Child Online Protection

The Council,

considering

- a) that the purposes of the Union are, *inter alia*, to promote, at the international level, the adoption of a broad range of issues of telecommunications/information and technologies (ICTs), helping in promoting the extension of the benefits of new telecommunication technologies to all the world's inhabitants and to harmonize the efforts of Member States and Sector Members in the attainment of those ends;
- b) that the Internet is playing an increasingly important and valuable role in the provision of education of children of the world, enriching the curriculum and helping to bridge language and other barriers between the children of all nations;
- c) that the Internet has become a major platform for many different kinds of educational, cultural and fun activities for children;

- d) that children are among the most active participants online;
- e) that children are a diverse group in terms of age, capabilities, physicality, etc.;
- f) that parents, guardians, and educators are not always aware of children's activities on the internet;
- g) that children may access adult sites inadvertently or may be exposed to inappropriate content;
- h) that in order to address the issue of cybersecurity for children, it is critical that proactive measures be taken in order to protect children online on an international level;
- *i)* that child online protection is a subject of valid international global interest and shall be listed in the priorities of the world community's global agenda;
- j) that during the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) (Tunis, 2005), the information society recognized the needs of children and young people and their protection in cyberspace with; The Tunis Commitment stating:

"We recognize the role of information and communications technologies (ICT) in the protection of children and in enhancing the development of children. We will strengthen action to protect children from abuse and defend their rights in the context of ICT. In that context, we emphasize that the best interests of the child are a primary consideration" (paragraph 24);

and the Tunis Agenda stating:

"We reaffirm our commitment to providing equitable access to information and knowledge for all, recognizing the role of ICT for economic growth and development. We are committed to working towards achieving [...] internationally agreed development goals and objectives, including the Millennium Development Goals, by [...] incorporating regulatory, self- regulatory, and other effective policies and frameworks to protect children and young people from abuse and exploitation through ICT into national plans of action and e-strategies" (paragraph 90q.)

recognizing

- a) the child online protection efforts taking place on the local, national, regional and international levels;
- b) Resolution 179 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference on ITU's role in child online protection;
- c) Resolution 67 (Rev. Dubai, 2014) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC), on the role of the ITU Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) in child online protection;
- d) Resolution 45 (Rev. Dubai, 2014) of WTDC, on mechanisms for enhancing cooperation on cybersecurity, including countering and combating spam;
- e) Resolution 175 (Rev. Busan, 2014) on accessibility,

recalling

the outcome documents of WSIS+10 High-Level Event,

resolves

- to maintain CWG-COP, in order to facilitate the membership's input and guidance on ITU's role in child online protection, with the following terms of reference:
 - 1.1 to exchange views and promote and work on the subject matter;
 - 1.2 to report to the Council annually on the activities of the Group;
- to facilitate the contribution and participation of all relevant stakeholders in the work of the CWG-COP to ensure maximum collaboration in implementing Resolution 179 (Rev. Busan, 2014);
- to encourage CWG-COP to conduct one-day online consultations for youth prior to its meetings to listen to their views and opinions on different matters related to child online protection;
- 4 to continue to make output documents related to child online protection issues publicly accessible without password protection;
- to prepare a draft final report for consideration by Council 2018 to be submitted to the 2018 Plenipotentiary Conference on the activities undertaken and achievement on these subjects, including proposals for further consideration as appropriate.

Ref.: Documents <u>C09/108(Rev.1)</u> and <u>C09/120</u>; <u>C15/109</u> and <u>C15/102</u>.

RESOLUTION 1332 (C11, last amended C23)

ITU role in the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The ITU Council,

recalling

- a) Resolution 140 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) on the ITU's role in implementing the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, as well as in their follow-up and review processes;
- b) Resolution 70 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) on mainstreaming a gender perspective in ITU and promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women through information and communication technologies;
- c) Resolution 102 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) on the ITU's role with regard to international public policy issues pertaining to the Internet and the management of Internet resources, including domain names and addresses;
- d) Resolution 175 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on telecommunication/information and communication technology (ICT) accessibility for persons with disabilities and persons with specific needs;
- e) Resolution 200 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on the Connect 2030 Agenda for global telecommunication/information and communication technology, including broadband, for sustainable development;

- the relevant Sector resolutions on the role of the ITU Sectors in implementing the WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
- g) UNGA Resolution A/70/125 "Outcome Document of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society";
- h) UNGA Resolution A/70/1 "Transforming Our World: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development";
- *i)* relevant Resolutions of UNGA and ECOSOC on the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as well as in their follow-up and review processes;
- j) the WSIS+10 Statement on the Implementation of WSIS Outcomes and WSIS+10 Vision for WSIS Beyond 2015, adopted at the ITU-coordinated WSIS+10 High-Level Event (Geneva, 2014) and endorsed by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Busan, 2014), which was submitted as an input into the Overall Review of WSIS by the UNGA;
- k) the relevant resolutions and decisions of the Plenipotentiary Conference related to WSIS and the SDGs,

considering

- a) that ITU has a pivotal role in providing a global perspective in regard to the information society;
- b) that CWG-WSIS&SDG has proven itself a successful mechanism for facilitating the input of Member States related to the ITU's role in the implementation of WSIS outcomes and achievement of the SDG as called for by the Plenipotentiary Conference 2022, particularly, as instructed by the Resolution 140 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022), the ITU Sectors, and in particular relevant study groups, should, consider the work of CWG-WSIS&SDG and other Council working groups on issues relevant to WSIS and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development when carrying out their activities;
- c) that Resolution 140 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) called for the ITU to allocate adequate resources to its activities, including WSIS staff and financial resources, to maintain effective implementation of the WSIS action lines and achieve the SDGs;
- d) the implementation of the WSIS outcomes will contribute to promoting digital transformation and the development of the digital economy and achieving the SDGs;
- e) that Resolution 140 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) instructs the Secretary-General in accordance with UNGA Resolution 76/307, to engage actively on issues related to the mandate of ITU in the preparatory process of the United Nations Summit of the Future, to be held on 22-23 September 2024, in New York;
- f) that Resolution 140 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) emphasizes the core competences of ITU in the field of ICTs, namely assistance in bridging the digital divide, international and regional cooperation, radio spectrum management, standards development and the dissemination of information are of crucial importance for building the information society, as stated in § 64 of the Geneva Declaration of Principles;

g) that Resolution 140 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) requested that the ITU should submit a progress report concerning its implementation of the WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, noting the contribution of telecommunications/ICTs to the digital transformation and the digital economy to the Plenipotentiary Conference in 2026 and requested Council to maintain the CWG-WSIS&SDG in order to:

facilitate membership input and guidance on the ITU implementation of relevant WSIS outcomes and its activities to help achieve the SDGs, and

requested Council:

- to oversee, consider, discuss as appropriate, ITU's work on implementation of the WSIS outcomes and achievement of the SDGs and related ITU activities, and, within the financial limits set by the Plenipotentiary Conference, to make resources available as appropriate;
- ii) to oversee ITU's adaptation to the information society, in line with *resolves* 7 "that ITU should continue its work on implementation of the WSIS outcomes and realization of the WSIS+10 vision beyond 2015, carrying out those activities that come within its mandate and participating, together with other stakeholders, as appropriate";
- iii) to continue to report annually on relevant ITU activities to HLPF through the mechanisms established by UNGA Resolution 70/1;
- iv) to consider the outcomes of the UNGA overall review of the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and take appropriate actions;
- v) to review and improve, through CWG-WSIS&SDG:
 - the ITU activities related to the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and achievement of the SDGs
 - the WSIS Prizes rules and guidelines to facilitate the participation of all stakeholders, using the six official languages of the Union, to make them more effective and simpler and serve the interest of all stakeholders
 - promotion of the winners of WSIS Prizes throughout the UN activities related to WSIS and the SDGs;

and invites ITU members:

to participate actively in implementing the WSIS outcomes and achieving the SDGs, contribute to the WSIS Forum and WSIS Stocktaking database maintained by ITU and the WSIS Prizes, and participate actively in the activities of CWG-WSIS&SDG and in ITU's further adaptation in order to build an inclusive information society and achieve the SDGs;

h) that Resolution 102 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) in its considering, recognizing and emphasizing parts was inspired by the relevant WSIS outcomes in paragraphs 29-82 of the Tunis Agenda concerning Internet governance and resolved to explore ways and means for greater reciprocal collaboration and coordination between ITU and relevant organizations¹ involved in the development of IP-based networks and the future internet, through cooperation agreements, as appropriate, in order to increase the role of ITU in Internet governance so as to ensure maximum benefits to the global community and promote affordable international connectivity,

recognizing

- a) ITU's commitment to the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and achievement of the SDGs under its responsibility, as one of the most important goals for the Union;
- b) that the Outcome Document of the UNGA on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society has substantial implications on the activities of the ITU;
- c) that the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development has substantial implications on the activities of the ITU;
- d) that there is a close SDGs-WSIS interlinkage reflected in WSIS-SDGs Matrix, that shows the value of continued implementation of the WSIS outcomes towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda,

noting

- a) that the ITU Secretary-General created the ITU WSIS&SDG Task Force whose role is to formulate strategies and coordinate ITU's policies and activities in relation to WSIS and the SDGs and that this Task Force is chaired by the Deputy Secretary-General;
- b) the input submitted by the ITU on the Global Digital Compact (GDC), reflecting the ITU's mandate, including on the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,

resolves

- that ITU should play a leading facilitating role in the WSIS implementation process, along with UNESCO and UNDP, as stated in § 109 of the Tunis Agenda;
- that ITU should continue to coordinate WSIS Forums, World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD) and WSIS Project Prizes and maintain the WSIS Stocktaking database, as well as continue to coordinate and support the activities of the Partnership for Measuring ICT for Development;
- to use the WSIS framework as the foundation through which the ITU helps achieve the 2030 Agenda, within the ITU's mandate and within the allocated resources in the financial plan and biennial budget, noting the WSIS-SDG Matrix developed by UN Agencies, working through the Council Working Group on WSIS&SDG, including by:

including, but not limited, to the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), the regional Internet registries (RIRs), the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), the Internet Society (ISOC) and the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C), on the basis of reciprocity.

- a) updating its WSIS Action Line Roadmaps for C2, C4, C5, and C6 to take into account activities underway to also achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
- b) providing input, as appropriate, into the roadmap/work plans of WSIS Action Lines C1, C3, C7, C8, C9 and C11, also related to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
- 4 that the Council Working Group on WSIS&SDG, open to all ITU membership, should continue its work with the terms of reference as shown in the Annex,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to regularly update the roadmaps for ITU's activities within its mandate of the WSIS implementation, taking into account the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda, as well as "Connect 2030", to be presented to the Council via CWG-WSIS&SDG;
- to ensure that ITU activities related to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development are implemented through the close alignment with WSIS process and are conducted in accordance with its mandate, within established policies and procedures, and within the allocated resources in the financial plan and biennial budget;
- to prepare a final and comprehensive report on the ITU activities for WSIS implementation and the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda together with proposals for further activities and submit it to Council and to the 2026 Plenipotentiary Conference through CWG-WSIS&SDG;
- 4 to continue to contribute to the Summit of the Future and the SDG Summit, working towards synergy and coherence with the implementation of the WSIS outcomes, taking into account the views of the ITU Membership, including through CWG-WSIS&SDG;
- to report annually on progress made in the implementation of the WSIS Action Lines for which the ITU is the facilitator, through the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, to the Economic and Social Council and to provide this report to the CWG-WSIS&SDG;
- to contribute annually on relevant ITU activities to the ECOSOC High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) and UNGA annual HLPF through the mechanisms established by Resolution A/70/1 and provide the report to CWG-WSIS&SDG;
- to provide annually to the ITU Council a comprehensive report detailing the activities, actions, and engagements that the Union, is undertaking on these subjects, for its consideration and decision;
- 8 to invite UNGIS to align activities on developing the information society towards a knowledge society based on results of the overall review of implementation of WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
- 9 to continue to coordinate the WSIS Forum as a platform for discussion and sharing of best practices in the implementation of WSIS by all Stakeholders, taking into consideration the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
- to adjust the WSIS Stocktaking database and WSIS project prize competitions in light of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;

- to take into consideration the outputs of CWG-WSIS&SDG in WSIS&SDG Task Force activities;
- to maintain the special WSIS Trust Fund to support ITU activities relating to facilitate the ITU implementation of WSIS outcomes through mechanisms including the establishment of partnerships and strategic alliances; and to invite the ITU Membership to make voluntary contributions,

instructs the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux

- in addition to focal points for WSIS action lines C2, C4, C5 and C6, to appoint other ITU focal points for action lines C1, C3, C7, C8, C9 and C11, where ITU is a co-facilitator or partner, as appropriate;
- to formulate specific tasks and deadlines for implementing the action lines referred to above, taking into account the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and incorporate them in the operational plans of the General Secretariat and the Sectors;
- 3 to take into account ITU's tasks with regard to the implementation of the relevant WSIS outcomes and the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals when preparing for RA, WRC, WTSA, WTDC and PP as appropriate;
- 4 to regularly update the roadmap for ITU's activities within its mandate to reflect how the WSIS Framework can be used to help achieve the 2030 agenda for sustainable development, taking into account the "Connect 2030" Agenda, to be presented to the Council via CWG-WSIS&SDG;
- to continue to integrate the implementation of the ITU-D Action Plan, and in particular Resolution 30, as well as put special efforts towards the development of an appropriate measurement methodology taking into account the ITU leadership in the Partnership on Measuring the ICTs for Development,

encourages Member States, Sector Members, and all Stakeholders

- to participate actively in the activities related to WSIS implementation and in the activities of CWG-WSIS&SDG and in ITU's further adaptation to the information society;
- to participate actively in ITU WSIS implementation activities to support achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, as appropriate;
- 3 to make voluntary contributions to the WSIS Trust Fund to support activities relating to the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and achievement of the SDGs;
- 4 to continue to contribute information on their activities to the public WSIS stocktaking database, maintained by ITU;
- 5 to continue to nominate projects for the annual WSIS Project Prizes;
- to encourage the participation of the ITU membership and other relevant stakeholders in ITU's activities that support the implementation of the WSIS outcomes and the achievement of the SDGs, as appropriate.

Annex: 1

ANNEX

Council CWG-WSIS&SDG Terms of Reference

- a) to facilitate inputs from membership on the ITU implementation of relevant WSIS outcomes, and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, through its regular meetings and circular letters, questionnaires or other appropriate methods of query;
- b) to oversee, consider and discuss ITU's implementation of the WSIS outcomes and achievement of the SDGs and related ITU activities, and, within the financial limits set by the Plenipotentiary Conference, to make resources available as appropriate;
- c) to monitor and evaluate on a yearly basis the actions taken by ITU with respect to implementation of WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including by considering draft reports prepared by the Secretariat for submission to ECOSOC and HLPF on Sustainable Development and making appropriate recommendations to the Council;
- d) to provide information to the membership regarding the actions to be performed by ITU in the implementation of WSIS outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, especially with respect to implementation of WSIS action lines C2 (Information and communication infrastructure), C4 (Capacity Building), C5 (Building confidence and security in the use of ICTs) and C6 (Enabling environment) where ITU is a facilitator;
- e) to provide the membership with proposals for ITU in taking an active role in the implementation of action lines C1, C3, C7, C8, C9, C11 and other WSIS outcomes and the achievement of the SDGs related to ITU's mandate within the financial limits set by the Plenipotentiary Conference;
- f) to provide guidance to ITU on the future activities of the ITU for the successful implementation of action lines C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6, C7, C8, C9, C11 and other WSIS outcomes and the achievement of the SDGs related to ITU's mandate within the financial limits set by the Plenipotentiary Conference;
- g) to provide guidance to ITU on how its future and ongoing activities can help achieve the WSIS Outcomes and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and provide direction in reviewing reporting and work plans to support those efforts;
- h) to develop proposals for Council's consideration, in liaison with other Council working groups that may be necessary for adapting ITU to its role in building the information society and implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with the assistance of the WSIS&SDG Task Force.

Ref.: Documents C11/95, C11/118; C15/110, C15/123; C16/120, C16/127; C19/137, C19/115; C23/83, C23/DT/10, C23/111 and C23/119.

RESOLUTION 1333 (C11, last amended C16)

Guiding principles for the creation, management and termination of Council working groups

The Council,

considering

- a) Articles 7 and 10 of the Constitution, according to which, in the interval between plenipotentiary conferences, the Council acts as governing body of the Union, on behalf of the Plenipotentiary Conference within the limits of the powers delegated to it by the latter;
- b) Decision 11 (Rev. Busan, 2014) on the creation and management of Council working groups, identifying the main principles of the creation and work of the Council working groups;
- c) Annex 2 to Decision 5 (Rev. Busan, 2014) on options for reducing expenditure, *inter alia*, the reduction of the number of Council working groups (CWGs) to the absolute minimum necessary and reduction as much as possible of the number and duration of physical meetings of working groups of the Council;
- d) Decision 584 of the Council 2015, identifying the principles for appointment and term of office for CWG Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen;
- e) WTSA Resolution 35 (Rev. Dubai, 2012), Resolution ITU-R 15-5, and WTDC Resolution 61 (Rev. Dubai, 2014) on appointment and maximum term of office for chairmen and vice-chairmen of study groups and advisory groups,

resolves

- that CWGs shall address issues, goals, strategies, and priorities identified in the Strategic and Financial Plans of the Union and in the decisions of the Plenipotentiary Conferences and the Council, and provide advice to the Council for its consideration;
- that in creating a Council working group, the terms of reference (ToR) of CWGs shall be clearly defined, and duplication and overlapping of tasks shall be avoided with other CWGs; ToRs may be modified, as appropriate, in order to respond to changing requirements;
- that appointment of CWG Chairmen and at least two Vice-Chairmen for each CWG should be guided by provisions of Decision 11 (Rev. Busan, 2014) and the Procedure of the Annex 1, including submission of the information given in the Annex 2;
- that term of office for Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of CWG should not exceed the interval between consecutive Plenipotentiary Conferences; that the period in office in one CWG does not count towards the period in office in other CWG; that steps should be taken to provide some continuity between CWG Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen;
- that it is necessary to plan and conduct CWG meetings in an efficient and cost effective manner, within the limits of the budget allocated by the Council; a CWG should normally hold one meeting and not more than two CWG meetings per year; and, if appropriate, one meeting of the CWGs can be integrated into the time allocation of the annual sessions of the Council; electronic meetings should be envisaged when necessary and feasible;

- that, as far as possible, CWGs should advance their activity by electronic means and working methods;
- that termination of a CWG is executed after completion of tasks within the framework of the group's mandate or in accordance with other decisions of the Council and/or the Plenipotentiary Conference, including Decision 11 (Rev. Busan, 2014),

resolves further

that the number and mandates of the CWGs, in particular, on any modifications required to existing groups in response to this resolution and to changing requirements should be examined, on an ongoing basis,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to submit to each Plenipotentiary Conference and to each Council a table that identifies the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of each CWG, their tenure of office and region;
- to ensure uniformity of the CWG websites that includes, at a minimum, terms of reference, the objective, composition, chairman and vice-chairmen, the secretariat, key Decisions and Resolutions, CWG documents and Reports.

ANNEX 1

Procedure for the appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Council working groups

- After a decision on the creation of a Council working group is adopted by the Plenipotentiary Conference or by the Council, the Secretary-General, in consultation with Member States, will prepare and publish, on the Council's webpage, a list of candidates and their profiles for each working group.¹
- Appointment decision shall be taken on the corresponding session of the Council (immediately after the Plenipotentiary Conference or on the Council's session which has taken the decision to create a CWG) taking into account the competency of candidates and with a view to promoting equitable geographical distribution and gender balance.
- 3 If a CWG Chairman could not continue his/her activity, a new Chairman is nominated, as a rule, from the existing Vice-Chairmen of this CWG; with the "partial" term of office not taken into account in the appointment for the next term.

Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the working group on use of the six official languages of the Union are appointed through linguistic groups. Their term of office is determined by the Council considering proposals from corresponding linguistic groups.

ANNEX 2

Qualifications of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen

In appointing Chairmen or Vice-Chairmen, particular consideration shall also be given to the following data on competency and qualifications:

- knowledge and experience in the corresponding field;
- experience in ITU meetings and other intergovernmental organizations;
- managerial skills;
- ability to immediately proceed to duties and continue working until the next Plenipotentiary
 Conference or the CWG termination;
- succession planning.

Particular reference to the above qualifications should be included in the biographical profile to be published by the Secretary-General.

Ref.: Documents C11/96 and C11/118; C16/122 and C16/134.

RESOLUTION 1334 (C11, last amended C23)

ITU Role in the Overall Review of the Implementation of the Outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society

The ITU Council,

recalling

- a) Resolution 73 (Minneapolis, 1998) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, which achieved its aims in regard to the holding of both phases of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS);
- b) Resolution 140 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary conference, on ITU's role in implementing the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, as well as in their follow-up and review processes;
- c) UNGA Resolution 70/125, on the outcome document of the high-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society;
- d) UNGA Resolution 70/1, on transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
- e) UNGA Resolution 76/307, on modalities for the Summit of the Future;
- f) Resolution 200 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, entitled Connect 2030 Agenda for global telecommunication/information and communication technology, including broadband, for sustainable development;

- g) Council Resolution 1332 (Modified 2019) on the ITU Role in the Implementation of the WSIS Outcomes up to 2015 and Future Activities beyond WSIS+10;
- h) Council Resolution 1334 (Modified 2015) on the ITU Role in the Overall Review of the Implementation of the Outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society,

recalling further

- a) the Geneva Declaration of Principles and Geneva Plan of Action, adopted in 2003, and the Tunis Commitment and Tunis Agenda for the Information Society, adopted in 2005, all of which were endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly;
- b) that UNGA, in its Resolution 70/125, decided to hold a high-level meeting on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of WSIS in 2025, involving the input and participation of all stakeholders, including in the preparatory process, to take stock of progress on the outcomes of the World Summit and identify both areas of continued focus and challenges,

considering

- a) the provisions of the ITU Constitution and Convention concerning the role of the Union with regard to policies and strategies;
- b) the resolutions adopted by Plenipotentiary Conference concerning WSIS and the SDGs;
- c) the role that ITU played in initiating and leading the management of WSIS and its contribution to the WSIS+10 Overall Review, including its successful coordination of WSIS+10 High-Level Event (Geneva 2014);
- d) the mandates given to ITU in respect of overall implementation of the WSIS outcomes,

notes with satisfaction

- a) ITU's leadership in the organization and coordination of the work done within the effective mechanism of Multistakeholder Preparatory Platform to the WSIS+10 High-Level Event;
- b) WSIS+10 High-Level Event was coordinated by ITU and co-organized by ITU, UNESCO, UNCTAD, UNDP with engagement of other UN Agencies, including FAO, ILO, UNEP, UNDESA, UNODC, UPU, ITC, UN Women, WMO, WHO, WFP, WIPO and UN Regional Commissions;
- c) multistakeholder and inclusive character of the UNGIS Open Consultation on WSIS+10 led by ITU that greatly contributed to its success;
- d) the WSIS Forum has proven to be a platform to assess progress, share experiences and promote further development on the basis of the participation of all WSIS stakeholders and, while considering the continuation of holding such a process, in consultation with UN agencies;
- e) ITU Secretary-General's efforts made towards ensuring synergies between the UN processes, including World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and the Summit of the Future,

appreciates

- a) efforts dedicated by the ITU towards the preparations for the WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event, as an extended version of the WSIS Forum 2024, to be hosted by Switzerland;
- b) efforts made by the ITU Secretary-General in the implementation of Council Resolutions 1332 and 1334;
- c) efforts of the ITU Secretary-General towards the mobilization of extra budgetary resources, corresponding to the financial requirements of the WSIS+20, while encouraging all Member States to contribute to the WSIS Fund in Trust of the ITU,

considering that the 2022 Plenipotentiary Conference resolved

- a) that ITU should continue to coordinate with the relevant United Nations organizations, where appropriate, to support the UNGA overall review of the WSIS outcomes in 2025 and to play an active role in the process according to ITU's WSIS+20 roadmap and the review process established by UNGA;
- b) that the WSIS Forum 2024 should be branded as WSIS+20 Forum High-level Event in Geneva and serve as a platform for the WSIS+20 review to provide multistakeholder discussions and to take stock of the achievements and key trends, challenges and opportunities since the Geneva Plan of Action;
- c) that ITU should provide to the UNGA WSIS+20 overall review a final report on ITU's role in implementation of the WSIS outcomes, in accordance with the review process established by UNGA;
- d) to take into account the UNGA decisions relevant to the WSIS process, including the WSIS+20 overall review, and achieving the SDGs,

resolves to instruct the Secretary-General

- to take all possible measures to encourage the full engagement and participation of all UN organizations, in particular those who have been mandated by the Tunis Agenda to perform particular tasks related to the implementation of the WSIS Outcomes, including all WSIS Action Line Facilitators;
- to submit and promote towards the 2025 UNGA Overall Review the outcomes of the WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event, elaborated through multistakeholder consultation process;
- to pursue efficient and effective collaboration and coordination with all stakeholders in the preparatory process for the UN General Assembly high-level meeting on the Overall Review of the Implementation of the Outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society in 2025, following the WSIS principles of multistakeholderism and inclusiveness;
- in collaboration and coordination with other UN Agencies, to contribute to the UN General Assembly high-level meeting in 2025, making the best possible use of experiences gathered by the Union during the organization of two phases of WSIS (2003-2005), WSIS+10 High-Level Event, including multistakeholder preparatory platform, and WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event;
- to provide annually to Council, through CWG-WSIS/SDG, a comprehensive report detailing the activities, actions, and engagements that the Union is undertaking on the relevant UN processes, including the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and the Summit of the Future, for consideration and appropriate action, if necessary;

- to present to the Council through CWG-WSIS&SDG until 2025, an update on WSIS+20 review process including the progress made in implementing the WSIS+20 roadmap for the preparations for and conducting of the WSIS+20 review process and the WSIS process beyond 2025;
- to undertake necessary actions directed towards the involvement of all ITU membership in the preparations for the overall review of implementation of the WSIS outcomes and a vision beyond 2025;
- to prepare and present a WSIS+20 report on ITU's contribution to the implementation of and follow-up to the WSIS outcomes and its role in achieving the SDGs (2015-2025) for submission to the 2025 session of CSTD and UNGA, and to submit this report to the 2025 session of the Council through CWG-WSIS&SDG;
- 9 to continue enhancing close cooperation and coordination with CSTD in regard to the WSIS+20 Overall Review;
- to continue to report on the WSIS Stocktaking process and implementation of the Action lines that was set up by Tunis Phase of WSIS to assist the follow-up, and ensure that all Administrations and Action Line Facilitators are informed about the templates and deadlines for reporting;
- to prepare a report on the outcomes of the 2025 high-level meeting of the UN General Assembly on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society to the Council 2026 through CWG-WSIS&SDG and to the plenipotentiary conference in 2026;
- to report annually to the Council on progress on this resolution through CWG-WSIS&SDG, invite directors of all Bureaux to engage actively in the implementation of this resolution,

instructs the CWG-WSIS&SDG

- to monitor and discuss the activities of the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux in relation to the implementation of this resolution;
- to consider ITU's contributions to various options for themes relevant to the substance of WSIS+20 and beyond with the assistance of the WSIS&SDG Task Force;
- based on the input of the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux and also proposals from Member States and Sector Members to analyze the final outcome document of the UN General Assembly high-level meeting in 2025 during the first cycle of 2026 CWG-WSIS&SDG session and discuss if amendments to the existing Council resolutions on WSIS are required,

encourages the Member States

- to contribute to the work of the CWG-WSIS&SDG by providing examples of good practice on using ICT tools for sustainable development;
- to participate actively in the preparatory process for the UNGA overall review of the WSIS outcomes in 2025, the 2023 SDG Summit and the 2024 Summit on the Future;
- 3 to participate in the UN General Assembly high-level meeting on the overall review of the implementation of WSIS outcomes in 2025 at the highest possible level, to promote ITU's activities in this regard, including the WSIS+20 Forum High-Level Event;

4 to consult with and consider the views of non-governmental stakeholders,

encourages the membership

- to actively participate in the process of preparation of the UN General Assembly high-level meeting in 2025;
- to assure that the outcome of the 2025 high-level meeting of the UN General Assembly on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society reflects to the greatest degree multistakeholder consensus, building on the consensus already achieved in Geneva and Tunis phases;
- to consider the need to continue the WSIS Process after 2025 for the further development of the information and knowledge societies with a view to take full advantage of ICT to accomplish the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;
- 4 to provide financial means for facilitating the participation of all relevant WSIS stakeholders from the developing and least developed countries in the UNGA preparatory process, in particular in informal interactive consultations;
- 5 to participate actively in the CWG-WSIS&SDG;
- 6 to contribute to the WSIS Fund in Trust of the ITU to ensure efficient and effective implementation of the WSIS+20 Process.

