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Ministries of Telecoms/ICT
All Regulators
Telecoms/ICT Operators

Subject: Data collection in the framework of Connect Africa follow up.

Dear Sir/Madam

Reference is made to the Connect Africa Summit Goals 1 and 2 adopted by all stakeholders during the Summit held in October 2007 in Kigali, Rwanda

As you may recall, the goal 1 aims at 'Interconnecting the African major cities to broadband ICT networks by 2012' and the goal 2 are related to 'Connecting African villages to broadband ICT networks and services by 2015'. In this framework, ITU would like to collect data from its Members in order to review the progress achieved since the Summit and update the database on Connect Africa. This database will also serve to design **interactive broadband network maps** for all countries that will be made available on ITU's website for the Membership.

In this regard, the ITU would like to invite you to fill the attached questionnaire and provide an electronic version of your national transmission backbone map (see, an example of backbone map of Botswana in the questionnaire). In order to facilitate collaboration on this important matter, ITU would appreciate if you could designate a focal point on your side to work on the matter. We would be grateful if the attached questionnaire is filled in and returned to the ITU as soon as possible in order to allow us to conclude this activity effectively.

Shall you have any questions or need of any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the focal point, Mr Ali Drissa Badiel (tel +221 33 849 77 20 fax +221 33 822 80 13 and e-mail AliDrissa.Badiel@itu.int).

We thank you very much in anticipation for your kind collaboration and timely response.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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Regional Director

Enc: Questionnaire

