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Question 26/16 deals with accessibility matters and has recently received information from the ITU‑T Focus Group on Audio Visual Accessibility (FG AVA) about the development of a new generation of hearing aids using a radio connection instead of an inductive system. These hearing aids will be very useful because they will provide reliable, high-quality connections to a variety of devices. Unfortunately, it appears that there is no suitable global allocation of radio spectrum. We understand that allocation of spectrum takes a considerable time but we would like to make you aware that there will soon be a need for a global allocation.

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