Ref.: Documents C11/103, C11/120; C12/101, C12/110; C13/108, C13/121; C15/111, C15/123; C23/71, C23/85, C23/DT/9, C23/111 and C23/120.

RESOLUTION 1336 (C11, last amended C19)

Council Working Group on international Internet-related Public Policy Issues (CWG-Internet)

The Council,

recognizing

- a) Resolution 102 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on ITU's role with regard to international public policy issues pertaining to the Internet and the management of Internet resources, including domain names and addresses;
- b) Council Resolution 1305 (2009) on the role of the Dedicated Group in identifying Internet-related public policy issues;
- c) Council Resolution 1344 (Mod. 2015) on The modality of open consultation for the Council Working Group on international Internet-related public policy issues,

further recognizing

- a) that § 35 of the Tunis Agenda reaffirms that the management of the Internet encompasses both technical and public policy issues and should involve all stakeholders and relevant intergovernmental and international organizations. In this respect it is recognized that:
- i) Policy authority for Internet-related public policy issues is the sovereign right of States. They have rights and responsibilities for international Internet-related public policy issues.
- ii) The private sector has had, and should continue to have, an important role in the development of the Internet, both in the technical and economic fields.
- iii) Civil society has also played an important role on Internet matters, especially at community level, and should continue to play such a role.
- iv) Intergovernmental organizations have had, and should continue to have, a facilitating role in the coordination of Internet-related public policy issues.
- v) International organizations have also had and should continue to have an important role in the development of Internet-related technical standards and relevant policies.
- b) that § 68 of the Tunis Agenda recognizes that all governments should have an equal role and responsibility for international Internet governance and for ensuring the stability, security and continuity of the Internet. It also recognizes the need for development of public policy by governments in consultation with all stakeholders;
- c) that § 36 of the Tunis Agenda recognizes the valuable contribution by the academic and technical communities within those stakeholder groups mentioned in § 35 to the evolution, functioning and development of the Internet;
- d) that the goal and intent of open consultations with stakeholders is to bring in unique perspectives that various stakeholder groups may have on aspects of certain topics, bearing in mind the sovereign right of states on public policy issues,

resolves

- to continue the work of the Council Working Group on international Internet-related Public Policy Issues, limited to Member States, with open consultation to all stakeholders and in accordance with terms of reference as described in the Annex;
- 2 CWG-Internet will decide on the international Internet-related public policy issues for open consultation according to the following guidelines:
- CWG-Internet will decide on the international Internet-related public policy issues for open consultation, drawing primarily from Council Resolution 1305;
- CWG-Internet should generally hold both open online consultation and physical open consultation meetings, with remote participation, within a reasonable period, prior to each CWG-Internet meeting;
- Relevant inputs received from stakeholders will be submitted to CWG-Internet for consideration of the issues chosen for its next meeting;
- the CWG-Internet will hold online consultations for all stakeholders on issues decided by the CWG-Internet. The consultation should be launched no later than 15 days after the end of the CWG-Internet meeting in which the topic(s) for consultation are decided. The deadline for responses should be 30 days before the physical open consultation meeting. The secretariat shall publish a consolidated report of consultation responses no later than 15 days before the physical open consultation meeting;
- all relevant inputs received in the open consultation will be available to the CWG-Internet and all other stakeholders on a dedicated publicly accessible webpage of the CWG-Internet website; in this regard:
- All stakeholders can submit their responses to a reflector set up by the ITU secretariat;
- An email address will be provided to send responses to the ITU secretariat;
- All relevant responses received from stakeholders as well as a compiled version will be submitted for consideration in the next meeting of CWG-Internet;
- a Physical open consultation meeting, with remote participation taking into account that webcasting and captioning are also especially relevant to support the participation to persons with disabilities, should be conducted within three days prior to the CWG-Internet meeting, preferably at the beginning of the week;
- in addition, the CWG-Internet may decide to conduct another physical open consultation organized by the ITU, as appropriate, at relevant multistakeholder forums/events such as the annual WSIS Forum among others consistent with the rules and procedures of these forums/events, in order to facilitate greater participation of stakeholders in the physical consultation process;
- 7 input from the open online consultation on the topic(s) decided by the CWG-Internet will form the basis of discussion at the physical open consultation meetings,

instructs the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux

- to pursue activities specified in *instructs the Secretary-General* and *instructs Directors of the Bureaux* (including specific instructions to the Directors of BDT and TSB) of Resolution 102 (Rev. Dubai, 2018);
- to update the existing web repository of experiences and best practices in international Internetrelated public policy issues,

invites Member States

to elaborate their respective position on each of the international Internet-related public policy issues addressed by the Council Working Group and to contribute actively to the work of the Group.

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Council Working Group on international Internet-related Public Policy Issues

Terms of Reference

The terms of reference for the Council Working Group are:

- identify, study and develop matters related to international Internet-related public policy issues, and including those issues identified in Council Resolution 1305 (2009);
- work in accordance with decisions of the Plenipotentiary Conference 2018 stipulated in Resolution 102 (Rev. Dubai, 2018);
- disseminate its outputs throughout ITU's membership and the ITU secretariat and to all relevant international organizations and stakeholders actively involved in such matters for their consideration in their policy making processes;
- 4 consider and discuss the activities of the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux in relation to implementation of Resolution 102 (Rev. Dubai, 2018), and to prepare inputs into these activities as appropriate;
- consider and discuss the report prepared by the Secretary-General for Council related to Internet activities of the Union and provide comments if necessary;
- decide on the international Internet-related public policy issues for open consultations in accordance with Council Resolution 1344 (Rev. 2015);

- organize and conduct open online and physical consultations with all stakeholders on the International public policy issues in accordance with Council Resolution 1344 (Rev. 2015); Physical consultation meetings should, to the maximum extent possible, provide remote participation, webcasting and captioning facilities (including transcript captioning) so as to support the participation of the persons with disabilities;
- 8 relevant inputs received from stakeholders will be submitted to CWG-Internet for consideration of the issues chosen for its next meeting;
- 9 encourage all stakeholders to submit their national and international experiences and best practices on Internet-related public policy issues in order to enrich the existing repository for the benefit of all Member States;
- 10 provide an annual report to the Council on CWG-Internet activities.

Ref.: Documents C11/99 and C11/119; C15/113, C15/124; C19/140 and C19/117.

RESOLUTION 1372 (C15, last amended C19)

Council Working Group on Languages (CWG-LANG)

The Council,

recalling

- a) Resolution 69/324, on multilingualism, adopted by the General Assembly on 11 September 2015;
- b) Resolution 154 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on use of the six official languages of the Union on an equal footing;
- c) Decision 5 (Rev. Dubai, 2018), on revenue and expenses for the Union for the period 2020-2023;
- d) Resolution 1238, on use of six official and working languages of the Union, adopted by the Council in 2005;
- e) Resolution 1386, on the joint ITU Coordination Committee for Terminology (ITU CCT), adopted by the Council in 2017,

considering

the Report of the ITU Council Working Group on Languages (CWG-LANG) submitted to and adopted by the 2018 session of the Council (<u>Document C18/12</u>),

recognizing

a) the work accomplished by CWG-LANG, as well as the work by the secretariat to implement the working group's recommendations as agreed by the Council at its 2009-2018 sessions, in particular with regard to the unification of linguistic databases for definitions and terminology and the centralization of editing functions as well as harmonizing and unifying working procedures in the six language services;

b) that the ITU website represents an essential tool for Member States, the media, non-governmental organizations, educational institutions and the general public,

recognizing further

the budget constraints facing the Union,

noting

- a) that the advisory groups of the three Sectors of the Union have regularly reviewed recommendations on appropriate interim changes to working methods and practices in relation to the use of languages with a view to reducing language costs;
- b) the work accomplished by the ITU CCT on the adoption and agreement of terms and definitions in the field of telecommunications/ICTs in all six official languages of the Union,

resolves

- to continue the work of CWG-LANG, open to all Member States of the Union, in particular those representative of and reflecting one or more of the six official languages of the Union, and to conduct its work mainly by correspondence;
- 2 to approve the terms of reference provided in the Annex;
- 3 to instruct CWG-LANG to submit annual progress reports to the Council,

instructs the Secretary-General, in close coordination with the Directors of the Bureaux and with the advice of the Council Working Group on Languages

- to implement all necessary measures in order to finalize the implementation of Resolution 154 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) within the financial limits of the Union as defined in its budget, while ensuring the required high quality of interpretation and translation;
- as required by Resolution 154 (Rev. Dubai, 2018), to present annually to the Council and to CWG-LANG, a report on the implementation of Resolution 154 (Rev. Dubai, 2018);
- 3 to intensify work on harmonization of the ITU Sectors' websites in a manner to ensure use of the six official languages of the Union on an equal footing,

further instructs the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux

- to provide all relevant information and assistance to CWG-LANG;
- to continue to identify and implement the most efficient measures in order to facilitate the implementation of Resolution 154 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) within the financial limits of the Union;
- 3 to report to CWG-LANG on the measures taken to ensure on the ITU website i) the publication of new or modified pages in the six official languages simultaneously and ii) equality in terms of functionality and navigation.

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Council Working Group on Languages (CWG-LANG)

Terms of reference

- to review proposals presented by the members of the Working Group and the General Secretariat, the Directors of the Bureaux and the Sector advisory groups on the annual report submitted by the Secretary-General according to the mandate of Resolution 154 (Rev. Dubai, 2018);
- to evaluate the current ITU publications policy and procedures as far as the six official languages of the Union are concerned and to propose new cost-recovery and financing mechanisms in accordance with Resolution 66 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010);
- to evaluate the processes implemented by the General Secretariat and the Bureaux for the publication of new pages on the ITU website (as well as modifications to existing pages) and, as appropriate, to propose measures to ensure that the pages in question are made accessible to the public in the six official languages simultaneously and are equal in terms of functionality and navigation;
- 4 to develop recommendations for efficient and effective use of the six official languages of the Union on an equal footing including particular incentives for each linguistic group, based on practical experiences of the Sectors and the secretariat;
- to analyse the adoption by ITU of alternative translation procedures, in order to reduce translation and typing expenses in the budget of the Union, while maintaining or improving the current quality of translation and the correct use of technical telecommunication terminology;
- to analyse, including through the use of appropriate qualitative and quantitative indicators, application of the updated measures and principles for interpretation and translation adopted by the Council, taking into consideration the financial constraints, and bearing in mind the ultimate objective of full implementation of treatment of the six official languages on an equal footing;
- 7 to review results of implementation of operational measures from *instructs the Council* 3, Resolution 154 (Rev. Dubai, 2018), drawing special attention to equitable use of the six languages on the ITU website:
- 8 to assist in the review of possible approaches to financing and maintaining a WSIS Forum website, available in the six official languages of ITU;
- 9 to coordinate and cooperate with the ITU CCT and the Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources to improve efficiency of work and to avoid duplication;
- to monitor progress on the implementation of Resolution 154 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) and to prepare reports for consideration by the Member States and annual session of the Council and a final report for transmission to the next Plenipotentiary conference, as appropriate.

Ref.: Documents <u>C15/107</u> and <u>C15/99</u>; <u>C16/120</u>, <u>C16/126</u>; <u>C19/138</u> and <u>C19/116</u>.

RESOLUTION 1404 (C21)

Establishment of the Council Working Group for Strategic and Financial Plans for 2024-2027

The ITU Council,

considering

that No. 74A of the Constitution requires the Secretary-General to provide information necessary for the preparation of a Strategic Plan,

considering also

- a) that in accordance with No. 62A of the Convention, the Council is required to receive and review the specific data for strategic planning that is provided by the Secretary-General as noted in No. 74A of the Constitution and, in the last but one ordinary session of the Council before the next plenipotentiary conference, initiate the preparation of a draft new strategic plan for the Union, drawing upon input from Member States, Sector Members and the Sector advisory groups, and produce a coordinated draft new strategic plan at least four months before that plenipotentiary conference;
- b) the provisions of Decision 5 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) concerning the revenue and expenses for the Union for the period 2020-2023;
- c) the guiding principles for the creation, management and termination of Council working groups established in <u>Decision 11 (Rev. Dubai, 2018)</u>,

resolves

to establish a Council Working Group to develop the draft Strategic and Financial Plans for consideration by the 2022 Session of the Council and presentation by Council to PP-22. The Working Group (CWG-SFP), open to Member States and, when addressing the draft Strategic Plan, also open to Sector Members, has the following terms of reference:

- a) to identify, with the assistance of the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux, sources of information to be used in the development of the draft Plans;
- b) to develop draft Strategic and Financial Plans for presentation to the 2022 session of the Council;
- c) to post on the PP-22 website a coordinated draft new Strategic Plan four months before the Plenipotentiary Conference;
- d) to continue its discussions, if necessary, on the Financial Plan until the extraordinary session of the Council prior to the PP-22;
- e) to closely coordinate with other Council Working Groups and Sector advisory groups which may work on items related to the draft Strategic and Financial Plans,

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instructs the Secretary-General, with support of the Directors of the Bureaux

to provide the necessary support and documentation for the operation of the CWG-SFP,

invites the membership, the Council Working Groups, the Elected Officials, and the Sector advisory groups

to provide all contributions and all necessary assistance to the development of the draft Strategic and Financial Plans, and to make full use of electronic means of working.

Ref.: Documents <u>C21/64</u> and <u>C21/85</u> and <u>DM-21/1017</u>.

DECISION 8 (C-1950, last amended C-1958)

Documents to be sent to members of the Union in connection with the decisions of the Council

It was *decided*, with regard to the provisions of Rule 21 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council, to leave the Secretary-General to decide, at his discretion, what documents, other than summary records of Plenary and Committee Meetings and the text of the Resolutions and Decisions taken by the Council, should be sent to the administrations to acquaint them with the activities of the Council and its decisions.

Ref.: Documents 807/CA5 (1950), 2138/CA13 (1958).

DECISION 375 (C-1975, last amended C-1990)

Travel expenses of members of the Council

The Council,

decides that as from the 46th Session the air travel expenses of councillors will be reimbursed at the economy class rate. However when other arrangements are applicable to ITU appointed staff, they shall also apply to councillors.

Ref.: Documents 4856/CA30 (1975), 7064 and 7076/CA45 (1990).

DECISION 495 (C-2000, last amended C16)

Council Information documents

The Council,

noting

- a) measures recommended in Decision 5 (Rev. Busan, 2014) regarding reduction of the cost of documentation of conferences and meetings;
- b) Documents <u>C14/44</u> and <u>C14/INF/4</u> on measures and principles for interpretation and translation, noting further

Council Decision 556 on submission and publication of documentation for Council Sessions and Council working group meetings,

recalling

- a) that proposals and contributions by Member States, reports by Council working groups and reports by the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux referred to in the Constitution and the Convention or in reply to instructions by the Plenipotentiary Conference, conferences and assemblies of the Union, and the Council have to be published as Council documents for its action;
- b) that other documents may be presented to Council for its information only,

having noted with satisfaction

that the 2015 session of Council has been conducted successfully in a full paperless manner,

considering

- a) that only the Council has the authority to decide on the manner in which it may treat the documents presented to it for its action (consideration and decision) or its information;
- b) that in order to reduce translation costs some supporting documents should not be translated in all the official languages of the Union,

decides

- that the following documents are considered as information documents and shall be made available in electronic format in original language(s) only:
- 1.1 contributions by Member States, other than proposals, which are not presented to Council for its action;
- 1.2 any other documents that the submitter considers appropriate for the information of the Council, as it is not submitted for its action;
- that information documents published in electronic format¹ should preferably be limited to five (5) pages in accordance with ITU practice, shall include on the cover page a summary prepared by the submitter; the summary will be translated into English by the secretariat;

¹ Information documents may be provided on paper format to persons with disability upon request.

that if, in the light of the summary referred to in *decides* 2 above, a Member State of the Council considers that an information document needs to be considered by the Council for further action, as appropriate, that document shall be published in all six official languages. Member States of Council should express their wish in this respect no later than five (5) calendar days after its publication on the Council website.

Ref.: Documents <u>C2000/89</u> and <u>C2000/95</u>; <u>C16/122</u> and <u>C16/133</u>.

DECISION 519 (CO4, last modified C12)

Participation of Sector Members in sessions of the Council as observers

The Council,

considering

- a) Resolution 145 (Antalya, 2006), on participation of observers in conferences, assemblies and meetings of the Union;
- b) Resolution 58 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010), on strengthening of relations between ITU and regional telecommunication organizations,

noting

the decision of the 2005 session of the Council regarding the participation of Member States of the Union with observer status in sessions of the Council,

recognizing

the decision of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Marrakesh, 2002) to make Council more transparent and inclusive to the membership,

taking into account

the Rules of Procedure of the Council (Rule 7.4), whereby observer Sector Members shall have neither the right to vote nor to submit contributions, whether written or oral,

conscious

- a) of the imperative to proceed cautiously in order to avoid impeding the important work of Council, given its broad and complex agenda and the serious constraints on its time and resources;
- b) of the need to respect Council's distinct characteristic, i.e., that it is the elected governing body of the Union in the interval between plenipotentiary conferences and, of the importance of ensuring accountability of the ITU Council to the Member States of the Union;
- c) of the need to avoid introducing divisive or competitive dynamics to Council sessions or eroding the integrity of the decision-making hierarchy within each Sector;
- d) of the imperative to avoid detracting from the important tasks of the Sector Advisory Groups as set out in Articles 11A, 14A and 17A of the Convention,

decides

to approve the audio webcasting of Council proceedings to Member States and Sector Members subject to the implementation of appropriate measures to respect, in particular, the restricted nature of Council's proceedings;

- to approve the admission of observers representing Sector Members pursuant to No. 60B of the Convention to sessions of the Council on the basis of the criteria set out in Annex A;
- to grant admission to the six principal regional telecommunication organizations, namely the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT), the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT), the Inter-American Telecommunications Commission (CITEL), the African Telecommunications Union (ATU), the Council of Arab Ministers of Telecommunication and Information represented by the Secretariat-General of the League of Arab States (LAS) and the Regional Commonwealth in the field of Communications (RCC), to participate as observer Sector Members in sessions of the Council on the invitation of the Secretary-General of ITU in addition to the quota established in Annex A,

instructs the Directors of the Bureaux

to bring this decision to the attention of the Sector advisory groups and invite them to take appropriate measures, taking into account in particular the conditions specified in Annex A below.

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(to Decision 519)

- Each Sector Advisory Group, through consultations and taking into account *conscious d)* above, nominates up to three Sector Members to attend Council as observers representing the Sector Members of that Sector.
- A facility at ITU headquarters shall be provided for all nominated Sector Member observers should it not be possible for all of them to be seated in the Council meeting room. This facility shall have a live one-way audio feed to the meeting.
- 3 The name of each nominated Sector Member observer shall be formally communicated to the Secretary-General by the Bureau Directors, with sufficient prior notice to facilitate the registration of these individuals.
- 4 At Council sessions, no contributions, either written or oral, shall be permitted by the observers representing Sector Members in Council meetings, its committees or working groups, or in any groups created by them.
- These observers representing Sector Members shall attend Council meetings at their own expense and only one individual from the designated Sector Member may be admitted. This function is not to add to the cost of each Sector or to be factored into its budgetary appropriation or operational plan.
- 6 Each Sector's nomination of Sector Member observers should take into account the following factors: geographic distribution, Sector Member contributions to the Union, categories of Sector Members and commercial affiliation.

Ref.: Documents C04/82 and C04/106; C12/92 and C12/107.

DECISION 524 (C05)

Participation of Observer Member States at ITU Council meetings

The Council,

considering

the amendment made by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Marrakesh, 2002) to No. 60A of the ITU Convention concerning Member State observers at Council,

considering further

Resolution 109 (Marrakesh, 2002) concerning the review and consolidation of provisions regarding observers which *inter alia* instructs Council to allow Member State observers to address meetings of Council at the invitation of the Chairman of the Council,

noting

that, consistent with No. 61B of the Convention, Council is responsible for aligning its Rules of Procedure with the text of the Constitution and Convention,

taking into account

Council Rules of Procedure (Rule 11) which requires that the admission of observers of Member States and their conditions of participation be applied to all meetings of Council, its committees and working groups,

recognizing

- that, pursuant to Rule 12, Member States which are not Member States of Council may submit written contributions to Council;
- that Council 2003 accepted the criteria set out by the Chairman for a procedure to implement, on a provisional basis, the instruction from Resolution 109 (Marrakesh, 2002) to allow observer Member States to address meetings of Council;
- 3 these criteria have been applied, fulfilling the instruction to Council of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Marrakesh, 2002),

decides

- to amend Rule 7 paragraph 3 of its Rules of Procedure for consistency with the Convention to read:
 - "3. Observers designated by Observer Members shall not have the right to vote."
- that Member States having the status of observer attending Council may be invited by the Chairman to take the floor to make statements to meetings of Council in accordance with Rule 11 under the following conditions:
- a) that the observer Member State has previously signalled to the secretariat its wish to speak on particular items of the agenda or to introduce its written contribution;
- b) the floor will be given only after the Member States of the Council have finished making their statements;

- c) the observer Member State will be entitled to speak only once on any given agenda item;
- d) the duration of such statements will be limited according to the number of requests made and the total amount of time allocated with respect to the work to be accomplished;
- to reference these decisions in its Report to the Plenipotentiary Conference 2006 on its followup to the decisions of PP-02 and to note in that Report that Council will re-examine its Rules of Procedure at a future session of Council after having taken into account the results of PP-06,

instructs the Secretary-General

to issue and post the modified Rule 7 as a single revision to the Rules of Procedure of the Council and to notify Member States of the change in the circular letters associated with the convening of Council 2006.

Ref.: Documents <u>C05/84</u> and <u>C05/74</u>.

DECISION 540 (C06)

Creation of a single Standing Committee on Administration and Management

The Council

in view of

Article 4 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union setting out the responsibilities of Council and, in particular, No. 61B specifying its mandate to adopt its own rules of procedure,

considering

the need to address the important human and financial resource issues of the Union in the most effective and coherent manner possible,

recognizing

that the oversight of the administration and management of the Union and its activities is the key function and responsibility of the Council and the imperative of ensuring that staff matters are addressed as resources vital to success in achieving the Union's mission,

recognizing further

that the 1998 and 2002 Plenipotentiary Conferences successfully combined the consideration of personnel and financial matters in a single committee,

decides

to combine the standing Committee of Council on Finance and the Standing Committee on Staff Matters to create a single Standing Committee on Administration and Management effective as at the 2007 Ordinary Session of Council,

further decides

to modify the relevant Rules of Procedure as follows:

Rule of Procedure 11:

"The Council may set up committees and working groups, in the work of which all councillors, their advisers and observers shall be entitled to take part. During Council sessions, one standing committee on the Administration and Management of the Union shall consider staff and financial matters. Observers designated....."

Rule of Procedure 12.2:

"The standing committee shall meet immediately after the inaugural plenary meeting, for a length of time decided by the inaugural plenary meeting in the light of the previous Council's recommendations."

Rule of Procedure 12.4:

"The standing committees shall consider the documents allocated to it bythe inaugural plenary meeting, such as the reports by the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux, the draft budget, the annual report to the Members of the Union, and contributions by Members of the Council, as well as contributions submitted by other Members of the Union where the Council has requested such contributions. The standing committee shall prepare draft resolutions and draft decisions and, where necessary, shall prepare reports for consideration by the plenary meeting of the Council. Working groups shall submit their conclusions to the bodies by which they were established, except if it is decided otherwise."

Rule of Procedure 12.5:

"The standing committee and working groups shall make every effort to achieve a consensus on the matters submitted to them for consideration; failing this, the chairman of the standing committee or working group in question shall prepare, for consideration by the plenary, a brief report setting out the views expressed by the various participants."

Rule of Procedure 12.6:

"The standing committees shall not meet during a plenary meeting."

Rule of Procedure 13.1:

"The summary records of plenary meetings and meetings of the standing committee shall be drawn up in concise form by the secretariat of the Council."

