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RESOLUTION PLEN-2 (WRC-97)

**REGIONAL PREPARATIONS FOR WORLD
RADIOCOMMUNICATION CONFERENCES**

The World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 1997),

considering

- a) that many regional telecommunication organizations have coordinated their preparations for this Conference;
- b) that a number of common proposals have been submitted to this Conference from administrations participating in the preparations of regional telecommunication organizations;
- c) that this consolidation of views at regional level, together with the opportunity for interregional discussions prior to the Conference, has eased the task of reaching a consensus during the Conference;
- d) that the burden of preparation for future conferences is likely to increase;
- e) that there is consequently great benefit to the Members of the Union of coordination of preparations at regional level;
- f) that the success of future conferences will depend on greater efficiency of regional coordination and interaction at interregional level prior to future conferences;
- g) that some regional organizations lack the necessary resources to adequately organize and to participate in such preparations;
- h) that there is a need for overall coordination of the interregional consultations,

noting

- a) that at the World Telecommunication Development Conference (Buenos Aires, 1994) many regional telecommunication organizations expressed the need for the Union to cooperate more closely with regional telecommunication organizations;

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b) that consequently the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994) resolved that the Union should develop stronger relations with regional telecommunication organizations,

further noting

that in some regions the relationship with the ITU-R regional offices has proved to be of great benefit,

resolves to instruct the Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau

a) to consult the regional telecommunication organizations on the means by which assistance can be given to their preparations for future world radiocommunication conferences in the following areas:

- 1) organization of regional preparatory meetings;
- 2) information sessions;
- 3) development of coordination methods;
- 4) identification of major issues;
- 5) facilitation of regional and interregional meetings;
- 6) convergence of interregional views on major issues;

b) to submit a report on the results of the consultation to the Plenipotentiary Conference for consideration,

invites the Plenipotentiary Conference

to consider the report submitted by the Directors of BR and BDT and take appropriate measures to provide the necessary resources for BR and BDT to provide the necessary assistance to regional telecommunication organizations in the preparations for world radiocommunication conferences.