Rule of Procedure 13.4a):

"a) Revised summary records containing all amendments requested shall be submitted as soon as possible to the plenary meeting or the

and b):

standing committee for approval.
b) Revised summary records which the Council has been unable to examine before the end of the session shall be examined and approved by the Chairman of the Council or of the standing committee."

Ref.: Documents <u>C06/74</u> and <u>C06/86</u>.

DECISION 556 (C10, last amended C16)

Submission and publication of documentation for Council sessions and Council working group meetings

The Council,

considering

- a) Article 10 of the Constitution and Article 4 of the Convention which specify the roles and responsibilities of Council on a wide range of governance and policy issues;
- b) Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council concerning the preparation of documents;
- c) the requirements under said Rule 20 that a preparatory document shall be published on each item on the draft agenda of an ordinary or extraordinary session, as soon as possible and, in principle, not later than four weeks before the opening of the session;
- d) the further stipulation in Rule 20 that any important document issued after this time limit will be examined at the next session of the Council, unless the Council decides otherwise,

recalling

- a) Resolution 165 (Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on deadlines for the submission of proposals and procedures for the registration of participants for conferences and assemblies of the Union;
- b) Resolution 154 (Rev. Busan, 2014), on use of the six official languages of the Union on an equal footing,

bearing in mind

the rules of procedure and working methods adopted by the competent conference or assembly of the Telecommunication Standardization Sector, the Radiocommunication Sector and the Telecommunication Development Sector outlining requirements for the timely submission of contributions in support of the work of the respective Sectors,

recognizing

- a) the need for stricter compliance with submission deadlines, and that the secretariat should continue to pursue the ongoing operational objective of maintaining and enhancing timely delivery and publication of Council and Council working group documents;
- b) the importance of the timely submission of contributions, not only to ensure that translation deadlines are respected and to minimize significant cost overruns, but also to ensure that meeting participants have sufficient time to consider the nature of the issues raised in such contributions,

taking into account

- a) that the late submission of many contributions from Member States to the Council places a serious burden on the ITU secretariat to ensure their translation, as well as difficulties for the Member States of Council to give proper consideration to the issues and proposals contained therein;
- b) that the late submission of ITU secretariat documents calling for a decision of the Council or a Council working group prevents the Member States from submitting their comments and proposals on those documents in a timely manner,

decides

- that, taking into account the nominal deadlines for the preparation of documents specified in Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council, all contributions should be submitted no later than 14 calendar days before the opening of a Council session or a Council working group meeting in which work is to be conducted in all six official languages of the Union, to ensure timely translation and their thorough consideration during that Council session;
- that documents intended for consideration at Council working group meetings working in one language without translation should be submitted no later than 12 calendar days before the opening of the meeting;
- 3 that ITU secretariat documents calling for a decision of the Council or a Council working group should be posted on the relevant page of the website no later than 30 calendar days before the opening of the Council session or Council working group meeting;
- that all other documents submitted to a Council session or a Council working group meeting should be posted on the relevant page of the website no later than seven calendar days before the beginning of the meeting. This deadline shall not extend to administrative documents or reports on events that have taken place less than 21 calendar days before the start of the meeting, nor to proposals from Chairmen and convenors of ad-hoc groups, compilations of proposals prepared by the Chairman or secretariat, or contributions specifically requested by the meeting;
- that reports on events that have taken place less than 21 calendar days before the start of the meeting should be posted on the relevant page of the website no later than two calendar days before the beginning of the discussion of the item in question at the meeting, unless otherwise agreed by the meeting.

Ref.: Documents C10/85 and C10/91; C11/116 and C11/121; C16/122 and C16/135.

DECISION 563 (C11, last amended C23)

Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources

The ITU Council,

recalling

Decision 546, Modification of the Terms of Reference of the Council Group on the Financial Regulations and Related Financial Management Issues, adopted by the Council in 2007,

considering

- a) Resolution 71 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on the strategic plan for the Union for 2024-2027;
- b) Decision 5 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on revenue and expenses for the Union for the period 2024-2027;
- c) Resolution 48 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on human resources management and development,

recognizing

- a) the need to ensure linkage between the Union's strategic, financial and operational plans and corresponding human resources strategic plan;
- b) that the further improvement of results-based management requires regular assessment of the achievement of the strategic goals and thematic priorities, with a view towards increasing efficiency through reallocation of budget when necessary;
- c) that transforming strategic planning into an ongoing process increases awareness and participation from ITU membership and the ITU staff;
- d) the need to address the importance of financial and human resources matters between Council sessions, particularly those which require the review and possible modification of the ITU financial instruments (Financial Regulations and Financial Rules) as well as the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules,

decides

- 1 to approve the modified terms of reference, as outlined in Annex 1 to this decision;
- that the Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources (CWG-FHR) should review and submit relevant proposals to Council related to:
- a) implementation of the strategic plan of the Union, revenue and expenses for the Union, financial and operational plans;
- b) management and development of human resources;
- c) implementation of the ITU Accountability Framework;
- that the Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources reports annually on its activities to Council;
- 4 where required, to provide interpretation in the six ITU official languages, captioning and transcription.

ANNEX

Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources (CWG-FHR)

Terms of Reference

The terms of reference of the Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources, open to all Member States and Sector Members, are:

- 1 To consider and develop proposals for consideration by Council in order to ensure that:
 - results-based budgeting and management continues to be fully implemented and further improved, including an ongoing assessment of the implementation of the interlinked strategic, financial, and operational plans and the biennial budget;
 - ii) constant enhancements to the ITU management system are consequentially reflected in ongoing changes to the financial instruments;
 - iii) alignments are made with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) requirements and terminology in order to clarify such concepts of Net Assets and the Reserve Account;
 - iv) relevant recommendations of the UN Joint Inspection Unit, the External Auditor and the Independent Management Advisory Committee (IMAC) affecting financial and human resources management of the Union are taken into account;
 - v) all plenipotentiary conference provisions on revenue and expenses for the Union are taken into account including measures to reduce expenditures and increase efficiencies as means of achieving balanced budgets;
 - vi) the necessary financial and administrative arrangements and decisions are taken to facilitate the implementation of plenipotentiary conference resolutions and decisions on:
 - a) strengthening the regional presence;
 - b) the Union's future headquarters premises;
 - c) the strengthening of the project execution and project monitoring function;
 - d) the development and implementation of an ITU-wide financial resource mobilization strategy;
- 2 To undertake, on an annual basis, an evaluation of the implementation of results-based management including the prioritization of activities and initiatives of the Union taking into consideration specific criteria identified in the strategic plan for the Union;
- 3 To review and provide comments on the annual report on extrabudgetary activities and related expenses and make recommendations for consideration by Council, as appropriate;
- 4 To consider issues related to the coordination of the work of the three ITU Sectors and the General Secretariat so as to follow its evolution and recommend decisions to be taken by Council to ensure its implementation;
- To examine and, if necessary, recommend modifications of the provisions of the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules, with a view towards ensuring:

- a) conformity and consistency with the basic instruments of the Union, decisions and resolutions of the plenipotentiary conference and the Council, as well as the evolving needs of the ITU;
- b) providing the flexibility arrangements, including deferred activities to be carried out for the following biennium, are consistent with those of other United Nations organizations;
- To ensure that the Financial Regulations include provisions for internal control in line with those of other United Nations organizations;
- 7 To consider, based on inputs from the secretariat, a proposed methodology to assist Member States in preparing cost 'estimates' for proposals to conferences and assemblies of the Union to allow for estimates of financial implications of those decisions;
- 8 To consider reports from the Secretary-General regarding fellowships, to review the existing criteria for awarding fellowship and make recommendations to Council with a view towards improving, promoting and strengthening ITU fellowships;
- 9 To examine, review and make recommendations to Council on all matters related to human resources management and development, including the comprehensive four-year HR strategic plan and those identified in resolutions of plenipotentiary conferences on human resources management and development;
- To consider reports from the Secretary-General on the Ethics function and accountability framework in ITU and, if necessary, make proposals to the Council for the further improvements;
- To consider and propose for consideration by Council possible comprehensive improvements to the ITU electoral process in accordance with plenipotentiary conference decisions and recommendations;
- To maintain close association with ITU management and the Staff Council with a view towards identifying issues of common concern, in respect of which the Council's opinions and guidance are required and justified.

Ref.: Documents C11/103, C11/120; C13/113, C13/122; C14/99, C14/101; C19/142, C19/120; C23/97, C23/104(Rev.1), C23/112 and C23/129.

DECISION 584 (C15)

Creation and management of Council Working Groups

The Council,

decides

- that the current Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of a CWG shall remain in office in the same position until PP-18;
- that the current Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of a CWG shall be eligible for reelection to the same position;
- that, notwithstanding the above, any chairman or vice-chairman of a CWG shall remain in office in the same position for a maximum of four (4) years, non-renewable term;
- keeping in mind the 3 points above, to instruct the Secretary-General to prepare a report/analysis on the principles and rules for the creation, management, termination of CWG as well as the selection process and the principles of geographical rotation and gender balance of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen, to be reviewed by the CWG-FHR at its next meeting and to be received by the CWG-FHR at least six weeks before its meeting;
- to instruct the CWG-FHR to review Resolution 1333 taking into account the report of the Secretary-General and Decision 11 (Rev. Busan, 2014) and to submit its conclusion in that respect to Council 2016.

Ref.: Documents C15/116 and C15/125.

DECISION 635 (C23)

Dates and duration of the 2024, 2025, and 2026 sessions of the Council, along with the clusters of Council Working Groups and Expert Groups for 2024, 2025 and 2026

The ITU Council,

bearing in mind

- a) Resolution 77 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, which instructs the Council "at each ordinary session, to schedule its next three ordinary sessions in June-July and to review the Council's schedule on a rolling basis";
- b) Resolution 111 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, which resolves "that the Union and the Member States of the Council should make every effort, as far as practicable, in order that the planned period of any Council session not be scheduled during a period which is considered a major religious period by a Member State of the Council";
- c) Decision 619 on Headquarters Premises adopted at the additional 2019 session of the Council, recalling

Council Decision 626 (C22) confirming the dates and duration for the 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026 sessions of the Council, along with the cluster of Council Working Groups and Expert Groups for 2023, 2024, and 2025,

considering

the need to schedule ordinary sessions of the Council as much as possible around the same time-frame each year in order to facilitate the arrangement of other ITU events,

considering further

the need to organize the ordinary session of the Council taking place in a plenipotentiary conference (PP) year early enough to allow any Council reports intended to be further considered at PP to be published reasonably far in advance,

emphasizing

that scheduling the clusters of Council Working Groups and Expert Groups (CWGs & EGs), over the next three years, would not only improve the overall planning of ITU events, but also reduce the risk of overlapping,

acknowledging

the constraints linked to meeting room availabilities during the demolition and early construction phase of the Headquarters Premises,

mindful

of Decision 11 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference on the creation and management of Council Working Groups, referring to Annex 2 to Decision 5 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Conference on options for reducing expenses,

decides

- that the 2024 session of the Council will open in Geneva for a period of nine working days, and will hold its clusters of CWGs & EGs as follows:
- First cluster: from Monday, 22 January to Friday, 2 February 2024
- Council-24: from Tuesday, 4 June to Friday, 14 June 2024
- Second cluster: from Monday, 30 September to Friday, 11 October 2024;
- that the 2025 session of the Council will open in Geneva for a period of nine working days, and will hold its clusters of CWGs & EGs as follows:
- First cluster: from Monday, 10 February to Friday, 21 February 2025
- Council-25: from Tuesday, 1 July to Friday, 11 July 2025
- Second cluster: from Monday, 8 September to Friday, 19 September 2025;
- 3 that the 2026 ordinary session of the Council will open in Geneva for a period of nine working days, and will hold its cluster of CWGs & EGs as follows:
- Sole cluster: from Monday, 12 January to Friday, 23 January 2026
- Council-26: from Tuesday, 28 April to Friday, 8 May 2026, and shall have its final meeting on the Saturday prior to the start of the 2026 Plenipotentiary Conference.

Ref.: Documents C23/2, C23/87, C23/112, C23-ADD/2, C23-ADD/6, C23-ADD/11 and C23-ADD/13.

3.3 Plenipotentiary Conference

DECISION 636 (C23)

Convening of the next ordinary plenipotentiary conference

The ITU Council,

noting

Resolution 77 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) which provides that the next plenipotentiary conference (PP) shall be held in the last quarter of 2026 in Doha, Qatar,

decides

- a) that, subject to the concurrence of the majority of the Member States of the Union, the next ordinary plenipotentiary conference will take place for a period of three weeks at the Doha Exhibition and Convention Center;
- b) that the opening and closing dates of the conference will be from Monday, 9 November 2026 to Friday, 27 November 2026,

instructs the Secretary-General

to undertake a site visit and report to the 2024 session of the Council.

Ref.: Documents C23-ADD/4, C23-ADD/10 and C23-ADD/14.

RESOLUTION 1399 (C20)

Agenda of the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-23)

The	ITU	Cou	ncil	
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noting

that Resolution 811 of the World Radiocommunication Conference (Sharm el-Sheikh, 2019):

- *a)* resolved to recommend to the Council that a world radiocommunication conference be held in 2023 for a maximum period of four weeks;
- b) recommended its agenda, and invited the Council to finalize the agenda and arrange for the convening of WRC-23 and to initiate as soon as possible the necessary consultation with Member States,

resolves

to convene a World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-23) in 2023, preceded by the Radiocommunication Assembly, with the following agenda:

- on the basis of proposals from administrations, taking account of the results of WRC-19 and the Report of the Conference Preparatory Meeting, and with due regard to the requirements of existing and future services in the frequency bands under consideration, to consider and take appropriate action in respect of the following items:
- to consider, based on the results of ITU-R studies, possible measures to address, in the frequency band 4 800-4 990 MHz, protection of stations of the aeronautical and maritime mobile services located in international airspace and waters from other stations located within national territories, and to review the power flux-density criteria in No. **5.441B** in accordance with Resolution **223 (Rev.WRC-19)**;
- to consider identification of the frequency bands 3 300-3 400 MHz, 3 600-3 800 MHz, 6 425-7 025 MHz, 7 025-7 125 MHz and 10.0-10.5 GHz for International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT), including possible additional allocations to the mobile service on a primary basis, in accordance with Resolution **245 (WRC-19)**;
- to consider primary allocation of the frequency band 3 600-3 800 MHz to the mobile service in Region 1 and take appropriate regulatory actions, in accordance with Resolution **246 (WRC-19)**;

- 1.4 to consider, in accordance with Resolution **247 (WRC-19)**, the use of high-altitude platform stations as IMT base stations (HIBS) in the mobile service in certain frequency bands below 2.7 GHz already identified for IMT, on a global or regional level;
- to review the spectrum use and spectrum needs of existing services in the frequency band 470-960 MHz in Region 1 and consider possible regulatory actions in the frequency band 470-694 MHz in Region 1 on the basis of the review, in accordance with Resolution 235 (WRC-15);
- 1.6 to consider, in accordance with Resolution **772 (WRC-19)**, regulatory provisions to facilitate radiocommunications for sub-orbital vehicles;
- 1.7 to consider a new aeronautical mobile-satellite (R) service allocation in accordance with Resolution 428 (WRC-19) for both the Earth-to-space and space-to-Earth directions of aeronautical VHF communications in all or part of the frequency band 117.975-137 MHz, while preventing any undue constraints on existing VHF systems operating in the aeronautical mobile (R) service, in the aeronautical radionavigation service, and in adjacent frequency bands;
- 1.8 to consider, on the basis of ITU-R studies in accordance with Resolution 171 (WRC-19), appropriate regulatory actions, with a view to reviewing and, if necessary, revising Resolution 155 (Rev.WRC-19) and No. 5.484B to accommodate the use of fixed-satellite service networks by control and non-payload communications of unmanned aircraft systems;
- to review Appendix **27** of the Radio Regulations and consider appropriate regulatory actions and updates based on ITU-R studies, in order to accommodate digital technologies for commercial aviation safety-of-life applications in existing HF bands allocated to the aeronautical mobile (R) service and ensure coexistence of current HF systems alongside modernized HF systems, in accordance with Resolution **429** (WRC-19);
- 1.10 to conduct studies on spectrum needs, coexistence with radiocommunication services and regulatory measures for possible new allocations for the aeronautical mobile service for the use of non-safety aeronautical mobile applications, in accordance with Resolution 430 (WRC-19);
- 1.11 to consider possible regulatory actions to support the modernization of the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) and the implementation of e-navigation, in accordance with Resolution **361** (Rev.WRC-19);
- 1.12 to conduct, and complete in time for WRC-23, studies for a possible new secondary allocation to the Earth exploration-satellite service (active) for spaceborne radar sounders within the range of frequencies around 45 MHz, taking into account the protection of incumbent services, including in adjacent bands, in accordance with Resolution 656 (Rev.WRC-19);

- to consider a possible upgrade of the allocation of the frequency band 14.8-15.35 GHz to the space research service, in accordance with Resolution 661 (WRC-19);
- 1.14 to review and consider possible adjustments of the existing frequency allocations or possible new primary frequency allocations to the Earth exploration-satellite service (passive) in the frequency range 231.5-252 GHz, to ensure alignment with more up-to-date remote-sensing observation requirements, in accordance with Resolution 662 (WRC-19);
- 1.15 to harmonize the use of the frequency band 12.75-13.25 GHz (Earth-to-space) by earth stations on aircraft and vessels communicating with geostationary space stations in the fixed-satellite service globally, in accordance with Resolution 172 (WRC-19);
- to study and develop technical, operational and regulatory measures, as appropriate, to facilitate the use of the frequency bands 17.7-18.6 GHz, 18.8-19.3 GHz and 19.7-20.2 GHz (space-to-Earth) and 27.5-29.1 GHz and 29.5-30 GHz (Earth-to-space) by non-geostationary fixed-satellite service earth stations in motion, while ensuring due protection of existing services in those frequency bands, in accordance with Resolution 173 (WRC-19);
- 1.17 to determine and carry out, on the basis of ITU-R studies in accordance with Resolution **773 (WRC-19)**, the appropriate regulatory actions for the provision of inter-satellite links in specific frequency bands, or portions thereof, by adding an inter-satellite service allocation where appropriate;
- 1.18 to consider studies relating to spectrum needs and potential new allocations to the mobile-satellite service for future development of narrowband mobile-satellite systems, in accordance with Resolution 248 (WRC-19);
- 1.19 to consider a new primary allocation to the fixed-satellite service in the space-to-Earth direction in the frequency band 17.3-17.7 GHz in Region 2, while protecting existing primary services in the band, in accordance with Resolution 174 (WRC-19);
- to examine the revised ITU-R Recommendations incorporated by reference in the Radio Regulations communicated by the Radiocommunication Assembly, in accordance with *further resolves* of Resolution **27 (Rev.WRC-19)**, and to decide whether or not to update the corresponding references in the Radio Regulations, in accordance with the principles contained in *resolves* of that Resolution;
- 3 to consider such consequential changes and amendments to the Radio Regulations as may be necessitated by the decisions of the conference;
- 4 in accordance with Resolution **95** (**Rev.WRC-19**), to review the Resolutions and Recommendations of previous conferences with a view to their possible revision, replacement or abrogation;
- to review, and take appropriate action on, the Report from the Radiocommunication Assembly submitted in accordance with Nos. 135 and 136 of the ITU Convention;
- to identify those items requiring urgent action by the radiocommunication study groups in preparation for the next world radiocommunication conference;

- to consider possible changes, in response to Resolution 86 (Rev. Marrakesh, 2002) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on advance publication, coordination, notification and recording procedures for frequency assignments pertaining to satellite networks, in accordance with Resolution 86 (Rev.WRC-07), in order to facilitate the rational, efficient and economical use of radio frequencies and any associated orbits, including the geostationary-satellite orbit;
- to consider and take appropriate action on requests from administrations to delete their country footnotes or to have their country name deleted from footnotes, if no longer required, taking into account Resolution 26 (Rev.WRC-19);
- 9 to consider and approve the Report of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau, in accordance with Article 7 of the ITU Convention;
- 9.1 on the activities of the ITU Radiocommunication Sector since WRC-19:
- In accordance with Resolution 657 (Rev.WRC-19), review the results of studies relating to the
 technical and operational characteristics, spectrum requirements and appropriate radio service
 designations for space weather sensors with a view to describing appropriate recognition and
 protection in the Radio Regulations without placing additional constraints on incumbent
 services;
- Review the amateur service and the amateur-satellite service allocations in the frequency band 1 240-1 300 MHz to determine if additional measures are required to ensure protection of the radionavigation-satellite service (space-to-Earth) operating in the same band in accordance with Resolution 774 (WRC-19);
- Study the use of International Mobile Telecommunication systems for fixed wireless broadband in the frequency bands allocated to the fixed service on a primary basis, in accordance with Resolution 175 (WRC-19);
- 9.2 on any difficulties or inconsistencies encountered in the application of the Radio Regulations¹; and
- 9.3 on action in response to Resolution 80 (Rev.WRC-07);
- to recommend to the ITU Council items for inclusion in the agenda for the next world radiocommunication conference, and items for the preliminary agenda of future conferences, in accordance with Article 7 of the ITU Convention and Resolution **804 (Rev.WRC-19)**.

Ref.: Documents <u>C20/69</u>, <u>VC/16</u> and <u>DM-20/1011</u>.

This agenda sub-item is strictly limited to the Report of the Director on any difficulties or inconsistencies encountered in the application of the Radio Regulations and the comments from administrations. Administrations are invited to inform the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau of any difficulties or inconsistencies encountered in the Radio Regulations.

DECISION 609 (C19)

Convening of the next World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-21)

The Council,

noting

that WTDC-21 is scheduled to be held in the last quarter of 2021 in accordance with Resolution 77 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) (Scheduling and Duration of future conferences, forums, assemblies and Council sessions of the Union (2019-2023)),

decides

that, subject to the concurrence of the majority of the Member States of the Union, the next World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-21) will take place in Addis Ababa, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, from 8 to 19 November 2021,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to carry out a consultation with all Member States on the exact dates and precise place of WTDC-21;
- to undertake a site visit and report to the 2020 session of the Council.

Ref.: Documents <u>C19/126</u> and <u>C19/115</u>.

DECISION 623 (C21)

Place and dates of the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-23) and Radiocommunication Assembly (RA-23)

The ITU Council,

noting

that Resolution 811 of the World Radiocommunication Conference (Sharm el Sheikh, 2019):

- a) resolved to recommend to the Council that a world radiocommunication conference be held in 2023 for a maximum period of four weeks;
- b) recommended its agenda, and invited the Council to finalize the agenda and arrange for the convening of the 2023 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-23) and to initiate as soon as possible the necessary consultation with the Member States,

noting further

Council Resolution 1399, which received the agreement of the required majority of the Member States of ITU, established the agenda of the WRC-23,

decides

that, subject to the concurrence of the majority of the Member States of the Union, the next World Radiocommunication Conference will take place either in Abu Dhabi or Dubai, UAE from 20 November to 15 December 2023, preceded by the 2023 Radiocommunication Assembly (RA-23) from 13-17 November 2023,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to carry out a consultation with all Member States on the exact dates and place of RA-23 and WRC-23;
- 2 to make all the necessary arrangements, in agreement with the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau, for the convening of the Conference.

Ref.: Documents C21/55 and C21/86 and DM-21/1017.

DECISION 629 (C23)

Convening of the 2024 world telecommunication standardization assembly

The ITU Council,

noting

that the 2024 world telecommunication standardization assembly (WTSA-24) is scheduled to be held in India the last quarter of 2024 in accordance with Resolution 77 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on scheduling and duration of conferences, forums, assemblies and Council sessions of the Union (2023-2027),

decides

that, subject to the concurrence of a majority of the Member States of the Union, WTSA-24 shall take place in the International Exhibition cum Convention Centre, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, India, from 15 to 24 October 2024,

instructs the Secretary-General

to carry out a consultation with all Member States on the precise place and exact dates of WTSA-24.

Ref.: Documents <u>C23/24</u>, <u>C23/106</u> and <u>C23/123</u>.

4 GENERAL SECRETARIAT

RESOLUTION 1110 (C-1997)

Role of the ITU in the GMPCS-MoU

The Council,

having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the Memorandum of Understanding concerning Global Mobile Personal Communications by Satellite presented in Document C97/68 and the proposal from the United States of America presented in Document C97/97,

having further considered the decisions taken at the 1997 session with respect to cost recovery for ITU products and services,

noting that the ITU Member States and Sector Members provided voluntary financial contributions to support the first World Telecommunication Policy Forum in October 1996,

further noting that the funds remaining from these voluntary contributions are now supporting the work of the GMPCS-MoU Group, and that voluntary contributions are being sought to support the implementation of WTPF Opinion No. 5,

resolves

- that the ITU Secretariat shall continue to provide support to the GMPCS-MoU activities on the basis of full cost recovery recognizing that this is an acceptable role for the ITU Secretariat;
- that the ITU Secretariat shall provide an accounting of the use to date of voluntary financial contributions to the first WTPF;
- that the funds remaining from these voluntary contributions shall be used to support follow-up activities to the first policy forum-related activities for the next year;
- 4 that if additional funds are needed to support these activities, the Signatories to the GMPCS-MoU, as well as other interested parties, shall be requested by the ITU Secretariat to provide additional financial support to continue their work and to support the role of the ITU Secretariat in these activities.

Ref.: Documents C97/130 and C97/138.

RESOLUTION 1116 (C-1998)

Implementation of the GMPCS-MoU arrangements

The Council,

considering the conclusions of the first World Telecommunication Policy Forum on Global Mobile Personal Communications by Satellite (GMPCS), held in October 1996, and the related Memorandum of Understanding and Arrangements developed since then,

noting that the above Arrangements have been developed by a provisional group of Signatories of the Memorandum of Understanding and that that group remains acting as the "GMPCS-MoU Group",

recalling Resolution 1110 adopted by the Council at its 1997 session, which resolved, inter alia, that the ITU secretariat should continue to provide support to the GMPCS-MoU activities on the basis of full cost recovery, recognizing that this was an acceptable role of the ITU secretariat,

considering further

- a) that the role of ITU as depositary of the GMPCS-MoU and its Arrangements is identified as part of the goals, and is consistent with the vision for ITU, contained in the draft Strategic Plan 1999-2003;
- b) that this role, while it will benefit the GMPCS industry and users worldwide, will also contribute to the relevance of the Union to the future of global telecommunications,

taking account of Recommendation 8 adopted by the World Telecommunication Development Conference (Valletta, 1998) entitled *Timely Implementation of GMPCS*, which notes the need for global implementation of the Arrangements so that the benefits of GMPCS services can be extended to all countries in a timely fashion,

resolves

- 1 to instruct the Secretary-General:
- 1.1 to act as depositary of the GMPCS-MoU and its Arrangements and to make available the information supplied by the Signatories implementing the Arrangements;
- 1.2 to act as the registry for type-approval procedures that administrations and/or competent authorities have notified to ITU as having been used to approve terminals;
- to act as the registry of terminal types once administrations and/or competent authorities have notified to ITU that terminals have been granted type approval;
- 1.4 to authorize the use¹ of the abbreviation "ITU" as part of the GMPCS-MoU mark on the understanding that ITU shall be protected against liability from such use;

¹ The conditions of this use will be reviewed in the light of the results of Resolution 1117.

that action under *resolves* 1.1 to 1.4 above shall be carried out in accordance with the Arrangements on the basis of full cost recovery, the details relating to the use of contributions by the Signatories being defined in consultation between them and the Secretary-General.

Ref.: Documents <u>C98/100</u> and <u>C98/120</u>.

RESOLUTION 1403 (C21)

Four-year rolling Operational Plan for the Union for 2022-2025

The ITU Council,

recognizing

the provisions of Articles 5, 11A, 12, 14A, 15 and 18 of the ITU Convention,

recalling

Resolution 71 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on the Strategic Plan for the Union 2020-2023 and Resolution 151 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on the implementation of Results-based management,

further recalling

Decision 5 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on the Financial Plan for the Union 2020-2023 that sets the limits of expenditure within which the budgets 2020-2021 and 2022-2023 as well as the operational plans shall be established,

having considered

the draft four-year rolling Operational Plan for the Union for 2022-2025 (Document C21/28),

having also considered

the need for the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux to have some flexibility in the implementation of the corresponding elements of the four-year rolling Operational Plan so as to take into consideration any changes that may occur during the interval between two Council sessions,

resolves

- to approve the four-year rolling Operational Plan for the Union for 2022-2025; and
- to allow the Secretary-General and the Directors the necessary flexibility in the implementation of the corresponding elements of the four-year rolling Operational Plan for 2022-2025.

Ref.: Documents <u>C21/28</u>, <u>C21/DT/2</u>, <u>C21/85</u> and <u>DM-21/1017</u>.

RESOLUTION 1407 (C22)

Operational plan for the Union for 2023

The ITU Council,

recognizing
the provisions of Articles 5, 11A, 12, 14A, 15 and 18 of the ITU Convention,
recalling
Resolution 71 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on the strategic plan for the Union for 2020-2023 and Resolution 151 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on the implementation of results-based management,
having considered
the operational plan for the Union for 2023 (Document C22/28),
having also considered
the need for the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux to have some flexibility in the implementation of the corresponding elements of the operational plan so as to take into consideration any changes that may occur during the interval between two Council sessions,
resolves
1 to approve the operational plan for the Union for 2023; and
to allow the Secretary-General and the Directors the necessary flexibility in the implementation of the corresponding elements of the operational plan for the Union for 2023.
Ref.: Documents <u>C22/28</u> , <u>C22/85</u> and <u>C22/94</u> .

RESOLUTION 1415 (C23)

Operational plan for the Union for 2024-2027

The ITU Council,
recognizing
the provisions of Articles 5, 11A, 12, 14A, 15 and 18 of the ITU Convention,
recalling
Resolution 71 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022), on the strategic plan for the Union for 2024-2027 and Resolution 151 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022), on the implementation of results-based management,
having considered
the operational plan for the Union for 2024-2027 (Document C23/28),
having also considered
the need for the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux to have some flexibility in the implementation of the corresponding elements of the operational plan to take into consideration any changes that may occur during the interval between two council sessions,
resolves
to approve the operational plan for the Union for 2024-2027; and
to allow the Secretary-General and the Directors the necessary flexibility in the implementation of the corresponding elements of the operational plan for the Union for 2024-2027.
Ref.: Documents <u>C23/28</u> , <u>C23/105</u> and <u>C23/113</u> .

5 SECTORS

5.1 General

RESOLUTION 1115 (C-1997)

International Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Legal Interception of Telecommunications

The Council,

noting

- a) that many Member countries of the ITU permit their law enforcement and national security agencies, under controlled conditions, to intercept telecommunications services;
- b) that the law enforcement and national security agencies of a significant number of ITU member countries have agreed on a generic set of requirements for legal interception (the International Requirements for Interception, IUR);
- c) that the costs of legal interception capability and associated disruptions can be lessened by providing for the capability at the design stage; and
- d) that such reduction of costs and disruptions could lead to more efficient provision and development of telecommunications infrastructure,

considering

- a) that the provision of a technical capability for interception in relevant standards would not intrude on the sovereign right of countries to decide whether and under what conditions they will permit legal interception; and
- b) that the consideration of requirements for legal interception could fall within the responsibility of both the ITU-R and the ITU-T,

further noting

that some countries are in urgent need of results in this area,

requests the ITU-R and the ITU-T

to give priority to questions on the subject which administrations request them to study.¹

Ref.: Documents C97/135 and C97/138.

¹ It is understood that all ITU-T and ITU-R studies will be based on contributions by administrations.

5.2 Radiocommunication (ITU-R)

RESOLUTION 1148 (C-1999)

Status of the members of the Radio Regulations Board

The Council,

considering

- a) the provisions of Articles 8 (No. 56), 9 (No. 63), 12 (No. 82) and 14 (Nos. 93 to 101) of the Constitution (Geneva, 1992) and those of Articles 2 (Nos. 20 to 22) and 10 (Nos. 139 to 147) of the Convention (Geneva, 1992), as amended by the Kyoto (1994) and Minneapolis (1998) Plenipotentiary Conferences;
- b) that the members of the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) are elected by the Plenipotentiary Conference as custodians of an international mandate;
- c) that they can therefore not be considered as "experts" within the meaning of No. 1001 of the Convention;
- d) that the Headquarters Agreement does not establish a special status for RRB members;
- e) that RRB members are bound by the Convention to participate in radiocommunication conferences, radiocommunication assemblies and, in the case of the chairperson and vice-chairperson of RRB, in the Plenipotentiary Conference, whether these conferences and assemblies are held at or away from headquarters;
- f) that the Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998) decided that the Council should consider the appropriate means to provide RRB members with the rights and immunities necessary to carry out their duties, on the basis of a report by the Secretary-General following consultation of the host country (Document PP-98/271),

having examined the report drawn up by the Secretary-General (Document C99/61) in response to the decision by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998),

having taken cognizance of the memorandum by the Radio Regulations Board (Document C99/66) transmitted to it by the Secretary-General,

resolves to instruct the Secretary-General

- to continue to apply, in respect of RRB members, Article 17 of the Agreement between the Swiss Federal Council and the Union concerning the organization's legal status in Switzerland and to identify, in cooperation with the Swiss authorities, ways and means of improving the situation of RRB members in order to facilitate the exercise of their duties;
- to provide RRB members with an ITU document attesting to their status as elected members of RRB and setting forth those provisions of the headquarters agreement that apply to them;
- to see to it that the agreements concluded between the Union and the host countries of conferences or meetings in which the members, chairperson and vice-chairperson of RRB have a duty to participate (No. 141 of the Convention) contain provisions granting RRB members the privileges and immunities necessary for the exercise of their duties at the said conferences or meetings;
- 4 to report to the Council on the measures taken,

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requests the competent authorities of the countries of which elected RRB members are nationals to offer facilities, in particular with regard to the type of travel documents they issue, enabling RRB members to travel without hindrance in the exercise of their duties for the Union,

instructs the Director of BR to provide the linguistic, computer and other facilities that are necessary in order for RRB to perform its functions.

Ref.: Documents <u>C99/127</u> and <u>C99/134</u> .
RESOLUTION 1403 (C21)
Four-year rolling Operational Plan for the Union for 2022-2025
(<u>see section 4</u>).

RESOLUTION 1407 (C22)
Operational plan for the Union for 2023
(<u>see section 4</u>).
RESOLUTION 1415 (C23)
Operational plan for the Union for 2024-2027
(see section 4).

DECISION 535 (C05, last amended C14)

Cost-allocation methodology

The Council,

considering

the new cost-allocation methodology that has been elaborated in view of the linkage between the ITU Financial Plan and the ITU Strategic Plan for the period 2016-2019,

decides

to adopt the cost-allocation methodology described in annex hereto, and that it will enter into force on 1 January 2016.

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ANNEX

New cost-allocation methodology

The cost allocation methodology consists in a 4-step process to allocate the costs from the organizational units to the Goals of the Union. The whole process is summarized in the diagram provided in Appendix.

As a preliminary phase of the cost-allocation methodology, direct costs, which include planned expenses and documentation costs (translation, typing and reprography), are directly assigned to the Outputs, Bureaux and Departments for which they were planned.

Step 1

The costs of the General Secretariat centralized services are distributed to the three Bureaux (BR, TSB, BDT) and the Intersectoral activities through a cost-allocation driver.

The General Secretariat centralized services include:

- Centralized support services, such as building facilities, Conference support services, IS support to meetings and conferences;
- Centralized administrative services, such as Financial and Human resources management, Legal Affairs.

Step 2

The costs of the three Bureaux and Intersectoral activities are reallocated to the Outputs based on a Time survey.

The costs of the Bureaux and Intersectoral activities include: their respective planned costs, documentation costs, and the costs received from the reallocation of the General Secretariat centralized services.

Step 3

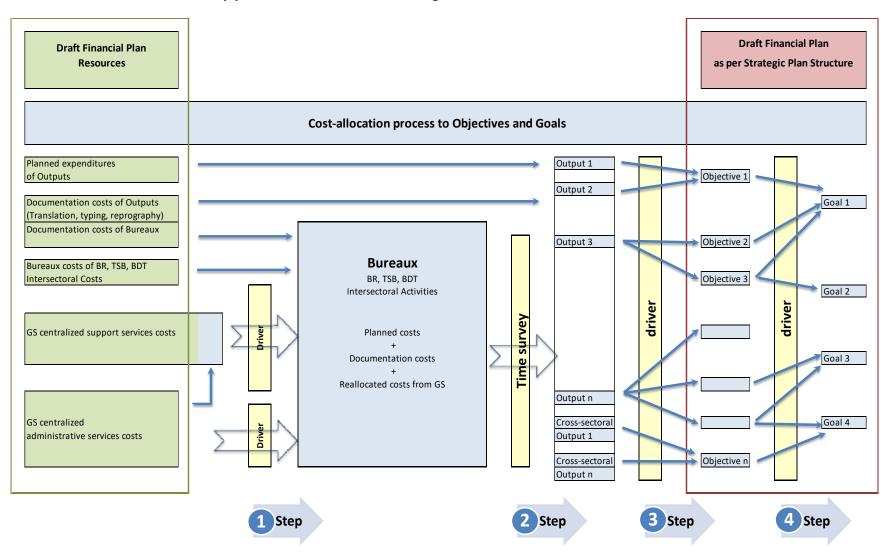
The costs of the Outputs are distributed to the Strategic Objectives of the ITU Strategic Plan based on a cost-allocation driver.

The costs of the Outputs include: their respective planned costs, documentation costs, and the costs received from the three Bureaux and Intersectoral activities.

Step 4

The costs of the Strategic Objectives are reallocated to the Goals of the Union as described in the ITU Strategic Plan based on a cost-allocation driver.

4-step process to allocate costs from organizational units to the Goals of the Union



Ref.: Documents C05/111 and C05/116; C11/104 and C11/120; C14/99 and C14/102.

5.3 Telecommunication Standardization (ITU-T)

RESOLUTION 1155 (C-2000)

Implementation of cost recovery for the UIPRN and UISCN registrar functions

The Council,

having considered Resolution 91 (Minneapolis, 1998) on cost recovery for some ITU products and services, and decides 1.3 of Decision 5, (Minneapolis, 1998) on expenditure of the Union for the period 2000 to 2003,

resolves

- to authorize implementation of the registrar function for ITU for universal international premium rate numbers and universal international shared cost numbers as from 3 January 2001, subject to approval of ITU-T Recommendations E.169.2 and E.169.3 by the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly;
- to set the registration fee on a provisional basis at CHF 200 per number issued;
- 3 to increase the 2000-2001 budget by CHF 139 000, covered by corresponding cost-recovery income.

instructs the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the UIPRN and UISCN services in the Financial Operating Report to the 2002 session of the Council.

Ref.: Documents C2000/73 and C2000/96.

RESOLUTION 1168 (C01)

Implementation of cost recovery for the AESAs Registrar Functions

The Council,

having considered

Resolution 91 (Minneapolis, 1998) on cost recovery for some ITU products and services, and *decides* 1.3 of Decision 5 (Minneapolis, 1998) on expenditure of the Union for the period 2000 to 2003,

resolves

to authorize ITU to implement the registrar function for the ATM End System Addresses (AESAs) as from 1st September 2001, as per ITU-T Recommendations E.191.1 and to set the registration fee at CHF 100 per number issued;

2 to increase the 2002-2003 Budget by CHF 60170 covered by corresponding cost recovery income,
further resolves
to authorize the Secretary-General between Council sessions to implement future similar registrar functions arising from ITU-T Recommendations on the basis of full cost recovery subject to final approval by the subsequent Council.
Ref.: Documents <u>C2001/96</u> and <u>C2001/129</u> .
RESOLUTION 1403 (C21)
Four-year rolling Operational Plan for the Union for 2022-2025
(see section 4).
RESOLUTION 1407 (C22)
Operational plan for the Union for 2023
(see section 4).
RESOLUTION 1415 (C23)
Operational plan for the Union for 2024-2027
(see section 4).

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DECISION 600 (C17)

UIFN Registration

The Council,

having considered

the report submitted by the Secretary-General on improving the stability and predictability of the financial base of the Union (Document C17/67), and the proposals to increase revenue from INRs (Document C17/43),

decides

to continue collecting fees for Universal International Freephone Number (UIFN) Registration which started from 1 July 1996 as funds paid for services and to cover the costs for maintaining the registrar,

further decides

to establish the registration fee at 300 Swiss francs per number issued, and for non ITU-T and ITU-R Sector Members implement an annual maintenance fee at 100 Swiss francs per number,

instructs the secretary-General

- to implement this Decision starting from 1 January 2018;
- to submit the position of the UIFN in the Financial Operating Report to the annual session of the Council.

Ref.: Documents <u>C17/133</u> and <u>C17/140</u>.

DECISION 601 (C17)

IIN Registration

The Council,

having considered

the report submitted by the Secretary-General on improving the stability and predictability of the financial base of the Union (Document C17/67), and the proposals to increase revenue from INRs (Document C17/43),



decides

to continue collecting fees for Issuer Identifier Number (IIN) Registration which started from 1993 as funds paid for services and to cover the costs for maintaining the registrar,

further decides

to establish the registration fee at 150 Swiss francs per number issued, and for non ITU-T and ITU-R Sector Members implement an annual maintenance fee at 100 Swiss francs per number,

instructs the secretary-General

- to implement this Decision starting from 1 January 2018.
- to submit the position of the IIN in the Financial Operating Report to the annual session of the Council.

Ref.: Documents C17/134 and C17/140.

5.4 Telecommunication Development (ITU-D)

RESOLUTION 1114 (C-1997)

Regional presence

The Council.

considering

- a) Resolution 25 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994);
- b) the report by the Group of Experts on the Evaluation of the ITU Regional Presence, submitted to the Council at its 1996 session in Document C96/60;
- c) the recommendations on regional presence adopted by the Council in 1996;
- d) Document C97/9 on proposals for implementing the recommendations referred to in c) above, reaffirming
- a) the importance of the regional presence to the accomplishment of ITU's development missions;
- b) the need to adapt the organization and activities of the regional presence to the requirements of each region;
- c) the need to strengthen the regional presence by enhancing its usefulness and effectiveness in all the regions of the world, particularly by broadening the range of its activities, where appropriate, to encompass all the activities undertaken by ITU,

taking into account

- a) the limited resources currently available to the BDT to satisfy regional presence requirements effectively;
- b) the prospects offered by the budgetary reforms that are currently under way, particularly with regard to use of Telecom surplus funds, the "project management" approach and cost recovery,

recognizing the need to optimize the use of available resources to satisfy urgent requirements, *resolves* to organize the regional presence as follows:

A. For Africa

- a regional office for West Africa and Central Africa in Dakar (Senegal);
- a regional office for East Africa and Southern Africa in Harare (Zimbabwe) or Addis Ababa (Ethiopia);
- an area office for West and Central Africa, the activities of which are to be reconsidered, at Yaoundé (Cameroon);
- an area office for East and Southern Africa, the activities of which are to be reconsidered.

B. For the Asia-Pacific region

- a regional office in Bangkok (Thailand);
- an area office, the activities of which are to be reconsidered, in Nepal;
- an area office, the activities of which are to be reconsidered, in Indonesia.

C. For the Americas

- a regional office in Brasilia (Brazil);
- an area office in Tegucigalpa (Honduras);
- an area office, the activities of which are to be reconsidered, in Bridgetown (Barbados);
- an area office, the activities of which are to be reconsidered, in Santiago (Chile).

D. For the Arab region

A regional office in Cairo (Egypt).

E. For Europe

• The Regional Unit for Europe in Geneva (Switzerland) will continue to act as a regional office,

instructs the Director of the BDT, in collaboration with the Secretary-General and the Directors of the other two Bureaux, and with the assistance of the Group of Experts on the Evaluation of the ITU Regional Presence

- to take the necessary measures in order to implement the above decisions, in conformity with Resolution 25 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994), Resolution 1096 of the 1996 Council concerning field posts, and the recommendations of the Group of Experts;
- to seek new sources of financing and make use of those that already exist with the aim of increasing, on a continual basis, the resources available for the regional presence;
- to reactivate as soon as possible those offices whose operations have been frozen to strengthen existing offices on the basis of the staffing criteria set out in Document C97/9, and to propose the establishment, if necessary, of other area offices, subject to the availability of financial resources;
- 4 to investigate the possible arrangements for, and impact of, expanding the role of the regional presence to serve the needs of countries wishing to benefit from the full range of the Union's activities;
- to use modern telecommunication techniques to enhance the circulation of information and further improve the management of the regional presence;
- to submit to the Council at its 1998 session proposals for presentation to the 1998 Plenipotentiary Conference in Minneapolis (1998).

Ref.: Documents C97/134 and C97/138.

RESOLUTION 1143 (C-1999)

Strengthening the regional presence

The Council,

considering

- a) Resolution 25 (Minneapolis, 1998) of the Plenipotentiary Conference;
- b) Resolution 71 (Minneapolis, 1998) of the Plenipotentiary Conference;
- c) Resolution 5 of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (Valletta, 1998);
- d) Council Resolution 1114 (Geneva, 1997),
 recalling Resolution 25 (Kyoto, 1994) of the Plenipotentiary Conference,
 reaffirming
- a) the importance of regional presence for achieving the purposes of the International Telecommunication Union;
- b) that the regional presence is a structural option for pursuing the purposes of the Union in the field in order to meet the needs of the membership;
- c) that if it is to play a pre-eminent role in the development of telecommunication networks and services worldwide, ITU must meet the needs of its membership,

emphasizing that the regional presence, as an integral part of the Union's overall activities, should reflect a "project management" approach based on operational processes that are coordinated between headquarters and the regional offices,

noting with satisfaction that steps have been taken to implement Resolution 25 (Minneapolis, 1998) as indicated in Document C99/14,

noting further that it is important for the regional offices to draw up their draft operational plans within the framework of the BDT operational plan, the guidelines as laid down in the strategic plan and the specific conditions of each region,

aware

- a) that Resolution 74 (Minneapolis, 1998) calls for the review and improvement of the management, functioning and structure of ITU and that this review will encompass the regional presence;
- b) that it is important to address the immediate needs of Member States and Sector Members,

resolves

- that the role of the regional presence is to help fulfil the purposes of the Union in order to meet the needs of its membership through work in the field with telecommunication administrations and regulatory bodies, in particular those in the developing countries, including through collaboration with national, subregional and regional institutions, organizations and other entities;
- that the regional presence, as an integral part of ITU, should support implementation of the decisions, recommendations, actions, programmes and projects approved by the Union through direct and ongoing collaboration with competent national authorities and regional and subregional organizations;

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- that the regional presence shall serve, as necessary, to represent the Secretary-General or the Bureau Director of one of the three Sectors;
- that the functions of the regional presence stemming from ITU's dual role as a United Nations specialized agency and executing agency must be clarified, and that the activities described in Resolution 71 (Minneapolis, 1998) must be made clear and implemented e.g. by assigning to the regional presence the generic activities listed in Annex A to this Resolution;
- 5 that the regional presence, acting within the framework of the relevant international organizations, should serve as an advocate for the ITU's perspectives on telecommunication development;
- that the involvement and participation of the developing countries and Sector Members in the regional presence and in all the activities of the Union, including the activities of ITU-R and ITU-T, should be enhanced,

instructs the Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau, in close collaboration with the Secretary-General and the Directors of BR and TSB:

- 1 to establish closer contacts with Member States, Sector Members and various telecommunication operators from each region in order to gain a clearer understanding and take account of what they expect from the regional presence;
- to set quantified objectives for the implementation of the operational plan, setting out specific constraints in terms of quality, allocated resources and/or time-frames, in consultation with TDAG;
- 3 to determine appropriate performance measurement systems for monitoring the activities referred to in *resolves* 4 (adapting them to the specific characteristics of the regional context), as well as those relating to the various programmes which come under the regional presence;
- 4 to prepare a report to the 2000 session of the Council on the extent to which the above objectives have been met and on planned objectives for 2001;
- to implement gradually the decisions taken by the Council in its Resolution 1114 (Geneva, 1997);
- to draw up and submit to TDAG, for opinion, an action plan to give effect to the instructions handed down under *instructs the Director of BDT* in Resolution 25 (Minneapolis, 1998) within the time-frame stipulated therein;
- to report annually on the progress made in implementing the operational plan drawn up with each regional office, on the basis of quantified and measurable objectives;
- 8 to make the necessary adjustments to BDT's structure, both at headquarters and in the field, in order to balance the strengthening of regional resources (including through the transfer of resources from headquarters to the regional offices) with improved competence in the areas of backstopping, monitoring and coordination at headquarters;

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9 to define and improve, both at headquarters and in the field, the operational processes pertaining to the regional presence, in order to ensure more effective utilization of resources and avoid duplication,

instructs the Secretary-General and the Directors of BDT, BR and TSB to proceed with the appropriate delegations, bearing in mind the specific circumstances and priorities in each region, with a view to enhancing the effectiveness of the regional presence,

instructs the Directors of BR and TSB to prepare for the 2000 session and subsequent sessions of the Council a report on the involvement and effective participation of members in the regions in the activities of their respective Sectors and on the measures taken to strengthen that involvement and participation,

further instructs the Secretary-General to report back to the 2000 session and subsequent sessions of the Council pursuant to Resolution 25 (Minneapolis, 1998).

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ANNEX A

(to Resolution 1143)

Generic activities expected of the regional presence

- a) Coordinate or carry out any regional task not listed below and falling within the context of Annex 1 to Resolution 71 (Minneapolis, 1998).
- b) Inform policy-makers, regulatory bodies and telecommunication operators about world trends in telecommunication policy and management (e.g. organization of the regulatory framework and regulation of the telecommunication market, GMPCS, trade in services, electronic commerce, IMT-2000, impact of IP protocols, GATS, general management, etc.).
- c) Help telecommunication operators develop a better understanding of the administrative regulations (Radio Regulations, International Telecommunication Regulations).
- d) Sensitize policy-makers, regulatory bodies, appropriate institutions and organizations and telecommunication operators on issues related to the management of critical resources (e.g. radio-frequency spectrum, numbering plan, etc.).
- e) In collaboration with the Sectors concerned, provide policy-makers regulatory bodies, appropriate institutions and organizations and telecommunication operators with regular information on the foreseeable evolution of telecommunication services and their possible repercussions.
- f) Promote more widespread use of new technical standards in appropriate institutions and organizations that may have an effect on telecommunication network development (e.g. ATM, IP, IMT-2000, etc.).

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- g) Draft and regularly update standard general specifications to serve as a guide for developing countries in their procurement process, without however jeopardizing the interests of consultancy and engineering firms.
- h) Support telecommunication operators in the planning and the technical and commercial development of telecommunication networks and services, *inter alia*, by promoting technology transfer and promoting progressive industrialization; inform financial institutions with a view to their providing the necessary support for telecommunication projects which have social benefits.
- i) Support the efforts of regulatory bodies, appropriate institutions and organizations and telecommunication operators in introducing accounting and tariff systems for telecommunication services (e.g. separating accounts, cost allocation, universal service, etc.).
- j) Promote operating and maintenance standards for new telecommunication networks (e.g. IP, ATM, etc.) among telecommunication operators and appropriate institutions and organizations.
- k) Prepare the best possible statistics on the evolution of telecommunication networks and services in the relevant region for submission to policy-makers, regulatory bodies and telecommunication operators.
- l) Inform policy-makers, regulatory bodies, appropriate institutions and organizations and telecommunication operators of the regulatory aspects of the provision of services based on new technologies.
- m) Act locally as executing agency and resource mobilizer for regional and local projects.
- n) Coordinate or carry out any regional task not listed above falling within the ITU-D operational plans.
- o) Participate in preparatory work for ITU conferences and assemblies, taking account of the specific needs of each region.

Ref.: Documents <u>C99/118</u> and <u>C99/133</u>.

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RESOLUTION 1183 (C01)

ITU Regional Presence

The Council,

having examined

Recommendation R38 of the Working Group on Reform concerning ITU regional presence,

resolves to instruct the Coordination Committee

to examine the functions of the regional offices, and the financial and human resources available to them, having regard inter alia to the following objectives:

- *a)* identifying functions that could be decentralized in order to expand and strengthen the regional offices;
- b) ensuring that regional meetings are organized in the different regions by the relevant Sectors, and especially the Development Sector;
- c) providing the regional offices with increased autonomy in terms of their ability to disseminate information, provide expert advice and host meetings, workshops or seminars;
- d) identifying functions relating to implementation of the budgets of the regional offices that may be delegated to them;
- e) ensuring that the regional offices participate more in the preparation of their budgets;
- f) ensuring that the regions participate effectively in discussions on the future of the Union and strategic issues concerning the telecommunication sector,

resolves to instruct the Secretary-General

to submit to the Council, at its 2002 session, an action plan setting out the measures to be taken in order to achieve the objectives set under decides a), b), c), d), e) and f) above.

Ref.: Documents <u>C2001/119</u> and <u>C2001/132</u>.

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RESOLUTION 1403 (C21)

Four-year rolling Operational Plan for the Union for 2022-2025

(see sect	<u>ion 4</u>).
	RESOLUTION 1407 (C22)
	Operational plan for the Union for 2023
(see sect	<u>ion 4</u>).
	RESOLUTION 1415 (C23)
	Operational plan for the Union for 2024-2027
(see sect	<u>ion 4</u>).
	DECISION 616 (C19)
	Regional presence
The Cour	ncil,
	considering
a)	Resolution 25 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Rev. Dubai, 2018);
	the reports by the External Auditors, Internal Auditors, and the Independent Management Committee on the Fraud Case in the Regional Office submitted to the 2019 session;

Document C19/25 (Rev.2) report on the implementation of Resolution 25 (Rev. Dubai, 2018)

(Strengthening the regional presence),

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reaffirming

- a) the importance of the regional presence to the accomplishment of ITU's development mission;
- b) the need to strengthen the regional presence by enhancing its usefulness and effectiveness of the regional offices to encompass all activities of the ITU,

decides to instruct the Secretary-General

to recruit and hire an independent external management consultancy to perform a comprehensive programmatic, strategic and financial assessment and review of ITU's Regional Presence program in accordance with the terms of reference set forth in the Annex, taking into consideration contributions from the ITU membership, and submit a report with recommendations to the 2021 session of the Council for action,

further decides

that the provision for payment of the independent external management consultancy shall not exceed CHF 500 000 and the expenses for hiring the consultancy shall be financed from the 2019 budget implementation surpluses,

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ANNEX

Terms of reference for an external consultant to review ITU's Regional Presence

1. Purpose

ITU intends to conduct a review of the organization's regional presence, in accordance to the requirements and provisions of Resolution 25 (Rev. Dubai, 2018).

From this perspective it is crucial to assess whether the organization and functioning of field offices is contributing substantively towards bringing ITU institutional activities closer to its membership.

The goal of this review is to develop and implement an action plan that will allow:

- a) to be able to measure the performance of a Regional Office (RO) under the new set of rules;
- b) to develop an effective Risk Management (ERM) process, including the risk assessment (RA) of the activities carried out at the RO level;

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- c) to develop instruments that facilitate effective coordination between Headquarters and ROs;
- d) to ensure that the ROs comply with the rules and procedures issued by Headquarters relating to financial management, projects and procurement;
- e) to ensure the proper implementation of all the recommendations of the Internal Auditor, the External Auditor and the ITU Independent Management Advisory Committee (IMAC), in particular those related to the lack of internal controls identified in the recent fraud case.

The review should take into consideration of the following elements:

- a) the extent of fulfilment of the provisions of Resolution 25 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) by the Telecommunication Development Bureau, the General Secretariat, and the other two Bureaux, as appropriate;
- b) all the recommendations of the External Auditor, the Internal Auditor and IMAC, providing advice on the need for substantially improved management oversight and internal control in the light of the weaknesses revealed by the recent fraud case in a regional office; and especially the need to establish a culture of transparency and collaboration leading to stronger individual management responsibility and effective accountability;
- c) how further decentralization could ensure greater efficiency at lower cost, taking into consideration accountability and transparency;
- d) the result of past surveys of the level of satisfaction of Member States, Sector Members, and regional telecommunication/ICT organizations with ITU's regional presence;
- e) assistance for developing countries to participate in ITU activities;
- f) the extent of possible duplication between the functions of ITU headquarters and the regional offices;
- g) the extent of fulfilment of the provisions of Resolution 17 (Rev. Buenos Aires, 2017) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference;
- h) the degree of autonomy in decision-making currently accorded to regional offices, and whether greater autonomy could enhance their efficiency and effectiveness;
- i) the effectiveness of collaboration and coordination between the ITU regional offices, regional telecommunication/ICT organizations and other regional and international development and financial organizations;
- j) how regional presence and the organization of activities in the regions can enhance the effective participation of all countries in ITU work;
- k) the resources currently made available to the regional offices for reducing the digital divide;
- I) the optimal overall structure of the ITU regional presence, including the location and number of regional and area offices.

2. Functional requirements

- 1. Analyse the purpose and role of ITU's regional presence in contributing to the implementation of the ITU Strategic Plan 2020-2023;
- 2. Analyse how "fit for purpose" is ITU's regional presence to implement WTDCs Plans of Action;
- 3. Pursuant to Resolution 25 (Rev. Dubai, 2018), analyse how the regional presence will implement the regional activities of the whole of the ITU, including BR, TSB and the General Secretariat;
- 4. Analyse the role of the Regional Offices/presence within the UN development system and the industry ecosystem, at a national and regional level;
- 5. Assist the ITU management team to (re)define the role, structure and objectives for ITU's regional presence;
- 6. Assist in improving the measurement of performance of the Regional Offices (as per the related recommendation of the External Auditor), by:
 - a. Defining specific and measurable Objectives for BDT HQ and ROs;
 - Establishing key effective controls and robust KPIs covering the entire range of activities carried out locally, from technical assistance to financial management, duty travel and nonstaff recruitment;
- 7. Identify measures to enhance the level of internal controls in Regional and Area Offices, in order to prevent other cases of fraud similar to the one detected, and ensure prompt implementation to the outstanding recommendations made by the Internal Auditor, the External Auditor and the IMAC;
- 8. Assist in redesigning the role of Regional Directors as supervisors of the implementation of projects and initiatives and as managers of financial resources at the local level;
- 9. Assess the engagement of ITU's regional presence with the different partners in the ICT ecosystem in order to facilitate discussions on regional matters;
- 10. Assess the role of regional presence in strengthening ITU's role as an executing agency for implementing projects (in alignment with the Plenipotentiary Conference (PP) Resolution 135 on providing technical assistance and implementing projects);
- 11. Review the support provided by the Regional Offices in the regional preparatory processes for major ITU conferences, including PP, WTSA, WTDC, WRC, and the support of Regional Offices for the major global ITU events taking place in the respective regions;
- 12. Review the role of regional offices in supporting Regional Study Groups (following related WTSA and WTDC Resolutions);
- 13. Review internal administrative procedures pertaining to the work of the regional offices, with a view to their simplification and transparency and enhancing work efficiency (with a focus on procedure for ex ante and ex post regulation), including:

- a. Analysing the internal communication of the Regional Offices/presence with Headquarters and in particular BDT, TSB, BR and the General Secretariat;
- b. Assessing mechanisms to strengthen the expertise in the regional offices, including whether the mobility policy can be applied in ITU;
- c. Examining the financial management and the procurement activities carried out in the Regional and Area Offices;
- 14. Undertake all necessary activities to conduct the review and consult with all stakeholders, including:
 - a. Preparing samples questionnaires/interviewing guidelines;
 - Preparing the communication plan and communication initiative in the organization itself;
 - c. Data collection, interviewing and consultation of representatives of all ITU stakeholders, including representatives of Member States, ITU Sector members and ITU staff;
 - d. Data processing, analysis and development of reports;
 - e. Presenting the conclusions of the study and propose appropriate measures to ensure the continued effectiveness and efficiency of the ITU regional presence;
- 15. Propose a plan of action for the implementation of the proposed measures.

3. Deliverables

The project should produce the following deliverables:

- 1. Profile the current structure of regional offices/presence, including procedures and performance indicators to conduct a gap analysis (which will consider resources, skills, tools);
- 2. Existing level of organizational efficacy/performance parameters;
- 3. Profile of desirable structure of the regional offices/presence, including optimal number and location of regional offices, managerial objectives serving the strategic direction of the organization and staff skills required to implement those objectives;
- 4. Managerial objectives of improving organizational performance (including people/skills, processes technology and tools);
- 5. Develop / extend the RBM model for regional presence/offices;
- 6. Action Plan for change, addressing all the related recommendations provided by the External Auditor, the Internal Auditor and IMAC.

Ref.: Documents <u>C19/133</u> and C19/120.

6 EXTERNAL RELATIONS

6.1 ITU Membership

RESOLUTION 88 (C-1948, last amended C-1976)

Relations of the General Secretariat of the Union with States or administrations which are not Members of the Union

The Council,

considering that it is advisable to give precise instructions to the Secretary-General in regard to the attitude he must adopt in the event of receiving communications from States or administrations which are not Members of the Union, and also in regard to the dispatch of documents of the Union that such States or administrations might request,

resolves that

- with the exception specified below, the Secretary-General may correspond with, or forward documents to, Members;
- the Secretary-General is authorized to correspond with States or administrations not mentioned in paragraph 1 above, with a view to informing them on accession to the Union and the implementation of the Convention or Regulations, or in the case of formal requests to accede, transmitted in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Convention;
- in respect of any other communication he may receive from a State or administration which is not a Member, the Secretary-General shall take the following steps:
- a) if the communication concerns a matter of policy that the Council should normally consider and resolve, or in the case of doubt, he shall restrict himself to acknowledging it, informing the sender that it will be referred to the Council;
- b) if the communication is clearly of a factual nature, connected with the telecommunication services, the Secretary-General shall acknowledge it, informing the sender that a copy will be sent to the Members of the Union for their information, and shall take action accordingly in each case;
- 4.1 in cases referred to in paragraph 3 b) above, the Secretary-General shall publish the communication received under the heading: "Information received from sources outside the Union", followed by a note to the effect that the publication of the information in question does not imply recognition of the status of the sender in relation to the Union;
- 4.2 however, if the nature of the information received is such as to warrant its inclusion in official documents, it shall not be published separately, but shall be incorporated in the appropriate documents, under the title and with the explanatory note referred to in paragraph 4.1;
- requests for documents, public sale of which is authorized, may be complied with in return for payment;

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- 5.2 all Notifications, communications and circular letters distributed gratis by the Secretary-General to Members of the Union shall be furnished by him to any private individual or to any organization on request in return for payment at a price to be fixed by the Secretary-General;
- 6 until Germany becomes a Member once again, the Secretary-General is authorized to correspond with the Allied Control Commission in Germany; he shall, as a practical measure, be provisionally authorized to correspond with the occupation zones of Germany, bearing in mind the practice at present in force.

Ref.: Documents 265/CA3 (1948), 549/CA4 (1949), 803/CA5 (1950), 1606/CA9 (1954), 4965/CA31 (1976).

RESOLUTION 177 (C-1950)

Circular telegrams to administrations

The Council,

considering that the practice of circulating by telegram to all administrations communications emanating from an administration throws heavy burden on all administrations and private operating agencies, which is justified only in cases of urgent necessity for the services of the Union,

recommends

- the administrations of the Union to refrain, insofar as possible, from requesting that their communications to the Union should be forwarded by circular telegram, restricting such requests to strictly indispensable cases;
- that the Secretary-General, when he receives a communication from a Member of the Union with the request that he should forward it to all the other Members, by circular telegram, should comply only if he judges that the matter is urgent and of fundamental importance to the services of the Union, which might be prejudiced if telegraph is not used;
- that in all other cases, he shall use the post, informing the administrations in question accordingly and referring to the present Resolution. If the administrations should insist on a circular telegram, the Secretary-General shall comply with the request.

Ref.: Document 806/CA5 (1950).

RESOLUTION 216 (C-1951, last amended C-1984)1

Applications for Membership of the Union

The Council,

in view of the provisions of Nos. 2 to 6 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982, regarding applications for Membership of the Union,

considering

- a) that there is no provision in the Convention limiting the number of applications for admission which may be made by any one country;
- b) that the Secretary-General is not qualified to express an opinion upon the status of a country or the Government thereof having submitted an application,

resolves

- that in accordance with No. 11 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982, Members which have signed and ratified the Convention or have acceded hereto are permitted to vote on the admission of a new Member (see also No. 178 of the Convention);
- that applications for admission as Member sent to the Secretary-General, as well as the results of the consultations communicated by the Secretary-General to the applicant governments, must be sent through diplomatic channels and through the intermediary of the Swiss Government;
- that a country of which the application for Membership has been declared unsuccessful may at any time make further application for Membership;
- 4 that the procedure for treatment of an application, whether it is made for the first time or following one or more unsuccessful applications, shall be as follows:
- upon receipt of an application, the Secretary-General shall, as soon as possible, inform by telegram all countries listed in Annex 1 to the Convention and countries which have acceded to that Convention;
- b) the telegram shall specify that the countries called upon to give an opinion on the request for admission are those which have ratified or acceded to the Convention, together with those which ratify the Convention before the end of the consultation period provided that, at that time, they have not lost their right of vote under No. 117 of the Convention;
- c) the text of the telegram shall be confirmed by letter;
- d) upon expiry of the period of four months from the date of dispatch of the telegram, the Secretary-General shall determine whether the requisite majority vote in favour has been cast, namely, two-thirds of the countries indicated in b) above;
- that the result of the consultation shall be published in a Notification of the Union, which shall list the Members voting in favour of admission and those voting against.

Ref.: Documents 917/CA6 (1951), 1606/CA9 (1954), 1832/CA11 (1956), 3713/CA22 (1967), 4857/CA30 (1975), 5703/CA36 (1981), 6197/CA39 (1984).

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¹ See also Decision 185.

RESOLUTION 262 (C-1952, last amended C-1984)

Complaints from Members of the Union against other Members of the Union

The Council,

considering

- a) that the Secretary-General is requested to inform all Members of the Union of complaints made by certain Members, and of concern to a limited number of Members only;
- b) that the Secretary-General is not competent to intervene in disputes arising between Members of the Union;
- c) that two procedures are laid down for the settlement of disputes:
- a) direct, friendly negotiations between the Members concerned;
- b) recourse to the provisions of article 50 of the Nairobi Convention, 1982,

invites Members of the Union

to abstain from calling upon the Secretary-General to acquaint other Members with their disputes, either by publication in a Notification or by any other means,

instructs the Secretary-General

to refer those Members submitting complaints against other Members to the terms of the present Resolution, and to advise them that, in consequence, he cannot comply with their request.

Ref.: Documents 1212/CA7 (1952), 4965/CA31 (1976), 6197/CA39 (1984).

RESOLUTION 1008 (C-1990)

Committee to ascertain the facts concerning Israel's violations of the International Telecommunication Convention

The Council,

pursuant to Resolution 64 (PLEN/2) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, Nice, 1989,

considering that Resolution 64 (PLEN/2) of the Plenipotentiary Conference of the ITU (Nice, 1989) instructs the Council to form a Committee from among its Members with the task of ascertaining the facts concerning Israel's violations of the International Telecommunication Convention (Nairobi, 1982) and of reporting to the Council on those violations,

taking into account

- a) the results of the consultations of the Members of the Council during its 45th session;
- b) the need to establish a fact-finding Committee, from Members of the Council with regard to both a balanced distribution and the readiness of individual Members of the Council to serve on this Committee;
- c) the inability of the 45th session of the Council to form this Committee,

resolves

- that the terms of reference of the above Committee shall be to ascertain the facts concerning Israel's violations of the International Telecommunication Convention (Nairobi, 1982)¹ which, within the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories, prevent the Palestinian people and Arab civilians from making unrestricted use of telecommunication facilities;
- to entrust the Secretary-General to constitute a fact-finding Committee consisting of at least five administrations from different regions within three months, and not later than 31 December 1990;
- 3 that the Committee may select its own Chairman,

instructs the Secretary-General to provide, within the limits of available resources, the secretariat and other assistance which may be required by the Committee,

invites Members of the Union to provide every assistance that may be required to facilitate the work of the Committee,

invites the Committee to complete its task as quickly as possible and submit its report to the 46th session of the Council.

Ref.: Documents 7074 and 7076/CA45 (1990).

RESOLUTION 1097 (C-1996)

Right to vote of Members of the Union

The Council,

noting

- a) that, pursuant to the provisions of No. 210 of the Constitution (Geneva, 1992), signatory Members which have not deposited an instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval of the Constitution and of the Convention shall no longer be entitled to vote, as from 1 July 1996, at any conference of the Union, at any session of the Council, at any meeting of any of the Sectors of the Union, or during consultation by correspondence, until they have so deposited such an instrument;
- b) that non-signatory Members which have not yet deposited an instrument of accession to the Constitution and Convention (Geneva, 1992) have not had the right to vote since 1 July 1994, the date of entry into force of those two instruments,

noting further

Recommendation 1 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994) on deposit of the above-mentioned instruments,

¹ This reference will read: "... of the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Nice, 1989) ...", as soon as those instruments come into force.

considering

that it is of the greatest importance that the Members of the Union should enjoy all their rights and, in particular, that they should be able to exercise their right to vote at conferences and meetings or in formal consultations of the Union,

resolves

to urge all Members of the Union which have not yet deposited their single instrument to expedite their respective national procedures for ratification, acceptance or approval of (see Article 52 of the Constitution), or accession to (see Article 53 of the Constitution), the Constitution and the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992) and to deposit their single instrument with the Secretary-General as soon as possible,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to bring this Resolution to the attention of the Members of the Union and, as he deems fit in the light of the number of instruments deposited, to issue periodic reminders of its content to those Members of the Union which have not yet deposited their respective instruments;
- to draw the attention of the Members in question to No. 231 of the Constitution and No. 527 of the Convention which provide that after entry into force of any instrument amending the Constitution and/or the Convention, ratification, acceptance or approval of, or accession to, the Constitution and the Convention in accordance with Articles 52 and 53 of the Constitution shall apply to the Constitution and the Convention as amended.

Ref.: Documents C96/129 and C96/137.

DECISION 185 (C-1957, last amended C-1981)

Interpretation of the term "majority" in connection with telegraphic consultations

The Council,

having considered Document 1940/CA12,

decided that when an enquiry is addressed to Members of the Union by telegram, the required majority shall be the majority of the total number of Members of the Union which have ratified the Convention or acceded to it at the time when the result of the consultation is calculated, provided that, at the time, they have not lost their right to vote under the provisions of the Convention in force.

Consultations regarding the admission of new Members, made in virtue of the provisions of article 1 of the Convention, shall continue to be governed by the provisions of Resolution 216 (amended).

Ref.: Documents 2000/CA12 (1957), 4965/CA31 (1976), 5703/CA36 (1981).

DECISION 630 (C23)

Informational resource to help Member States build their cybersecurity and cyber resilience capacity

The ITU Council,

considering

- a) Resolution 130 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) on Strengthening the role of ITU in building confidence and security in the use of information and communication technologies;
- b) WTDC Resolution 45 (Rev. Kigali, 2022) on Mechanisms for enhancing cooperation on cybersecurity, including countering and combating spam;
- c) WTSA Resolution 50 (Rev. Geneva, 2022) on Cybersecurity;
- d) Recommendation 3 of the Working Group of the Plenary of the Plenipotentiary Conference 2022, that invites the Council to consider proposals from Member States regarding the GCA, its current use and possible future elaboration,

recalling

- a) that cybersecurity is a fundamental element for securing telecommunication/ICT infrastructures;
- b) that building confidence and security in the use of ICTs is essential to reap the immense opportunities of digital technologies;
- c) that greater digital connectivity necessitates more work to build capacity for cyber resilience and cybersecurity awareness, as well as to address digital divides,

decides to instruct the Secretary-General, in close cooperation with the Directors of the three Bureaux

- to develop an informational resource for Member States, that includes, under each of the pillars of the Global Cybersecurity Agenda (GCA):
- a. examples of existing best practices;
- b. sources of advice, assistance and guidance from the ITU and other relevant organisations for countries to strengthen their cybersecurity and cyber resilience;
- c. information about capacity building programmes that the ITU and other relevant organisations are providing;
- to maintain and regularly update this resource, to take account of new challenges, new developments and new ITU related- activities, as well as new activities lead by other organizations that can assist Membership in strengthening their cybersecurity and cyber resilience capacity.

Ref.: Documents C23/93(Rev.1), C23/109 and C23/124.

6.2 United Nations and other organizations

RESOLUTION 101 (C-1948)

Exchange of documents between the ITU and the United Nations

The Council,

having considered the provisions of Article V of the Agreement between the ITU and the United Nations,

considering that, as the Secretary-General has stated, the United Nations sends him free of charge many of the documents of the United Nations and its specialized agencies,

resolves to authorize the Secretary-General to send free of charge to the UN the documents and publications of the ITU as long as this reciprocal arrangement is maintained. However, in order to avoid the dispatch of documents and publications which could be of no interest to UN and the specialized agencies, the Secretary-General will arrange to send to the Secretary-General of UN only such documents and publications of the ITU as he desires to receive.

Ref.: Document 286/CA3 (1948).

RESOLUTION 102 (C-1948)

Exchange of statistics with the United Nations

The Council,

having considered the provisions of Article IX of the Agreement between the ITU and the United Nations,

resolves that the Secretary-General shall be entrusted with the exchange of statistics with the United Nations, and in carrying out this duty shall take into account the provisions of the Agreement and especially those of Articles IX and XII.

Ref.: Document 286/CA3 (1948).

RESOLUTION 126 (C-1949, last amended C-1976)

Relationship between a national and an international mandate

The Council

resolves

- that any person accredited by a competent authority of the Union to represent the ITU at an international conference or meeting of another organization is precluded by reason of the fact that he represents the Union from holding any national or international mandate as a representative at such conference or meeting;
- 2 to request the Members of the Union to facilitate the enforcement of this decision.

Ref.: Documents 408/CA4 (1949), 1606/CA9 (1954), 1757/CA10 (1955), 4965/CA31 (1976).

RESOLUTION 193 (C-1950, last amended C-1984)

Convention on privileges and immunities of the specialized agencies

The Council,

considering

- a) that the Union has accepted the Convention on privileges and immunities of the specialized agencies;
- b) that the question of the conflict between the provisions of Article IV, section 11, of the abovementioned Convention, on the one hand, and the definition of Government Telegrams and Government Telephone Calls given in Annex 2 to the International Telecommunication Convention, on the other, still remains unresolved,

recognizing that this question of conflict is the subject of Resolution 40 of the Plenipotentiary Conference, Nairobi, 1982,

requests the Secretary-General

- to keep up-to-date and communicate to all States Parties to the said Convention in respect of the Union, and to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the names of the officials to which the provisions of Articles VI and VIII of the said Convention apply;
- when a conference or meeting of the Union is held in a State Party to the Convention in respect of the Union, to take the necessary steps to remind all Union Members of the provisions of Article V and to provide the representatives of Members with a document declaring their right to these privileges and immunities.

This Resolution supersedes Decision 51.

Ref.: Documents 807/CA5 (1950), 5703/CA36 (1981), 6197/CA39 (1984).

RESOLUTION 659 (C-1969)1

Action on United Nations General Assembly Resolutions 2395, 2396, 2426 and 2465 (XXIII)

The Council,

having examined

- a) the Secretary-General's report contained in Document 3864/CA24;
- b) the Resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly annexed to that report which, in accordance with Article IV of the Agreement between the United Nations and the International Telecommunication Union had been transmitted to the Secretary-General of the Union for submission to its appropriate organ,

recalling Resolution 14, adopted by the Plenipotentiary Conference, Nairobi, 1982, Resolution 599² adopted by the Council in 1966 and Resolution 619² adopted by the Council in 1967,

bearing in mind the purposes of the Union and the duties of the Secretary-General as stipulated in the International Telecommunication Convention,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to collaborate fully with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), in particular:
- by providing advice, and possible arranging for the provision by Members of equipment, when representatives of UNHCR are called upon to establish emergency telecommunication circuits;
- by facilitating the participation of refugees holding fellowships from UNDP or other organizations, in courses in telecommunication training centres sponsored by ITU;
- by the participation of the ITU in projects in the field of rural development which involve the establishment or development of a telecommunication network;
- to examine with the Secretary-General of the United Nations what other steps could be taken by the Headquarters of the Union, within the framework of the International Telecommunication Convention, to implement General Assembly Resolutions 2395, 2396, 2426 and 2465 (XXIII), the texts of which are annexed to this Resolution,

invites Members of the Union

to respond, to the greatest extent possible, to the appeals contained in the above-mentioned General Assembly Resolutions;

¹ See Resolution 765/CA30 (1975).

² Obsolete.

2 to assist the Secretary-General, on request, by furnishing the equipment referred to in paragraph 1 of this Resolution,

further instructs the Secretary-General to transmit the text of this Resolution to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to the Executive Heads of the Specialized Agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency, to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and to all Members of the Union.

Annexes: 4

ANNEX 1

RESOLUTION 2395 (XXIII)3

QUESTION OF TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE ADMINISTRATION

ANNEX 2

RESOLUTION 2396 (XXIII)

THE POLICIES OF APARTHEID OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

The General Assembly,

recalling its Resolutions on this question and Security Council Resolutions 181 (1963) of 7 August 1963, 182 (1963) of 4 December 1963, 190 (1964) of 9 June 1964 and 191 (1964) of 18 June 1964,

having considered the report of the Special Committee on the Policies of apartheid of the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the report of the Sub-Committee on Information on apartheid annexed thereto,

taking into account the decisions and recommendations contained in the Proclamation of Teheran adopted by the International Conference on Human Rights, held at Teheran from 22 April to 13 May 1968,

noting with concern that the Government of South Africa continues to intensify and extend beyond the borders of South Africa its inhuman and aggressive policies of apartheid and that these policies have led to a violent conflict, creating a situation in the whole of southern Africa which constitutes a grave threat to international peace and security,

recognizing that the policies and actions of the Government of South Africa constitute a serious obstacle to the exercise of the right of self-determination by the oppressed people of southern Africa,

³ See Resolution 765/CA30 (1975).

convinced that the international campaign against apartheid must be intensified urgently in order to assist in securing the elimination of these inhuman policies,

considering that effective action for a solution of the situation in South Africa is imperative in order to eliminate the grave threat to the peace in southern Africa as a whole,

noting that the Security Council has not considered the problem of apartheid since 1964,

- 1 reiterates its condemnation of the policies of apartheid practiced by the Government of South Africa as a crime against humanity,
- 2 condemns the Government of South Africa for its illegal occupation of Namibia and its military intervention and for its assistance to the racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia in violation of United Nations Resolutions,
- *reaffirms* the urgent necessity of eliminating the policies of *apartheid* so that the people of South Africa, as a whole, can exercise their right to self-determination and attain majority rule based on universal suffrage,
- draws the attention of the Security Council to the grave situation in South Africa, and in southern Africa as a whole, and requests the Council to resume urgently the consideration of the question of apartheid with a view to adopting, under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, effective measures to ensure the full implementation of comprehensive mandatory sanctions against South Africa,
- condemns the actions of those States, particularly the main trading partners of South Africa, and the activities of those foreign financial and other interests, all of which, through their political, economic and military collaboration with the Government of South Africa and contrary to the relevant General Assembly and Security Council Resolutions, are encouraging that Government to persist in its racial policies,
- *reaffirms* its recognition of the legitimacy of the struggle of the people of South Africa for all human rights, and in particular political rights and fundamental freedoms for all the people of South Africa irrespective of race, colour or creed,
- 7 calls upon all States and organizations to provide greater moral, political and material assistance to the South African liberation movement in its legitimate struggle,
- 8 expresses its grave concern over the ruthless persecution of opponents of apartheid under arbitrary laws and the treatment of freedom fighters who were taken prisoner during the legitimate struggle for liberation, and:
- a) condemns the Government of South Africa for its cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment of political prisoners;
- b) calls once again for the release of all persons imprisoned or restricted for their opposition to apartheid and appeals to all Governments, organizations and individuals to intensify their efforts in order to induce the Government of South Africa to release all such persons and to stop the persecution and ill-treatment of opponents of apartheid;
- declares that such freedom fighters should be treated as prisoners of war under international law, particularly the Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War of 12 August 1949;
- d) requests the Secretary-General to establish and publicize as widely as possible:
 - i) a register of persons who have been executed, imprisoned, placed under house arrest or banning orders or deported for their opposition to apartheid;
 - ii) a register of all available information on acts of brutality committed by the Government of South Africa and its officials against opponents of apartheid in prisons;

- 9 commands the activities of anti-apartheid movements and other organizations engaged in providing assistance to the victims of apartheid and in promoting their cause, and invites all States, organizations and individuals to make generous contributions in support of their endeavours,
- urges the Governments of all States to discourage, in their territories, by legislative or other acts, all activities and organizations which support the policies of apartheid as well as any propaganda in favour of the policies of apartheid and racial discrimination,
- 11 requests all States to discourage the flow of immigrants, particularly skilled and technical personnel, to South Africa,
- requests all States and organizations to suspend cultural, educational, sporting and other exchanges with the racist régime and with organizations or institutions in South Africa which practice apartheid,
- *invites* all States and organizations to commemorate as widely as possible the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in 1969 in order to express their solidarity with the oppressed people of South Africa,
- requests the Special Committee on the Policies of apartheid of the Government of the Republic of South Africa, as a matter of priority, to study and report on the implementation of the United Nations Resolutions on the question of apartheid, the effects of the measures taken and the means of securing more effective international action,
- *request* the Special Committee to intensify its efforts to promote the international campaign against *apartheid* and, to this end, authorizes it:
- a) to hold sessions away from Headquarters or to send a sub-committee on a mission to consult specialized agencies, regional organizations, States and non-governmental organizations;
- to hold consultations with experts and to arrange for special studies on various aspects of apartheid, in consultation with the Secretary-General and within the budgetary provisions to be made for this purpose,
- requests all States, specialized agencies and other organizations to intensify the dissemination of information on the evils of apartheid in the light of the report of the Special Committee and, in this respect, reiterates its request to those States which have not yet done so to encourage urgently the establishment of national committees as provided in paragraph 9 of General Assembly Resolution 2307 (XXII) of 13 December 1967,
- 17 requests the Secretary-General, in the light of the proposals of the Special Committee for the widest dissemination of information on apartheid:
- to ensure that the Unit on apartheid, established in pursuance of General Assembly Resolution 2144 A (XXI) of 26 October 1966, discharges its increased functions in the light of the proposals outlined in paragraph 146 of the report of the Special Committee;
- b) to take other appropriate steps to assist all States, specialized agencies and other organizations to intensify the dissemination of information,
- requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide the Special Committee with all the necessary means, including appropriate financial means, for the effective accomplishment of its task,
- *invites* States, specialized agencies, regional organizations and non-governmental organizations to cooperate with the Secretary-General and the Special Committee in the accomplishment of their tasks under the present Resolution.

ANNEX 3

RESOLUTION 2426 (XXIII)4

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES BY THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS

The General Assembly,

having considered the item entitled "Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations",

recalling the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples contained in General Assembly Resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

recalling its Resolution 2311 (XXII) of 14 December 1967 and other relevant General Assembly Resolutions,

taking into account the relevant reports submitted by the Secretary-General, the Economic and Social Council and the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples concerning the implementation of the Declaration by the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations,

bearing in mind that the national liberation movements in several colonial Territories, and particularly in Africa, require the urgent assistance of the specialized agencies, particularly in the field of education, health and nutrition, in their struggle to attain freedom and independence,

noting with regret that some of the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations, and in particular the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund, have not so far implemented Resolution 2311 (XXII) and other relevant Resolutions,

considering that, by virtue of the Charter of the United Nations, in particular Chapters IX and X, the United Nations shall make recommendations for the coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies,

1 reiterates its appeal to the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the international institutions associated with the United Nations to extend their full cooperation to the United Nations in the achievement of the objectives and provisions of General Assembly Resolution 1514 (XV) and other relevant Resolutions,

⁴ See Resolution 765/CA30 (1975).

- 2 expresses its appreciation to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and to those specialized agencies and international institutions which have cooperated with the United Nations in the implementation of the relevant General Assembly Resolutions,
- *recommends* that the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned should assist the peoples struggling for their liberation from colonial rule and, in particular, should work out, within the scope of their respective activities and in cooperation with the Organization of African Unity and, through it, with the national liberation movements, concrete programmes of assistance to the oppressed peoples of Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and the Territories under Portuguese domination,
- *appeals once again* to all the specialized agencies and international institutions and, in particular, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund, to take all necessary steps to withhold from the Governments of Portugal and South Africa financial, economic, technical and other assistance until they renounce their policies of racial discrimination and colonial domination,
- *recommends* that the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development should withdraw the loans and credits which it has granted to the Governments of Portugal and South Africa, which are being used by those Governments to suppress the national liberation movements in the Portuguese colonies and in Namibia, and against the African population of the Republic of South Africa,
- 6 requests all States, through action in the specialized agencies and international institutions of which they are members, to facilitate the full and speedy implementation of the relevant General Assembly Resolutions,
- 7 requests the Economic and Social Council to consider, in consultation with the Special Committee, appropriate measures for the coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies in implementing the relevant General Assembly Resolutions,
- 8 invites the Secretary-General:
- a) to continue to assist the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned in working out appropriate measures for implementing the relevant General Assembly Resolutions and to report thereon to the Assembly at its twenty-fourth session,
- b) to obtain and transmit to the Special Committee for its consideration concrete suggestions from the specialized agencies and international institutions concerned as regards the best ways and means of achieving the full and speedy implementation of the relevant Resolutions,
- 9 requests the Special Committee to continue to examine the question and to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session.

ANNEX 4

RESOLUTION 2465 (XXIII)5

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

The General Assembly,

recalling the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples contained in its Resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

recalling its Resolutions 1654 (XVI) of 27 November 1961, 1810 (XVII) of 17 December 1962, 1956 (XVIII) of 11 December 1963, 1970 (XVIII) of 16 December 1963, 2105 (XX) of 20 December 1965, 2189 (XXI) of 13 December 1966 and 2326 (XXII) of 16 December 1967,

recalling also its Resolutions 2288 (XXII) of 7 December 1967 and 2425 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 concerning the item entitled "Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and Territories under Portuguese domination and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, apartheid and racial discrimination in southern Africa",

recalling further its Resolutions 2311 (XXII) of 14 December 1967 and 2426 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 concerning the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations,

taking into account the Final Act of the International Conference on Human Rights, held at Teheran from 22 April to 13 May 1968,

noting with grave concern that eight years after the adoption of the Declaration many Territories are still under colonial domination,

deploring the failure of those colonial Powers, especially Portugal and South Africa, which have not complied with the Declaration and relevant Resolutions on the question of decolonization, particularly those relating to the Territories under Portuguese domination, Southern Rhodesia and Namibia, and gravely concerned about the attitude of those Member States which have not fully cooperated in the implementation of the above-mentioned Resolutions,

bearing in mind that the continuation of colonialism and its manifestations, including racism and apartheid, and the attempts of some colonial Powers to suppress national liberation movements by repressive activities against colonial peoples are incompatible with the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

deploring the attitude of certain States which, in disregard of the pertinent Resolutions of the Security Council, the General Assembly and the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, continue to cooperate with the Governments of Portugal and South Africa and with the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia, which are continuing to repress the African peoples,

⁵ See also Resolution 765/CA30 (1975).

gravely concerned about the development in southern Africa of the *entente* between the Governments of Portugal and South Africa and the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia, the activities of which endanger international peace and security,

convinced that further delay in the speedy and effective implementation of the Declaration remains a source of international conflicts and differences, which are seriously impeding international cooperation and endangering world peace and security,

stressing once again the need for the large-scale and continuous publicizing of the work of the United Nations in the field of decolonization, of the situation in the colonial Territories and of the continuing struggle for liberation being waged by the colonial peoples,

recalling that the year 1970 will be the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration,

- 1 reaffirms its Resolution 1514 (XV) and all of its other Resolutions on the question of decolonization,
- 2 notes with satisfaction the work accomplished by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and expresses its appreciation to the Special Committee for its efforts to secure the complete and effective implementation of the Declaration,
- *approves* the report of the Special Committee covering its work during 1968, including the programme of work envisaged by the Committee during 1969, and urges the administering Powers to give effect to the recommendations contained in that report for the speedy implementation of the Declaration and the relevant United Nations Resolutions,
- 4 reiterates its declaration that the continuation of colonial rule threatens international peace and security and that the practice of apartheid and all forms of racial discrimination constitutes a crime against humanity,
- *reaffirms* its recognition of the legitimacy of the struggle of the colonial peoples to exercise their right to self determination and independence and notes with satisfaction the progress made in the colonial Territories by the national liberation movements, both through their struggle and through reconstruction programmes, and urges all States to provide moral and material assistance to them,
- 6 urges all States to comply strictly with the provisions of its various Resolutions and those of the Security Council concerning the colonial Territories, and in particular to give the necessary moral, political and material support to the peoples of those Territories in their legitimate struggle to achieve freedom and independence,
- 7 requests all States, as well as the specialized agencies and international institutions, to withhold assistance of any kind from the Governments of Portugal and South Africa and from the illegal racist minority régime of Southern Rhodesia until they renounce their policy of colonial domination and racial discrimination,
- declares that the practice of using mercenaries against movements for national liberation and independence is punishable as a criminal act and that the mercenaries themselves are outlaws, and calls upon the Governments of all countries to enact legislation declaring the recruitment, financing and training of mercenaries in their territory to be a punishable offence and prohibiting their nationals from serving as mercenaries,
- *requests* the colonial Powers to dismantle their military bases and installations in colonial Territories and to refrain from establishing new ones and from using those that still exist to interfere with the liberation of the peoples in colonial Territories in the exercise of their legitimate rights to freedom and independence,

- once again condemns the policies, pursued by certain colonial Powers in the Territories under their domination, of imposing non-representative régimes and constitutions, strengthening the position of foreign economic and other interests, misleading world public opinion and encouraging the systematic influx of foreign immigrants while displacing, deporting and transferring the indigenous inhabitants to other areas, and calls upon those Powers to desist from such maneuvers,
- requests the Special Committee to continue to perform its task and to seek suitable means for the immediate and full implementation of the Declaration in all Territories which have not yet attained independence,
- requests the Special Committee to make concrete suggestions which could assist the Security Council in considering appropriate measures under the Charter of the United Nations with regard to developments in colonial Territories which are likely to threaten international peace and security, and recommends that the Council take such suggestions fully into consideration,
- requests the Special Committee to continue to examine the compliance of Member States with the Declaration and with other relevant Resolutions on the question of decolonization, particularly those relating to the Territories under Portuguese domination, Southern Rhodesia and Namibia, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session,
- *invites* the Special Committee to pay particular attention to the small Territories and to recommend to the General Assembly the most appropriate methods and also the steps to be taken to enable the populations of those Territories to exercise fully their right to self-determination and independence,
- *urges* the administering Powers to cooperate with the Special Committee by permitting the access of visiting missions to the colonial Territories in accordance with decisions previously taken by the General Assembly and by the Special Committee,
- decides to establish a Preparatory Committee for the Tenth Anniversary of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, consisting of the members of the Special Committee and six other members to be nominated by the President of the General Assembly in consultation with the Chairman of the Special Committee, and requests that Committee to prepare a special programme of activities in connection with the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration with a view to finding further ways and means to expedite the achievement of the objectives set forth in the Declaration, and to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session,
- requests the Secretary-General, having regard to the suggestions of the Special Committee, to take concrete measures through all the media at his disposal, including publications, radio and television, to give widespread and continuous publicity to the work of the United Nations in the field of decolonization, to the situation in the colonial Territories and to the continuing struggle for liberation being waged by the colonial peoples,
- 18 requests the administering Powers to cooperate with the Secretary-General in promoting the large-scale dissemination of information on the work of the United Nations in the implementation of the Declaration,
- 19 requests the Secretary-General to provide all the facilities necessary for the implementation of the present Resolution.

Ref.: Documents 3977/CA24 (1969), 4402/CA27 (1972), 4965/CA31 (1976), 5703/CA36 (1981), 6197/CA39 (1984).

RESOLUTION 708 (C-1972)

Resolutions of the General Assembly of the United Nations

The Council,

recalling

- a) the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples contained in Resolution 1514 (XV) adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 14 December 1960 and other pertinent Resolutions of the General Assembly;
- b) Resolution 659 adopted by the Council during its 24th Session,

having noted the Resolutions of the twenty-sixth Session of the General Assembly annexed to Document 4303/CA27¹ submitted to the Council in accordance with Article IV of the Agreement between the United Nations and the ITU,

invites the administrations, in particular those of countries in which there are refugees from dependent territories in Africa, to arrange for training in their vocational centres of a certain number of sponsored refugees wishing to be trained in telecommunications,

requests the Secretary-General

- to maintain contact with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, other organs of the United Nations system and with the Organization for African Unity, in order to achieve cooperation in this field;
- to continue to collaborate with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in application of Resolution 659,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to draw the attention of the Members of the Union to this Resolution and to communicate its text to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to the Heads of the Specialized Agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency and to the Secretary-General of the Organization for African Unity;
- to report on any action taken in pursuance of this Resolution to the 28th and subsequent Sessions of the Council.

Ref.: Document 4402/CA27 (1972).

Resolutions 2775 A-H (XXVI), 2795 (XXVI), 2796 (XXVI), 2839 (XXVI), 2871 (XXVI), 2872 (XXVI), 2874 (XXVI), 2878 (XXVI) and 2879 (XXVI).

RESOLUTION 800 (C-1977, last amended C-1984)

Telecommunications, an important factor in economic and social development: role of the ITU in this domain

The Council,

having examined the note by the Secretary-General entitled, "Telecommunications, an important factor in economic and social development: role of the ITU in this domain" (Document 5073/CA32),

noting

- a) that in all countries, regardless of their level of development, the existence of an adequate telecommunication infrastructure is of vital importance for economic and social development in different areas and that in consequence many international organizations, in addition to the ITU, are interested in one or more aspects of telecommunication development;
- b) that not all international organizations are sufficiently aware of the role of the ITU in the regulation and standardization of telecommunications or of the activities of the Union in preparing reports and recommendations relating to the planning and exploitation of the telecommunication infrastructure and services;
- c) the request addressed to the Director-General of UNESCO by the General Assembly of the United Nations, in its Resolution A/RES/31/139, to report, in cooperation with the specialized agencies concerned, on progress achieved in the development of mass communication systems, this report to be considered at the 33rd Session (1978) of the Assembly,

considering

- a) that the International Telecommunication Union is recognized by the United Nations as the specialized agency responsible for taking such action as may be appropriate under its basic instrument for the accomplishment of the purposes set forth therein;
- b) that article 4 of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi, 1982, states the purposes of the Union as being:
- to maintain and extend international cooperation between all Members of the Union for the improvement and rational use of telecommunications of all kinds, as well as to promote and to offer technical assistance to developing countries in the field of telecommunications;
- to promote the development of technical facilities and their most efficient operation with a view to improving the efficiency of telecommunications services, increasing their usefulness and making them, so far as possible, generally available to the public;
- to harmonize the actions of nations in the attainment of those ends;
- c) that through its organs, as specified in Article 5 of the International Telecommunication Convention, the action of the Union in the domain of telecommunications extends from regulation and standardization to the completion of technical studies leading to intergovernmental agreements on the planning, operation and maintenance of telecommunication services of all kinds, including telecommunication transmission systems and tariffs intended for mass communications;

d) that the ITU participates fully in the United Nations Development Programme as the executing agency for telecommunication projects,

recognizing that, in seeking to harmonize national and international efforts in the development of telecommunications, the Union is bound to maintain contact with other international organizations dealing with communications in order to be informed of their activities and to inform these organizations of existing regulatory and standardization provisions as well as past and present activities of the Union having a bearing on their work,

invites all Members of the Union

- to provide national delegations attending meetings of the United Nations, the specialized agencies and other international organizations, where items concerning communications will be discussed, with a briefing on the role and responsibilities of the Union in the domain of telecommunications;
- 2 to bring this Resolution to the notice of these national delegations,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to bring this Resolution to the notice of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and to the heads of the UN specialized agencies and of all other international organizations having an interest in the development of telecommunications;
- to cooperate fully with the Director-General of UNESCO in the preparation of the report requested by the General Assembly in its Resolution A/RES/31/139 and to report on the progress achieved to the 33rd session of the Council;
- 3 to further the purposes of the Union by continuing to participate in the work of the United Nations and other international organizations in matters concerning telecommunications; in these forums, to emphasize the role and activities of the International Telecommunication Union in the domain of telecommunication development.

Ref.: Documents 5148 (Rev.)/CA32 (1977), 6197/CA39 (1984).

RESOLUTION 1027 (C-1992)

ITU Centenary Prize Funds

The Council,

recalling its Resolution 816 (amended), entitled "ITU Centenary Prize",

having considered the Report by the Secretary-General in Document 7238/CA47 entitled "Use of the Centenary Prize Funds",

noting that the Members of the Council are in favour of using the available funds, originally contributed for the construction of an ITU Centenary monument, for the upgrading and modernization of the ITU Central Library,

considering that as a part of the Union's effort to ensure more efficient interaction and exchange of information available at the Headquarters, the computerization of the Library would certainly result in quantitative and qualitative improvements in services rendered to the ITU Members and in particular to the Least Developed Countries,

resolves to use the Centenary Prize Funds for the modernization of the ITU Central Library, subject to approval of the donors,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to seek the approval of Administrations which have contributed to the Fund;
- to implement the project according to the proposal laid down in Document 7238/CA47.

This Resolution cancels and replaces Resolution 816 (amended).

Ref.: Resolution 816 (amended) and Documents 7238, 7320 and 7321/CA47 (1992).

RESOLUTION 1353 (C12)

ITU's Role in implementing the outcomes of the 2012 United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20)

The Council,

recalling

- a) Resolution 35 (Kyoto, 1994) on telecommunication support for the protection of the environment;
- b) Resolution 135 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) on ITU's role in the development of telecommunications/information and communication technologies, in providing technical assistance and advice to developing countries, and in implementing relevant national, regional and interregional projects;
- c) Resolution 139 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) on telecommunications/ICTs to bridge the digital divide and build an inclusive information society;
- d) Resolution 182 (Guadalajara, 2010) on the role of telecommunications/ICTs on climate change and the protection of the environment;
- e) Resolution 184 (Guadalajara, 2010) on facilitating digital inclusion initiatives for indigenous peoples,

recalling further

- a) the outcomes of the United Nations conferences and summits on the issues related to sustainable development and poverty eradication, including, among others:
- the Stockholm Declaration of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment, adopted at Stockholm (Sweden) on 1972;
- the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and Agenda 21 of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, adopted at Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) on 1992;

- the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation (JPOI) and the Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, adopted at Johannesburg (South Africa) on 2002;
- The Istanbul Programme of Action of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, adopted at Istanbul (Turkey) on 2011;
- b) the Geneva Declaration of Principles and Geneva Plan of Action, adopted in 2003, and the Tunis Commitment and Tunis Agenda for the Information Society, adopted in 2005, at the World Summit on the Information Society, all of which were endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly and which defined several principles and actions for the use of ICTs to promote sustainable development,

considering

that the United Nations General Assembly, through Resolution A/RES/66/197, invited UN organizations to participate fully and effectively in the Rio+20 conference and to provide ideas and proposals reflecting their experiences and lessons learned as a contribution to the preparatory process of the conference,

considering also

- a) the series of ITU symposia focused on the issues of ICTs, the Environment and Climate Change;
- b) the results of the 7th Symposium held on 29-31 May 2012 in the form of the "Montreal Declaration" which was directed to the participants of the Rio+20 Conference to identify and agree on key priorities and provide clear guidance on how to move the global green agenda forward through the use of ICTs,

notes with satisfaction

- a) the participation of ITU in the preparatory process of the 2012 United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), as well as during the conference itself;
- b) the outcome document adopted by Rio+20, entitled "The Future We Want", reflecting the renewal of political commitment towards advancing sustainable development and achieving poverty eradication;
- c) that this outcome document recognizes that ICTs are facilitating the flow of information between governments and the public, highlighting the need to continue working towards improved access to ICT, especially broadband network and services, and bridge the digital divide, recognizing the contribution of international cooperation in this regard;
- d) that the conference has called for the further mainstreaming of the three dimensions of sustainable development throughout the United Nations System, inviting UN specialized agencies to consider appropriate measures for integrating the social, economic and environmental dimensions across the UN System's operational activities and to support developing countries upon request to achieve sustainable development,

resolves

to take note of "The Future We Want", outcome document of the Rio+20 conference, and to initiate a process to further integrate the main principles included in this document into ITU's activities, advancing in the use of ICTs to promote the integration of the economic, social and environmental pillars of sustainable development,

instructs the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the Directors of the Bureaux

- to present the outcomes of the Rio+20 conference at relevant upcoming meetings and conferences of the ITU;
- to share the outcomes of the Rio+20 conference with the membership and other relevant stakeholders of the telecommunication/ICT sector;
- 3 to prepare a report with an analysis of the outcomes of the Rio+20 conference, highlighting their implications for ITU, including:
- a) an overview analysis of ITU Resolutions related to the Rio+20 outcomes that may need to be reviewed in upcoming conferences;
- b) an identification of actions to be undertaken by ITU, within the current budgetary framework, to further mainstream sustainable development in ITU's programs, activities, strategies and decision-making processes and to improve the environmental footprint of the organization;
- c) an identification of new activities to be undertaken by ITU to support developing countries to achieve sustainable development through telecommunications and ICTs,
- taking into account ITU's role in the WSIS+10 Overall Review, to ensure the integration and implementation of Rio+20 outcomes with the WSIS+10 review process;
- to invite the members of the United Nations Group on the Information Society (UNGIS) to contribute to the further mainstreaming of the three dimensions of sustainable development through effective coordination of substantive policy issues related to the Information Society development and implementation of the WSIS outcomes;
- to take an active role in the follow up activities of the Rio+20 conference, providing input and expertise to all relevant external forums and intergovernmental bodies;
- 7 to present an annual report to the ITU Council on the progress made on the implementation of this resolution,

invites the ITU Membership

- to further enhance mainstreaming of sustainable development within their organizations and within the telecommunication/ICT sector;
- 2 to contribute to the activities included in this resolution.

Ref.: Documents <u>C12/102</u> and <u>C12/110</u>.

DECISION 43 (C-1951, last amended C-1954)

Resolution 411 (V) of the General Assembly of the United Nations on administrative budgets of the specialized agencies

The Secretary-General or his deputy should attend the meetings of the Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions.

Ref.: Documents 981/CA6 (1951), 1606/CA9 (1954).

DECISION 45 (C-1951)

Collaboration with the United Nations concerning the agenda of United Nations meetings

The Council,

invited the Secretary-General to ask the United Nations to be good enough to consult with the ITU when the agenda of the United Nations organs and commissions are being drawn up, in order that matters of concern to the Union may be grouped together and dealt with, as far as possible, within a very short period. Such procedure would save the representatives of the Union long waits and hence would reduce official mission expenses.

Ref.: Document 970/CA6 (1951).

7 MISCELLANEOUS

7.1 Building, Rooms, Equipment

DECISION 588 (C16)

Headquarters Premises

The Council,

recalling

Resolution 194 (Busan, 2014) on Options for the Union's headquarters premises over the long term,

recalling further its decision to

establish the Council Working Group on headquarters premises (CWG-HQP),

having considered

the Final Report of CWG-HQP and endorsed its Final Conclusions and Recommendations (Document C16/7),

having also considered

the urgency placed on this matter by the Plenipotentiary Conference of Busan 2014,

welcoming

the offer of an interest free loan of CHF 150 million from the Host Country for the construction of a new Varembé building and its connection to the Montbrillant building,

decides

- to replace the Varembé building by a new construction that would also include the offices and facilities of the Tower building, and complement the Montbrillant building which would be retained and refurbished;
- to establish an Advisory Board of Member States to provide independent and impartial advice on the project to the Council and Secretary-General;
- 3 to authorize a maximum budget for total project costs before sale of the Tower of CHF 140 million and an additional contingency fund of CHF 7 million to be used, if necessary, for unforeseen cost overruns,

instructs the Secretary General

- to request an interest free loan of CHF 150 million from the Host Country repayable over 50 years beginning from the first occupation of the new building;
- to estimate the impact of the project on the long term sustainability of the budget of the Union, and provide this information to Council;
- to procure, in accordance with UN best practices, a detailed requirements specification for the new building to be reported to Council 2017;

- 4 to work with the Host Country to reduce the cost of temporary relocation;
- to continually seek cost savings and efficiencies in the project which will lower the final overall net costs;
- to canvass Member States, Sector Members and Associates to sponsor aspects of this project (such as rooms, furniture items, ICT Discovery or decor);
- to consider the future introduction of flexible working in addition to the open space working principle which is essential for the implementation of the project;
- 8 to assess further the cost of a 4-way divisible main conference room of 500 seats;
- 9 to finance the Montbrillant refurbishment from the Consolidated Building Fund, savings and efficiencies;
- to negotiate with the Host Country favourable treatment of existing loans on assets that are to be disposed of;
- to conduct at an appropriate time towards the completion of the project a further independent market value study of the Tower, taking into account the prestigious and unique location of the building;
- to negotiate with the Host County renewable commercial land rights to the Tower, noting that this would maximise the sale value of the Tower;
- to offset total final project costs by applying all proceeds from the sale of the Tower to existing loans on assets that are to be disposed of, to the necessary costs associated with the sale, and to reduce to the maximum the outstanding amount of the loan;
- to report to Council on the progress on implementation of the project, including any updates to projected total project costs.

Ref.: Documents <u>C16/119</u> and <u>C16/124</u>.

DECISION 619 (C19, LAST AMENDED C21)

Headquarters Premises

The ITU Council,

recalling

Resolution 212 (Dubai, 2018) on the Union's future headquarters premises over the long term and Council Decision 588 on Headquarters Premises,

recalling further

Resolution 212 *recalling* c) v) to offset the total final project costs by applying all proceeds from the sale of the Tower to existing loans on assets that are to be disposed of, to the necessary costs associated with the sale, and to reduce to the maximum the outstanding amount of the loan,

noting with appreciation

the efforts made by the ITU management and the BPD (Building Project Division) to optimise costs in order to reduce the overall cost of the new ITU Headquarters,

having considered

the report of the Secretary-General contained in document C19-ADD/2,

mindful

of the concerns of Member States with moving meetings of the ITU outside of Geneva for the duration of the demolition and early construction phase as national representations in Geneva have the human resources to attend ITU meetings while such resources are not necessarily available in all countries, and similar concerns expressed by ITU Staff who should not be expected to relocate outside of their Geneva homes for extended periods in order to cover the high number of meetings scheduled by the ITU but possibly hosted outside Geneva,

decides

- to approve continuing the project to replace the Varembé building and Tower with a new building which, with the existing Montbrillant building, will form the new Geneva Headquarters of the Union;
- to approve the final direct project cost of CHF 170,139,000, as described in C19-ADD/2, financed entirely by the available funding of CHF 150,000,000 host country loan, CHF 15,140,000 sponsorships and donations, and CHF 5,000,000 new building fund;

- to provide an additional financial cushion for the non-mitigated risks up to CHF 12,600,000, which represents the cumulative limit of 8% of the current estimates of direct costs described in C19-ADD/2, through the creation of a Risk Register Fund to be financed by subsequent Council decisions beginning in 2020, in accordance with the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules;
- 4 that, as of the date of adoption of this decision, any future sponsorships or donations will only be accepted by ITU after:
- the proposed change order to the design is evaluated by the ITU management and BPD to assess the amount of all indirect costs (including Architect's fees, Building Management Consultant fees, General Contractor fees, etc.), all net direct costs, and the impact on the project schedule;
- the prospective sponsor agrees to pay for all these increased direct and indirect project costs as part of its sponsorship or donation; and
- BPD determines that the sponsorship or donation will not create further delays to the project;
- to approve the funding to cover indirect project costs of up to CHF 2,275,000 for the period 2021-2023 through measures outlined in the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules and recommend PP-22 to include CHF 2,315,000 within the draft financial plan for the period 2024-2027 for the Capital Fund;
- 6 to apply all proceeds from the sale of the Tower as per Resolution 212 recalling c) v),

instructs the Secretary-General

- to proceed with the request, to relevant Swiss authorities, for the second part of the CHF 150,000,000 loan;
- to establish the Risk Register fund in *decides* 3 above noting that any monies left in this account at the end of construction will be placed in the Reserve Account;
- 3 to address the need for temporary conference and meeting facilities during the demolition and early construction phase of the project by producing a list of the needs, including dates of conferences and meetings during this period and report to MSAG on the progress thereof;
- to continue the implementation of Council Decisions regarding the preservation of a Popov Room, including providing financial and legal analysis of options presented in paragraph 2.2.18.13 of the Summary record of the ninth and last Plenary Meeting of the 2019 ordinary session of Council (Document C19/120);
- to work with the Host Country to address the implementation of UNDSS requirements for UN MOSS compliance;

- to continue engaging with the Staff Council, to facilitate greater transparency and dialogue in the entire relocation and design process, ensuring morale, well-being, and effectiveness of staff in executing their responsibilities to the benefit of the Union;
- to create a *Staff Working Conditions Strategy and Implementation Plan* for the consideration of Council 2020, including putting in place measures to facilitate flexible work arrangement including plans to allow staff to work from home;
- 8 to provide quarterly briefings to the MSAG, including information related to updates of the Risk Register;
- 9 to conduct regular audits of the project;
- to continue to abide by the highest standards in terms of ethics and procurement in all bidding procedures organized throughout the project.

Ref.: Documents <u>C19-ADD/5</u> and <u>C19-ADD/6</u>; <u>C21/77</u>, <u>C21/99</u> and <u>DM-21/1017</u>.

RESOLUTION 1327 (C11)

ITU's role in ICTs and the empowerment of women and girls

The Council,

considering

- a) the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women, adopted on 18 December 1979 by the UN General Assembly, often described as an international bill of rights for women. Consisting of a preamble and 30 articles, it defines discrimination against women and sets up an agenda for national action to end such discrimination;
- b) the Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union Resolution 70 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) "Gender mainstreaming in ITU and promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women through information and communication technologies";
- c) the United Nations General Assembly Resolution 64/289, on system-wide coherence adopted on 21 July 2010, that established the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, known as "UN Women" with the mandate to promote gender equality and the empowerment of women;
- d) the Millennium Development Goal 3 "Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women" calling to eliminate gender disparity in primary and secondary education, preferably by 2005, and in all levels of education no later than 2015. The Millennium Declaration and Millennium Development Goals were embraced by all UN Member States;
- e) the United Nations Secretary-General during the sixty fourth General Assembly declared that "equality for women and girls is not only a basic human right it is a social and economic imperative. Where women are educated and empowered, economies are more productive and strong. Where women are fully represented, societies are more peaceful and stable.",

considering further

- a) the progress made by ITU, and in particular the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT), in the development and implementation of actions and projects that use ICTs for the economic and social empowerment of women and girls, as well as in increasing awareness of the links between gender issues and ICTs within the Union and among Member States and Sector Members;
- b) the results achieved by the Working Group on Gender Issues in promoting gender equality,

recognizing

- a) that society as a whole, particularly in the context of the information and knowledge society, will benefit from equal participation of women and men in policy-making and decision-making and equal access to communication services for both women and men;
- b) that information and communication technologies (ICTs) are tools through which gender equality and women's empowerment can be enhanced, and are integral to the creation of societies in which both women and men can substantively contribute and participate;
- c) that the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), namely the Geneva Declaration of Principles, the Geneva Plan of Action, the Tunis Commitment and the Tunis Agenda, outlined the concept of the information society and that continued efforts must be undertaken in this context to bridge the gender digital divide;
- d) that there are a growing number of women in the ICT field with decision-making power, including in relevant ministries, national regulatory authorities and industry, who could promote the work of ITU so as to encourage girls to choose a career in the field of ICT and foster the use of ICTs for the social and economic empowerment of women and girls,

recognizing further

- a) the progress achieved in raising awareness, both within ITU and among Member States, of the importance of integrating a gender perspective in all ITU work programmes and of increasing the number of women professionals in ITU, especially at the senior management level, while at the same time working towards the equal access of women and men to posts in the General Service category;
- b) the considerable recognition given to the work of ITU in gender and ICT within the UN family of organizations,

noting

- a) that Resolution 70 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) instructs the ITU Council to consider adopting the theme "Women and girls in ICT" to mark World Telecommunication and Information Society Day in 2012;
- b) that there is a need for ITU to investigate, analyze and further understand the impact of telecommunication/ICT technologies on women and men;
- c) that ITU should take the lead in establishing gender-relevant indicators for the telecommunication/ICT sector;
- d) that more work needs to be done to ensure that the gender perspective is included in all ITU policies, work programs, information dissemination activities, publications, study groups, seminars, workshops and conferences;
- e) that there is a need to foster participation of women in the ICT domain to provide input for further policy developments,

resolves

to include the theme "Women and Girls in ICT" among those addressed at the WSIS Forum 2012, and to approve it as the theme for the "2012 World Telecommunication and Information Society Day," in accordance with Resolution 68 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010);

to invite all Members States and Sector Members of the Union to establish and denote annually the international "Girls in ICT" day to be held on the fourth Thursday of April, when ICT companies, other companies with ICT departments, ICT training facilities, universities, research centers, and all ICT-related institutions are invited to organize an open day for girls, in order to include ICT as an educational and career opportunity for girls globally.

Ref.: Documents <u>C11/81</u> and <u>C11/86</u>.

RESOLUTION 1374 (C15)

Accelerating the Empowerment and Engagement of Youth through Telecommunication/Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

The Council,

considering

- a) that telecommunication/information and communication technologies (ICTs) are a tool through which youth can substantively contribute to, participate in, and leverage their social and economic development;
- b) that youth are digital natives and can be the best promoters of telecommunication/ICTs;
- c) that telecommunication/ICTs tools and applications can facilitate opportunities for youth and the ITU provides a unique environment in which youth can learn about these technologies and their applications in society,

recalling

- a) Resolution 76 (Dubai, 2014) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference, on promoting telecommunication/ICTs among young women and men for social and economic empowerment;
- b) Resolution 198 (Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on the empowerment of youth through telecommunication/information and communication technology;
- c) the Tunis Commitment of the 2005 phase of the World Summit on the Information Society, reaffirming Member States' commitment to empowering young people as key contributors to building an inclusive information society, to actively engage youth in innovative telecommunication/ICT-based development programmes, and widen opportunities for youth to be involved in e-strategy processes;
- d) the 2013 Costa Rica Declaration from BYND 2015: Global Youth Summit, which highlights employment and entrepreneurship, education, political inclusion, cybersecurity, health and environmental sustainability as areas young people themselves feel are most impacted through increased access to telecommunication/ICTs, and which was formally recognized by the 68th session of the United Nations General Assembly;

e) The report of the broadband commission task force on sustainable development: "Means of Transformation: Harnessing broadband for the post-2015 development agenda," which highlights the role that gaining ICT skills can play in promoting young women's empowerment in increasing their "access to life-enhancing health, education, financial and entrepreneurial support,"

recognizing

- all of the activities, as described in the Secretary General's report to Council 2015 (C15/91-E), conducted by the ITU to further the involvement of youth and ICTs, including:
- that in summer 2014, ITU launched the #PP14Youth initiative, aiming to build on the successful experiences of the BYND 2015 Summit, held in San José, Costa Rica in September 2013;
- the annual "Kaleidoscope" academic essay competition organized by the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T), targeting young ICT scientists, researchers and engineers;
- the ITU-TELECOM World "Young Innovators" competition hosted annually since 2011;
- ITU's coordination of the annual "Girls in ICT Day", which encourages young women to seek careers in ICT;
- the progress made by ITU, and in particular the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT), in the development and implementation of actions and projects that use ICT for the economic and social empowerment of youth;
- ITU's support to the United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth, its active involvement in the United Nations Inter-Agency Network on Youth Development and its contribution to the United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Youth;
- the Young ICT Policy Leaders initiative launched at the 2014 Plenipotentiary Conference, which
 gives young professionals the opportunity to participate, through national delegations, in ITU
 events and conferences;
- b) that Annex 1 in the Secretary-General's report to Council contains a roadmap for future youth activities at the ITU during the next four years;
- c) that Resolution 198 (Busan, 2014) instructs Council to:
- to build on the initiatives carried out over the past four years and to accelerate youth empowerment in ITU as a whole, within existing budgetary resources, so as to ensure capacity building and promotion of youth;
- to consider involving youth in the celebrations of ITU's 150th anniversary and in World Telecommunication and Information Society Day in accordance with Resolution 68 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, and launching a special recognition award for young people who make outstanding contributions in the field of ICT,

emphasizing

the importance of the work being done at ITU, and particularly in BDT, to help empower youth through telecommunication/ICTs by promoting policies that improve socio-economic conditions for youth, particularly in developing countries;

resolves

- to encourage ITU to continue and accelerate its engagement with young women and men, through outreach, capacity building, and other activities to promote innovation, entrepreneurship, and skills development, in particular through partnerships with academia, and implementation of the activities in Annex 1 to the Secretary-General's report to Council (C15/91-E), for example, by engaging a class in technology or law to sit in during a WTSA-16 or WRC-15 negotiation session, or other appropriate ITU meetings, with an ITU staff debrief following the session to discuss what happened and why;
- to give high priority to the increased incorporation of youth in the activities and conferences of the ITU;
- 3 to maintain and expand a youth perspective in the implementation of the ITU strategic plan and financial plan for 2016-2019 as well as in the operational plans of the Bureaux and the General Secretariat;
- 4 that all activities foreseen in this resolution should fall within the existing financial resources of the Union,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to continue to ensure that an increased youth perspective is incorporated in the work programmes and activities of ITU, in particular the ITU's 150th anniversary celebrations, and to continue its report to the ITU Council on ITU activities on youth and telecommunication/ICTs;
- to consider inclusion in its annual reports to the ITU Council the establishment of a theme for youth engagement activities for the following year to provide a focus for the activities of the ITU, Member States and Sector Members;
- to ensure coordination of ITU activities to implement the ITU's roadmap for activities in the period 2016 2018 to accelerate youth involvement at the ITU in telecommunication/ICTs so as to avoid duplication and overlap between the three ITU Sectors on these activities where possible;
- to strengthen, where possible, the role of Academia, within the structures of the Union, and its ability to increase the value for youth of engaging with ITU;
- to gather information on the most successful initiatives for young people, focusing on empowerment through telecommunications/ICTs, with a view to replicating them in each of the regions of Member States;
- to identify measures that would help countries to incorporate, in their public policy-making processes, a commitment to promote initiatives favoring youth participation in areas of greatest concern to young people, as reflected in the San José Declaration of 2013, the purpose of which was to gather observations and concerns of young people in today's global reality;
- 7 to consider establishing partnerships with other relevant organizations to complement existing initiatives and maximize the efficiency of available resources;

to establish a special fund to augment the financial resources of the Union for implementing measures relating to Resolution 198 (Busan, 2014), comprised of voluntary contributions from ITU Member States and Sector Members, as well as other relevant organizations such as non-profit foundations, funding bodies, etc.,

instructs the Directors of the Bureaux

to continue to explore ways and means to provide additional and increasingly meaningful opportunities to involve youth in the work of the Bureaux,

instructs the Council Working Group on Finance and Human Resources

to consider the creation of an ad hoc group within this Council Working Group dedicated to the consideration of youth in ICTs which could provide a venue for increased participation by youth in the activities of the ITU,

invites Member States and Sector Members

- to actively support and participate in the work of the ITU to promote the importance of youth engagement at the ITU in telecommunication/ICTs and to assist in identifying how that engagement can be expanded, through for example, meaningful youth participation in the celebration of the ITU's 150th anniversary and participation in the activities identified in Annex 1 to the Secretary-General's report to Council (C15/91-E);
- to continue to foster collaboration with civil society and the private sector to promote mentoring programs and specialized, up-to-date training for young innovators on telecommunication/ICT use that will assist in their understanding of and meaningful participation in the work of the ITU;
- 3 to develop tools and guidelines, in cooperation with relevant international organizations that have experience in youth empowerment, for youth projects and programmes related to telecommunication/ICTs and to assist and grow youth participation in ITU activities;
- 4 to consider releasing professionals to work for 12 or 24 months in secondment, junior professional, or other such programmes, to support the implementation of this resolution and Resolution 198 (Busan, 2014),

invites Member States

- to share best practices on national approaches to accelerating youth involvement with telecommunication/ICTs related activities and programs that could serve as a model for similar work in other countries or at the ITU;
- to consider adopting a youth delegate programme for the inclusion of young delegates, taking into account gender balance, in a country's official delegation to major conferences of the ITU to raise awareness and knowledge of ITU activities, promote interest in telecommunication/ICTs among youth, and directly contribute to the implementation of this resolution;
- 3 to promote voluntary initiatives and professional practices in organizations, enterprises and governments to create a practical approach to facilitate telecommunications/ICTs as a platform to empower the economic and productive development of young people,

invites Academia

- to continue providing the necessary opportunities for effective and increased engagement with youth, through access to relevant information, providing fellowships, and recognition of youth for participation in ITU activities;
- to involve young lecturers and researchers, where possible, as well as students in relevant ITU activities and to empower their effective participation in those activities;
- 3 to strengthen measures to promote the study of innovative scientific and technological careers from the gender perspective, which will include programmes and courses at primary and secondary schools as well as at the university level.

Ref.: Documents C15/124 and C15/114.

RESOLUTION 1379 (C16, last amended C23)

Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations (EG-ITRs)

The ITU Council,

considering

- a) Article 25 of the ITU Constitution, on World Conferences on International Telecommunications (WCIT);
- b) No. 48 in Article 3 of the ITU Convention, on other conferences and assemblies;
- c) Resolution 146 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on Periodic review and revision of the International Telecommunication Regulations;
- d) Resolution 4 (Dubai, 2012) of the World Conference on International Telecommunications, on periodic review of the International Telecommunication Regulations,

recalling

- a) 2016 Council created an Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations that pursuant to its terms of reference prepared a final report on the review of the 2012 ITRs subsequently submitted to the 2018 Plenipotentiary Conference;
- b) 2019 Council re-convened an Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations that pursuant to its terms of reference prepared a final report on the review of the 2012 ITRs subsequently submitted to the 2022 Plenipotentiary Conference,

resolves

- that an Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations (EG-ITRs), open to the ITU Member States and Sector Members, be reconvened to continue consideration of issues relating to the ITRs, including their review, with the Terms of Reference shown in Annex 1 of this resolution;
- that the Group has a Chairman and six Vice-Chairmen, one from each ITU region, nominated by Council and taking into account competency and qualification as well as enhancing gender balance;
- that the EG-ITRs shall prepare a progress report to the annual sessions of the Council;
- that the EG-ITRs shall prepare a final report to the 2026 session of the Council for submission of the report to the 2026 Plenipotentiary Conference with the Council's comments;
- that the General Rules of conferences, assemblies, and meetings of the Union and Rules of procedure of the Council related to working groups of the Council shall apply to the Group;
- that where required, to provide interpretation in the six ITU official languages, captioning and transcription;
- that all the output documents of meetings of the Group shall be made publicly available consistent with the ITU's document access policy, and that all input documents shall be made publicly available subject to the decision of the submitter;
- that the EG-ITRs should meet preferably physically as part of the cluster of Council Working Group meetings,

instructs the Secretary-General

to make necessary arrangements to implement this resolution,

instructs the Directors of the Bureaux

- each within their field of competence, with advice from the relevant advisory group, to contribute to the activities of the EG-ITRs, recognizing that the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector has most of the work relevant to the ITRs;
- 2 to submit the results of their work to the EG-ITRs;
- 3 to consider providing fellowships, where resources are available, for developing¹ and least developed countries according to the list established by the United Nations, in order to widen participation in the expert group,

invites Member States and Sector Members

to participate in and contribute to the activities of EG-ITRs.

Annex: 1

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These include the least developed countries, small island developing states, landlocked developing countries and countries with economies in transition.

ANNEX

Terms of Reference of the Expert Group on the International Telecommunication Regulations (EG-ITRs)

- On the basis of contributions submitted by Member States, Sector Members and inputs from the Directors of the Bureaux if necessary, the EG-ITRs shall continue to review the ITRs.
- Taking into consideration the work of the previous two Expert Groups, the review may consider, among others:
- a) new trends in telecommunications/ICT and emerging issues in international telecommunications/ICT environment which may impact the ITRs,
- b) empirical data on the current use of the ITRs by operating agencies and/or administrations and the proportion of global telecommunication services which now rely on the ITRs, and
- c) the relevance of the ITRs which "consist of high-level guiding principles" in the current telecommunication/ICT environment.
- The EG-ITRs will present a progress report reflecting all views on the ITRs review to Council 2024 and Council 2025, and a final report to Council 2026 for examination and submission to the 2026 Plenipotentiary Conference with the Council's comments.

Ref.: Documents <u>C16/119</u>, <u>C16/125</u>; <u>C19/139</u>, <u>C19/117</u>; <u>C23/12</u>, <u>C23/66</u>, <u>C23/73</u>, <u>C23/77</u>, <u>C23/88</u>, <u>C23/DT/5</u>, <u>C23/109</u> and <u>C23/121</u>.

RESOLUTION 1386 (C17)

ITU Coordination Committee for Terminology (ITU CCT)

The Council,

recalling

- a) Resolution 154 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on the use of the six official languages of the Union on an equal footing;
- b) Resolution 1372 of the Council, as revised at its 2016 session, which notes the work accomplished by the ITU-R Coordination Committee for Vocabulary (CCV) and the ITU-T Standardization Committee for Vocabulary (SCV) on the adoption and agreement of terms and definitions in the field of telecommunications/information and communication technologies (ICTs) in all six official languages of the Union;
- c) the decisions of the Council centralizing the editing functions for languages in the General Secretariat (Conferences and Publications Department), calling upon the Sectors to provide the final texts in English only (this applies also to terms and definitions);

- Resolution ITU-R 36-4 of the ITU Radiocommunication Assembly on coordination of vocabulary;
- e) Resolution 67 (Rev. Hammamet, 2016) of the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly on use in the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector of the languages of the Union on an equal footing,

considering

- a) the Report of the ITU Council Working Group on Languages (CWG-LANG) submitted to and adopted by the 2017 session of the Council (Document C17/12);
- b) that in Resolution 67 (Rev. Hammamet, 2016) WTSA resolved that the Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group (TSAG) and the Radiocommunication Advisory Group (RAG) should consider the feasibility of establishing a joint working body within ITU to deal with issues of vocabulary and use of all six languages of the Union on an equal footing, and to report to their respective assemblies;
- c) that all the advisory groups at their meetings in 2017 expressed support for the creation of a joint "ITU Coordination Committee for Vocabulary",

considering further

- a) that the Council in Resolution 1372 (Modified 2016) resolved to continue the work of the Council Working Group on Languages (CWG-LANG), in order to monitor progress and report to the Council on the implementation of Resolution 154 (Rev. Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference;
- b) that it is important for the work of ITU, and in particular of the Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R), to liaise with other interested organizations about terms and definitions, graphical symbols for documentation, letter symbols and other means of expression, units of measurement, etc., with the objective of standardizing such elements, etc.;
- c) the difficulty of achieving agreement on definitions when more than one study group is involved, especially in different Sectors;
- d) that ITU is collaborating with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) in order to provide and maintain an internationally agreed vocabulary of telecommunications/ICT and in order to provide internationally agreed graphical symbols for diagrams and for use on equipment, and approved rules for the preparation of documentation and for item designation;
- e) that ITU is collaborating with IEC (TC 25) in order to provide internationally agreed letter symbols and units, etc.;
- f) that there is a continuing need for the publication of terms and definitions appropriate to the work of ITU;
- g) that unnecessary or duplicated work can be avoided by effective coordination and adoption of all work on vocabulary and related subjects carried out by ITU study groups;
- h) that the long-term objective of the terminology work must be the preparation of a comprehensive vocabulary of telecommunications/ICT in the official languages of ITU,

recognizing

the work accomplished by the ITU-R CCV and ITU-T SCV on the adoption and agreement of terms and definitions in the field of telecommunications/ICTs in all six official languages of the Union,

resolves

- that the joint ITU Coordination Committee for Terminology (CCT) should consist of ITU-R CCV functioning in accordance with Resolutions ITU-R 34-4, 35-4 and 36-4, ITU-T SCV functioning in accordance with WTSA-16 Res.67 (Rev. Hammamet, 2016), and representatives of ITU-D, in close collaboration with the secretariat, pending decision of RA-19 and WTSA-20;
- that the ITU-R and ITU-T study groups, within their terms of reference, should continue their work on technical and operational terms and their definitions in English only;
- that the work of standardizing vocabulary within ITU will be based on proposals submitted by the study groups in English, with discussion and adoption of the translations into the other five official languages as submitted by the ITU General Secretariat, and that this will be the responsibility of the ITU CCT, comprising experts with command of the various official languages and persons designated by interested administrations and other participants in the work of ITU, working in close collaboration with the ITU General Secretariat (Conferences and Publications Department) and the editors in the Bureaux;
- 4 that, where more than one ITU study group is defining the same term and/or concept, efforts should be made to select a single term and a single definition which is acceptable to all of the study groups concerned;
- that, when selecting terms and preparing definitions, study groups shall take into account the established use of terms and existing definitions in ITU, in particular those included in the online ITU Terms and Definitions database;
- 6 that ITU-R CCV will continue to review and revise where necessary the existing Recommendations of the V series; new and revised Recommendations should be adopted by ITU-R CCV and submitted for approval in accordance with Resolution ITU-R 1, through the Director of BR;
- that the relevant Bureau should collect all new terms and definitions proposed by ITU study groups in consultation with the ITU CCT and enter them in the online ITU Terms and Definitions database;
- 8 that ITU CCT should work in close collaboration with CWG-LANG;
- 9 that the Radiocommunication Assembly and the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly should nominate a Chairman and six Vice-Chairmen, each representing one of the official languages from each Sector; if two chairmen are nominated by both Sectors they shall act as co-chairmen of ITU CCT;
- that the World Telecommunication Development Conference should appoint two vice-chairmen to represent ITU-D in ITU CCT,

instructs the Secretary-General, in close coordination with the Directors of the Bureaux and in consultation with the Council Working Group on Languages,

- to provide ITU CCT with all relevant information and assistance;
- 2 to monitor the quality of translation and associated costs.

Ref.: Documents C17/127 and C17/128.

RESOLUTION 1408 (C22, last amended C23)

Assistance and support to Ukraine for rebuilding their telecommunication sector

The ITU Council,

recalling

- a) the noble principles, purpose and objectives enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, as well as in the Declaration of Principles adopted by the World Summit on the Information Society;
- b) the efforts of the United Nations to promote sustainable development;
- c) the purposes of the Union as enshrined in Article 1 of the ITU Constitution, Convention, and Administrative Regulations of the ITU and the underlying principles that motivate these purposes and the Union,

recalling further

- a) United Nations General Assembly Resolution <u>A/RES/ES-11/1</u> of 2 March 2022 on Aggression Against Ukraine, that deplores in the strongest terms the aggression by the Russian Federation against Ukraine in violation of Article 2 (4) of the Charter and urges international organizations to support the deescalation of the current situation, and all other resolutions adopted at the eleventh emergency special session of the UN General Assembly;
- b) 2018 ITU Plenipotentiary Conference Resolution 34, on Assistance and support to countries in special need for rebuilding their telecommunication sector;
- c) the United Nations General Assembly Resolution $\underline{68/262}$ of 27 March 2014 entitled "Territorial integrity of Ukraine";
- d) Resolution 205 (Rev.WRC-19) of the World Radiocommunication Conference on protection of systems operating in the mobile satellite service in the frequency band 406-406.1 MHz;
- e) the ITU Interim Assessment on Damages to Telecommunications Infrastructure and Resilience of the ICT Ecosystem in Ukraine (December 2022);
- f) the statement by the ITU Secretary-General on the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2014 (document PP-14/174, Annex B) and statement by the ITU Secretary-General in the ITU Operational Bulletin No. 1158 of 15.10.2018;
- g) Resolution 88 (Kigali, 2022) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference on the ITU Partner2Connect Digital Coalition;
- h) Resolution 25 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on strengthening the ITU regional presence,

reaffirming

- a) the sovereignty, independence, unity, and territorial integrity of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders, extending to its territorial waters;
- b) that a reliable telecommunication network is indispensable for promoting the socio-economic development of countries, in particular those having suffered from natural disasters, domestic conflicts or war;
- c) that, under the current conditions and in the foreseeable future, Ukraine will need assistance to recover its telecommunications sector in general and infrastructure in particular to an acceptable level, which requires the assistance of the international community, provided bilaterally, regionally, or through international organizations,

reiterating the ITU commitment

to "promote the adoption of measures for ensuring the safety of life through the cooperation of telecommunication services",

expressing grave concern

- a) over the devastating impact that the war against Ukraine has on the operation of telecommunication facilities and services in Ukraine, including widespread destruction of critical infrastructure, and on the exercise of Ukraine's sovereign right to regulate telecommunications within its territory;
- b) over the Russian Federation's persistent disregard since 2014 of the international principles for the functioning of public telecommunications networks by changing unilaterally the international numbering system and the national numbering system of Ukraine;
- c) over the illegal seizure and subsequent misuse of Ukrainian telecommunication networks, ICT resources and radiofrequency spectrum in the territories of Ukraine that, in part, are or have been under the temporary military control of the Russian Federation;
- d) over the increase of the number of unauthorized emissions from the territories of Ukraine that, in part, are or have been under the temporary military control of the Russian Federation, since the beginning and as a result of the war started by the Russian Federation, that cause harmful interference to the reception of satellite emergency position-indicating radio beacons signals in mobile-satellite service used for search and rescue activities,

highlighting

that the actions taken by the Russian Federation stand in contradiction to the fundamental principles of the Constitution, Convention and Administrative Regulations of the ITU, and undermine the ITU's mission to promote digital connectivity worldwide,

reiterates

the sovereign right of each ITU member to regulate its telecommunications within its internationally recognized borders,

resolves to instruct the Directors of the three Bureaux

- to provide and present detailed regular reports assessing Ukraine's immediate, medium- and long-term ICT reconstruction needs resulting from the Russian Federation's invasion at subsequent Council meetings and future ITU conferences, until the withdrawal of all Russian Federation's military forces from the territory of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders, and until the reconstruction of the telecommunication and media infrastructure in those areas that suffered is complete, and to prepare proposals for effective technical assistance;
- 2 to provide assistance and full support to Ukraine for rebuilding its damaged and destroyed telecommunications and television infrastructure, supporting the ICT/telecommunications, and promoting digitalization for recovery and sustainable development;
- to review and prevent publication of information in any ITU documents, submitted by the Russian Federation, regarding the assignment of frequencies or National Destination Code (NDC) under the country code of the Russian Federation "7" for the territories that, in part, are or have been under the temporary military control of the Russian Federation;
- 4 to ensure adequate financial and human resources mobilization, including under the internal budget and the Information and Communication Technology Development Fund, for the implementation of the proposed actions;
- 5 to continue using the Partner2Connect mechanism, collecting pledges and commitments of stakeholders,

instructs the Secretary-General

to coordinate the activities carried out by the three Sectors of the Union in accordance with *resolves* above, to ensure that the Union's action in favour of Ukraine is as effective as possible,

invites Member States

- to support the Government of Ukraine on a bilateral level or in coordination with the Union, as indicated above;
- to respond to the call for pledges under Partner2Connect Initiative;
- 3 to provide financial contribution to the Special Fund;
- 4 to cooperate in the direction of implementation of infrastructure projects in order to rebuild the telecommunications sector of Ukraine and improve Connectivity.

Ref.: Documents <u>C22/81</u>, <u>C22/84</u>, <u>C22/86</u>, <u>C22/89</u>, <u>C22/95</u>; <u>C23/59</u>, <u>C23/92</u>, <u>C23/101</u>, <u>C23/108</u> and <u>C23/122</u>.

RESOLUTION 1416 (C23)

World Telecommunication and Information Society Day 2024 and 2025

The ITU Council,

considering

Resolution 68 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) from the Plenipotentiary Conference, that invites the Council to adopt, for each World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD), a specific theme relating to the main challenges which the changing telecommunication/ICT environment poses for both developed and developing countries,

recalling

the United Nations General Assembly Resolution 60-252 that decided to proclaim 17 May annual World Information Society Day to help to raise awareness of the possibilities that the use of the Internet and other information and communication technologies (ICTs) can bring to societies and economies, as well as of ways to bridge the digital divide,

taking into account

the proposals submitted by the Member States on possible themes for WTISD,

recognizing

- a) that Sustainable Digital Transformation is one of the Union's Strategic Goals approved by the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2022¹, to foster equitable and inclusive use of telecommunications/information and communication technologies (ICTs) to empower people and societies for sustainable development;
- b) that innovation is key to achieving sustainable telecommunication/ICT development and reducing the digital divide to promote more inclusive and equal societies;
- c) that although over the past 25 years, gender issues have become more prominent within ITU's work, and efforts to raise awareness and boost the participation of women and girls in the ICT sector have visibly increased, gender equality in the ICT sector still remains an ongoing challenge to fulfil ITU's mandate of extending the benefits of new technologies to all the world's inhabitants,

resolves

- that the theme for the World Telecommunication and Information Society Day 2024 will be "Digital innovation for sustainable development"; and
- that the theme for the World Telecommunication and Information Society Day 2025 will be "Gender equality in digital transformation".

Ref.: Documents C23/17, C23/DT/4, C23/109 and C23/114.

¹ Resolution 71 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022)

DECISION 576 (C13)

Consideration of the possible role of ITU as Supervisory Authority of the International Registration System for Space Assets Under the Space Protocol

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recognizing

- a) Article I of the ITU Constitution defines the purposes of the Union;
- b) that at the diplomatic Conference, held in Berlin in 2012 under the auspices of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law ("UNIDROIT"), the Plenipotentiaries adopted the Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters specific to Space Assets (the "Space Protocol");
- c) that the Space Protocol will not come into force until a minimum of ten States become parties;
- d) that the diplomatic Conference also adopted Resolution 1 to establish, pending the entry into force of the Protocol, a Preparatory Commission to act with full authority as Provisional Supervisory Authority for the establishment of the International Registry for space assets, under the guidance of the General Assembly of UNIDROIT and Resolution 2 inviting the governing bodies of the ITU to consider the matter of the ITU becoming Supervisory Authority of the International Registration System for Space Assets under the Space Protocol, upon or after the entry into force of the Protocol, and to inform UNIDROIT accordingly,

considering

- a) the matter of whether or not the ITU could become the Supervisory Authority will be considered by a ITU Plenipotentiary Conference;
- b) notwithstanding a), the Council in its 2012 session has authorized the Secretary-General to participate in the work of the Preparatory Commission as an observer to obtain information that will assist the Plenipotentiary Conference in its deliberations;
- c) the ITU Council, in its 2011, 2012, and 2013 sessions, has sought clarification from the ITU Secretary-General regarding the implications of the ITU taking on the role of the Supervisory Authority, including its impact on the rights of Member States and Sector Members, and the ITU Secretary-General has been reporting its findings to the Council,

decides

to authorize the Secretary-General to continue to express interest in the ITU becoming the Supervisory Authority, upon or after the entry into force of the Protocol, and to authorize the Secretary-General or his representative to continue to participate in the work of the Preparatory Commission as an observer,

instructs the Secretary-General

- to submit to Council-2014 and the next Plenipotentiary Conference a report on the outcomes of the Preparatory Commission and the financial, juridical and technical implications of the ITU taking on the role of the Supervisory Authority, taking into account developments of the Preparatory Commission up to that time and addressing the clarifications sought by Council referenced in *considering c*);
- to report on financial implications of its participation in the meetings of the Preparatory Commission as well as on any financial implications of the ITU serving as the Supervisory Authority upon or after the entry into force of the Protocol;
- 3 to identify mechanisms by which ITU Member States and Sector Members can review or provide comment on the ITU role as the Supervisory Authority.

Ref.: Documents <u>C13/107</u> and <u>C13/121</u>.

DECISION 631 (C23)

Decision on the implementation of Resolution 70 on "Mainstreaming a gender perspective in ITU and promoting gender equality and empowerment of women and girls through telecommunications/information and communication technologies"

The ITU Council,

Considering

- a) Resolution 70 on "Mainstreaming a gender perspective in ITU and promoting gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls through telecommunications/information and communication technologies";
- b) Resolution 70/1 of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), on Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 5 "Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls";
- c) Resolution 7 (Valletta, 1998) of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC) by the Plenipotentiary Conference in its Resolution 70 (Minneapolis, 1998), in which the conference resolved, inter alia, to incorporate a gender perspective in the implementation of all programmes and plans of ITU;
- d) Resolution 55 (Rev. Geneva, 2022) of the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly, which encourages mainstreaming a gender perspective in the activities of the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T);

- e) Resolution 55 (Rev. Kigali, 2022) of WTDC, resolving that the Telecommunication Development Bureau (BDT) should maintain close links and collaborate, as appropriate, with the ITU Gender Task Force, set up by the Secretary-General to support gender mainstreaming in the Union's activities, with the aim of eliminating inequalities in access to and use of telecommunications/information and communication technologies (ICTs);
- f) Resolution 1327 adopted by the ITU Council at its 2011 session, on ITU's role in ICTs and the empowerment of women and girls;
- g) Resolution 1187 adopted by the ITU Council at its 2001 session on Gender Perspective in ITU Human Resource Management, Policy and Practice;
- h) the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Agreed Conclusions 1997-2, and ECOSOC Resolution 2012/24, on incorporating and mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system, which welcomed the development of the United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-SWAP);
- i) UNGA Resolution 70/125, on the outcome document of the UNGA high level meeting on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), as well as the preamble to the WSIS+10 Statement on the implementation of WSIS outcomes, which reaffirmed the importance of promoting and maintaining gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls and guaranteeing the inclusion of women in the emerging global ICT society, taking into account the mandate of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women);
- j) the Declaration on Promoting Gender Equality, Equity and Parity in the ITU Radiocommunication Sector, approved at the World Radiocommunication Conference (Sharm el-Sheikh, 2019);
- k) the Report of the Secretary-General "Our Common Agenda", on taking measures of serious and urgent social and regulatory questions with respect to the "exacerbation of gender bias and male default thinking when women do not have an equal role in designing digital technologies, as well as digital harassment that has particularly targeted women and girls and pushed many women out of the public conversation";
- *I)* the Road map for Digital Cooperation: implementation of the recommendations of the High-level Panel on Digital Cooperation (A/74/821), on the call upon the private sector, civil society, national Governments, multilateral banks and the United Nations to adopt specific policies to support full digital inclusion and digital equality;
- m) the agreed conclusions adopted by the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixty-seventh session, on innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls,

Taking into account

that the Plenipotentiary Conference (Bucharest, 2022) adopted Resolution 70 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) on "Mainstreaming a gender perspective in ITU and promoting gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls through telecommunications/information and communication technologies", which instructs the Council:

- "to accord high priority to monitoring the implementation of Gender Equality and Mainstreaming Policy (GEM), so that ITU can integrate a gender perspective throughout the organization and leverage the power of telecommunications/ICTs to empower women, girls, men and boys";
- "to continue and expand existing initiatives, and to accelerate the gender mainstreaming
 process, including through affirmative measures when necessary, in ITU as a whole, within
 existing budgetary resources, so as to ensure capacity building, skills development and the
 appointment of women to senior-level positions, including ITU elected positions, and also in
 recruitment for internships";
- 3. "to allocate resources within ITU's budget to facilitate the implementation of this resolution to the fullest extent possible";
- 4. "to examine the possibility for ITU, in close collaboration with relevant regional organizations, to take appropriate measures to establish a regional platform for women, devoted to using ICTs in order to promote gender equality and empowerment of women and girls",

recalling

- a) that ITU has already set up an internal task force on gender issues in 1998 (Resolution 7 adopted in the WTDC in La Valetta) that was tasked, amongst other things, with "ensuring that the benefits of telecommunications and the emerging information society are made available to all women, girls, men and boys in developing countries on a fair and equitable basis", "encouraging the recruitment, employment, training and advancement of women and girls;"
- b) that ITU also created the position of Senior Gender Affairs Officer (SGAO) and adopted in 2013 a Gender Equality and Mainstreaming Policy (GEM) that provides for a framework architecture in the organization,

acknowledging the need

a) for gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls and women's full, equal, effective and meaningful participation and decision-making in the context of innovation and technological change in the digital age and freedom from violence against women and girls in the digital contexts as essential to achieve sustainable development;

- b) for strengthening the gender architecture (Under Resolution 70 (Rev. Bucharest, 2022) the Council is tasked with "monitoring the implementation of GEM, so that ITU can integrate a gender perspective throughout the organization and leverage the power of telecommunications / ICTs to empower women, girls, men and boys". It also requests the ITU Council to "continue and expand existing initiatives, and to accelerate the gender mainstreaming process, including through affirmative measures when necessary";
- c) for a leadership that promotes gender equality and women and girl's empowerment as an integral part of their appointment and performance assessment, and reinforcement of an institutional 'gender equality culture' that fosters a safe and welcoming environment for all employees and partners;
- d) for increasing senior management accountability to the Council and demonstrate a One-ITU approach to both external and internal gender related activities;
- e) for improving the accessibility of data and statistics disaggregated by income, gender, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status disability geographic location and other characteristics as described in SDG 17.18 through a new data policy guideline that will allow for a better monitoring and evaluation of the situation of all women across their lifecycles and on the multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination as obstacles to the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in the context of innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age;
- f) to ensure the full, equal and meaningful participation and leadership of women in the digital and technology sectors and the development and implementation of policies to support of women led enterprises to reduce the gender digital divide;
- g) for adopting gender-responsive age- and disability-inclusive approaches for technology design, development of infrastructure, products and services based on accessibility, safety, sustainability, inclusivity, affordability and availability and catering to the needs of all women and girls throughout course of their lives,

recalling

- a) the importance of ensuring the mainstreaming a gender perspective within the budgetary matters, in particular of increasing the budget for the support of GEM and the SGAO;
- b) that in the process of gender mainstreaming, it is important to address the issue of harassment in the workplace, including sexual harassment, bearing in mind that it impedes the achievement of gender parity in the United Nations system and in the ITU and can have a negative impact on the achievement of gender equality;
- c) that disaggregation of data by social and economic factors including but not limited to income, gender, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, geographical location and other relevant characteristics in order to facilitate better understanding of the impact of telecommunications/ICTs on the achievement of gender equality and be able to identify the root causes of gender disparities in ICT access and digital participation;

d) that gender-inclusive language was encouraged by the PP-22 in the work of the Union, to the extent practicable,

decides

- to request ITU to elaborate a Gender Action Plan to be presented to the Member States taking into account best practices in the United Nations system, that will include a reporting and coordination mechanism on all three sectors within ITU on gender related activities to the Member States;
- to create a functional unit on gender equality and empowerment of women and girls in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General using existing resources, working in collaboration with the other Bureaux staff and competencies, and by inviting Member States to make voluntary contributions through existing programs, with the goal of supporting the Secretary-General on gender equality and social inclusion in the institution, institutional capacity for gender based analysis, analysis of key emerging ICT related gender issues, and gender mainstreaming, the implementation of a gender perspective in ITU and promoting gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in, within, and through telecommunications / information and communication technologies,

recommends

- to use gender mainstreaming through the ITU project cycle and that the next WTDC studies this question in more detail including how ITU programming can address the digital gender gaps in, within and through STEAMD (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics and Design) education, careers and entrepreneurship; strengthen women's leadership development in the governance of international telecommunications, and prevent and address all forms of misuse of digital technologies and the spectrum, whether on land in the air on the sea or in space, in any way that leads to sexual and gender based violence, abuse and harassment, discrimination or violation of the rights of all women and girls, as these act as an impediment to leadership, participation and access for women and girls in ICTs and in all spheres of the digital age; developing targeted capacity-building programs that address the specific knowledge and skills needs and challenges faced by women in the ICT sector, particularly in developing countries;
- to encourage, to the extent practicable, the adoption of gender-inclusive language in the work of the Union,

invites the Secretary-General

to coordinate the development of a new Gender Action Plan for the organization based on prior consultation with Council Member States, and taking into account best practices in the UN system, build on prior strategic documents and focus on key issues, and provide a detailed set of policies within ITU including capacity building, skills development and human resources;

- to include in the Gender Action Plan procedures to address immediately and urgently the lack of gender-balanced representation in ITU staff, especially in the professional and senior categories, and to submit the said Gender Action Plan and procedures, together with information on their implementation, to Council 2024 to evaluate effectiveness, provide comments and further instructions;
- to put in place a reporting and coordination mechanism with detailed information and reports to be submitted back to the Council in order for Member States to be able to evaluate performance.

Ref.: Documents <u>C23/91(Rev.1)</u>, <u>C23/105</u> and <u>C23/125</u>.

DECISION 632 (C23)

Expert Group on Decision 482 (EG-DEC482)

The ITU Council,

considering

- a) Resolution 91 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on cost recovery for some ITU products and services;
- b) Decision 482 (C01, last amended C20) on the implementation of cost recovery for satellite network filings,

decides

to create an Expert Group on Decision 482 (EG-DEC482) with the Terms of Reference shown in Annex 1 of this Decision,

instructs the Secretary-General

to make the necessary arrangements to implement this Decision.

Annex: 1

ANNEX

Terms of Reference of the Council expert group on Decision 482

The terms of reference of the Council Expert Group on Decision 482 are as follows:

- 1. The Council Expert Group on Decision 482 shall, based on principles and guidelines provided in Resolution 91 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010), in particular *resolves* 4 vi), study the appropriateness or otherwise of any of the items listed below (derived from Annex 1 to Document C23/19), based on information provided by the Radiocommunication Bureau if requested and contributions submitted to its meetings.
 - a. In the case of non-receivable filings, the appropriateness or otherwise of charging a fraction of the amount of an equivalent receivable filing for such cases, taking into account the needs of developing countries.
 - b. Whether there are categories of filings for non-GSO satellite systems that, due to their complexity, should not be eligible to free entitlement.
 - c. Whether specific fees should be paid for processing submissions related to earth stations in motion, while avoiding double invoicing.
 - d. The cost of processing resubmissions of notification requests.
 - e. The costs associated with the BR's implementation of additional provisions: Resolutions 4 and 49, Nos. 11.32A (see footnote a), 11.41, 11.47, 11.49, Subsection IID of Article 9, Sections 1 and 2 of Article 13, Article 14. The Bureau is invited to provide information on the cases already submitted.
 - f. The costs of processing non-GSO filings having more than 75 000 units or, alternatively, whether the formula to compute units for such non-GSO satellite systems should take into account the impact of the number of different orbital altitudes, number of satellites, number of earth stations, or other characteristics affecting workload associated with the processing of non-GSO systems.
 - g. Consider the introduction of units in categories A1 and N4, with a different fee being charged for more complex or larger systems, depending on the number of units.
 - h. An additional fee for recovering the costs of epfd examination of coordination requests and notifications.
 - i. Consequences of modifications introduced by any WRC after WRC-2000, if any, to regulatory provisions governing the Space Plans.
 - j. The cost of dedicated resources needed to continually update and modernize the Bureau software applications used for satellite filings. However, satellite cost recovery should not be used to fund development of software tools for processing terrestrial filings.

- 2. It shall prepare an interim report containing recommendations for the possible revision of Decision 482 for submission to the 2024 session of the ITU Council.
- 3. The final report of the group shall be submitted to the 2025 session of the ITU Council for action and possible revision of Decision 482.
- 4. It shall be open to all ITU Member States and Sector Members and work in the English language. It should hold physical meetings with remote participation in conjunction with those of ITU-R Working Party 4A or Council working groups or any other relevant events, when possible.

Ref.: Documents <u>C23/19</u>, <u>C23/82</u>, <u>C23/DT/6</u>, <u>C23/104(Rev.1)</u>, <u>C23/112</u> and <u>C23/126</u>.

APPENDIX A

Numerical list of Resolutions of the Council of ITU

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R 10	Invitation of the IMO to the Aeronautical Radio Conference	1948
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R 34	Transfer of the Secretariat of the CCIF from Paris to Geneva	1948

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11 7 J	capital fund	19
R 50	Advances of funds by the Swiss Government	
R 51	Auditing of Union accounts	19
R 52	Settlement of sums in arrears at the end of 1946	
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R 59	Convening of an Administrative Radio Conference for Region 1	19
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R 62	Work of the Vth Meeting of the CCIR, Stockholm 1948	19
R 63	Sharing of the expenses of the Vth Meeting of the CCIR	19
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R 65	Publication of the documents of the Vth Meeting of the CCIR	19
R 66	Preparation of a special vocabulary of terms, symbols and abbreviations concerning radio technology	19
R 67	Vocabulary, technical symbols and universal decimal classification	19
R 68	Duties of the Vice-Director of the CCIR	19
R 69	Application of the provisions of Article 7 of the Atlantic City Convention to members of the IFRB	19
R 70	Languages of the IFRB	19
R 71	Determination of limits to the 9 and 11 Mc/s bands	19
R 72	Printing of the list of circuit requirement of the PFB	19
R 73	Dispatch to Administrations of minutes of the 12th Plenary Meeting of the PFB	19
R 74	Work of the PFB	19
R 75	Appointment of the future Director of the CCIT	19
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К /6	Countries which should be invited to participate in the Paris Telegraph and Telephone Conference, 1949
R 77	Convening of the Telegraph Regulations Revision Committee
R 78	Application of the new provisions of the Convention concerning Government telegrams
R 79	Application of the new provisions of the Convention regarding Government telephone calls
R 80	Rates for Government telegrams and unification of telegraph rates
R 81	Telegraph and telephone franking privileges for the General Secretariat
R 82	Rental of telecommunication circuits and possible establishment of specialized international telecommunication companies
R 83	Organization, financing and liquidation of the accounts of conferences and meetings
R 84	Use of additional oral working languages at conferences and meetings
R 85	Sharing of expenses of conferences and meetings when additional oral languages are used
R 86	Conditions for supply of notifications and circulars from 1st January 1949
R 87	Automatic dispatch as from 1 January 1949 to all Members and Associate Members of a copy of all documents published by the General Secretariat
R 88	Relations of the General Secretariat with States or administrations which are not Members of the Union
R 89	Application of the provisions of Article 1 of the Atlantic City Convention
R 90	Application of the provisions of Article 1, para. 2 c) of the Atlantic City Convention
R 91	Candidatures for the posts of Secretary-General and Assistant Secretary-General of the Union
R 92	Pension scheme for the staff of the Union
R 93	Pension system for the members of the IFRB
R 94	Pension system for the former personnel of the CCIF
R 95	Equipment for a simultaneous interpretation system
R 96	Participation of the UN in the sessions of the Council
R 97	Representation of the Union at meetings of the UN specialized agencies and other international organizations
R 98	Representation of the ITU at conferences of the UN and specialized agencies
R 99	Representation of the ITU at the 3rd Ordinary Session of the General Assembly of the UN
R 100	UN regulations for convening conferences
R 101	Exchange of documents between the ITU and the UN
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R 105	Issue of UN laissez-passer to officials of the ITU
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R 119	Application of the provisions of Article 1 of the Atlantic City Convention
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R 133	Allocation of the costs of Study Groups of the CCIR
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R 155	Meeting of a Committee of Region 1 countries outside Europe	1949
R 156	Administrative Radio Conference for Region 2, Washington, 1949	1951
R 157	Meeting of the high-frequency Broadcasting Conference in Florence	1949
R 158	Implementation of the high-frequency Broadcasting Plan	1949
R 159	Pension of Dr. F. von Ernst, Secretary-General of the Union	1949
R 160	Pensions of Dr. van der Pol, Director and Mr. L.W. Hayes, Vice-Director of the CCIR	1952
R 161	Pension for CCIF staff	1952
R 162	Allowance for increased cost-of-living for officials who retired before the end of 1948	1949
R 163	Employment of stateless persons	1954
R 164	Home leave for members of the IFRB	1949
R 165	Meteorological information on the world distribution of thunderstorms	1949
R 166	Frequency requirements for high-frequency Broadcasting of the State of Israel	1949
R 167	Patents	1949
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R 168	Preparation by the Council of proposals for the amendment of the Convention and	
11 100	General Regulations	1952
R 169	Application of Article 1 of the Convention	1952
R 170	Convocation of a conference or meeting of the Union by an inviting Government	1952
R 171	Distribution of working documents of the CCI's	1999
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R 174	Study of a new Question (No. 44) by the CCIR	1952
R 175	Preparation of the International Telecommunication Vocabulary	1951
R 176	Organization of the General Secretariat	1951
R 177	Circular telegrams to administrations	6.1
R 178	Procedure for the convening of extraordinary conferences and for changes of time or place of conferences	1952
R 179	Rules of procedure of administrative conferences	1952
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R 181	Printed matter supplementary budget	
R 182	Audit of the accounts of the Union for the period from 1st January 1949 to 31 July 1950	
R 183	Creation of the Finance Control Committee	
R 184	Financial conditions for the participation of certain international organizations in the meetings of the CCl's	1950
R 185	Contribution of the CIRM towards the expenses of the CCIR meeting in Stockholm and the Copenhagen Conferences in 1948	
R 186	Participation of the UIR in the expenses of the CCIR, Stockholm, 1948	
R 187	Exemption of the EBU from any share in the expenses of the high-frequency Broadcasting	
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R 214	Possibility of erecting a building for the Union in Geneva	19
R 215	Apportionment of the expenses arising from the abandonment of The Hague as the seat of the EARC	19
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R 216	Applications for Membership of the Union	
R 217	Compilation of a document relative to the Council	
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