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QUESTIONNAIRE - PART II

(To be completed by Administrations only)

General Questions on National Spectrum Management

Describe succinctly the problems that your administration is currently experiencing in national spectrum management (for example subject areas in national spectrum management).

Country Germany

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The following general questions on national spectrum management are based in part on the functional requirements of spectrum management described in the handbook on "National Spectrum Management." If you need additional space to answer the questions please continue on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Do you have a national law governing spectrum management? YES X NO __

- Last date this law was changed or modified? A new Law, 25 July 96

- Are any actions planned to change this law? YES __ NO X

Have any problems been identified? and if so, do you need any assistance from the ITU in solving them?

No

2. Have you published regulations and procedures for national spectrum management (e.g. radio services, license requirements etc.)? YES X NO __

Have any problems been identified? and if so, do you need any assistance from the ITU in solving them?

No

3. Do you have a national radio frequency spectrum allocation table? YES X NO __

Have any problems been identified? and if so, do you need any assistance from the ITU in solving them?

No

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4. Do you have technical specifications for national spectrum use? YES NO__

Have any problems been identified? and if so, do you need any assistance from the ITU in solving them?

No

5. Do you have a need for any spectrum redeployment* ? YES NO__

* The term "redemption" is used here to refer to a process of national scope in which an assessment is conducted 1) to determine if portions of spectrum can be identified that are in limited use; and 2) to determine if such spectrum segments can be reallocated for use in delivering radiocommunication services that have expanding spectrum requirements.

- If so, do you have a strategy for achieving this redeployment in respective frequency bands and for given radiocommunication services? YES__ NOT YET

- Please define the established strategy and describe the nature of the consultation, if any, with users regarding the potential costs resulting from the planned redeployment.

Redeployment strategies are in the course of elaboration

6. What is the total cost of national spectrum management functions performed by your Government (expressed in Swiss francs)? About 135 Mio SFR

- What is the source of the funding required to accomplish these spectrum management functions?

Basically on frequency fees based on granted frequency assignments (monthly), on frequency usage contributions (annually) and to some extent funds are required from taxes

- Do you have a method for establishing spectrum users' fees? YES NO__

- If so, please give a brief description of the method used in establishing those fees.

The Regulatory Authority for Telecommunications and Posts (RegTP) introduced (1996) a performance and accounting system (known by the acronym LKR). A module "expense record" allows the direct assignment of up coming costs with regard to the most important categories of costs. The expense record is carried out in form of a worksheet which has to be filled in by the employees who worked in the relevant performance range. The expense record contains on a daily basis precisely the duration of the period needed for the accomplishment of the specified tasks in the framework of a monthly evaluation. For further information see Document 1/37-E, Working Party 1B, Assen, 24 August, 1999.

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8. Do you maintain centralized_databases for spectrum management? YES__ NO X

- What is the approximate size of your database (expressed in number of records)? -----

- Do you have a computerized data base management system (DBMS)? YES X NO__

- What DBMS system do you use? Server based system (CS-System)

- Are these frequency assignment records available to public? YES__ NO X

Have any problems been identified? and if so, do you need any assistance from the ITU in solving them?

No

9. Do you notify frequency assignments to the ITU? YES X NO__

Have any problems been identified? and if so, do you need any assistance from the ITU in solving them?

No

10. Do you have a policy and planning function for national spectrum management (i.e. a national strategy for future use of the spectrum)? YES X NO__

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No

11. Do you perform technical analyses of frequency assignment requests? YES X NO__

Have any problems been identified? and if so, do you need any assistance from the ITU in solving them?

No

12. Do you perform radio monitoring? YES X NO__

- number of fixed monitoring stations eight (8)

- facilities available at fixed monitoring stations

-- monitoring up to 40.000 MHz (40 GHz)

-- direction finding up to 2.700 MHz (2,7 GHz)

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- number of mobile monitoring stations fourty (40)

- facilities available at mobile monitoring stations

-- monitoring up to 40.000 MHz (40 GHz)

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13. Do you perform technical analyses of radio frequency interference complaints? YES X NO __

- Do you have an established consultation process, involving Government and non-government organization, for resolving these complaints? YES __ NO X

Have any problems been identified? and if so, do you need any assistance from the ITU in solving them?

No

14. What computers and operating systems are in use for national spectrum management?

Type of computers PC based equipment

Operating system(s) MS Windows NT

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No

15. Number of technical/professional staff in national spectrum management?

about 900 (total)

16. Number of support staff in national spectrum management?) -----

17. Describe your country's spectrum management structure (Please enclose a copy of organization chart) see explanation

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18. Do you use the ITU-R Handbooks and Reports on:

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Questionnaire on national radio frequency spectrum management to seek information needed for responding to Resolution 9 of the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-98, Valetta);

Answer of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning **Part II**;

Dear Sir/Madame,

I have the pleasure to provide you with the completed Part II of the above mentioned question-naire asking general questions on national spectrum management. The answers describe the basic issues for the accomplishment of spectrum management in the Federal Republic of Germany.

In this respect we refer also to Part I of the Questionnaire which has been answered by the FM chairman, Mr Reiner Liebler, within the scope of the preparation of the European Allocation (ECA) Table (extract from ERC Report 25) as an outcome of ERC/CEPT activities. This Table reflects also the views of Germany.

I hope that this information will help in the preparation of a joint Radiocommunication and Telecommunication Development Sectors report in order to assist other administrations in their consideration of alternative strategies for national frequency spectrum use.

Yours faithfully,

Reiner Liebler

Annex

Questionnaire -Part II

of Administrative Circular

CA/71

Response to Question 17 of the ITU Administrative Circular CA/71, 2 November 1999

Spectrum Management Structure in the Federal Republic of Germany

1. Introduction

The German telecommunications sector is regulated by the Telecommunications Act of 25 July 1996, which aims to promote competition through regulation, and thereby guarantee appropriate and adequate services throughout the country, and provide for frequency regulation.

The Regulatory Authority for Telecommunications and Posts was set up on 1 January 1998 as a higher federal authority within the scope of business of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology. Its seat is in Bonn. The Regulatory Authority assumed the functions of the former Federal Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, which was dissolved at the end of 1997. The Federal Office for Posts and Telecommunications, previously responsible for tasks relating to the implementation of the Telecommunications Act, was also incorporated into the Regulatory Authority.

2. Performance of Frequency Regulation in Germany

In Germany, frequency regulation is based on the national table of frequency allocations, frequency usage plans, and frequency assignment procedures.

The performance of spectrum regulation functions, including charging licence fees, frequency fees for assigned frequencies and frequency usage contributions, is regulated by ordinances having the force of law. In terms of the Telecommunications Act, frequency regulation means ensuring effective, interference-free use of frequencies, with regard also to broadcasting requirements.

3. Organisation of the Frequency Regulation Branch in Germany

The Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology (Department VII, Bonn) and the Regulatory Authority (Department 1 (Telecommunications Regulation) and Department 3 (Technical Telecommunications Regulation) in Bonn and Mainz, and 51 regional offices throughout the country) are involved in the frequency regulation process. Frequency regulation is managed in Germany through a decentralised system.

Divisions 12, 13 and 31 of the Regulatory Authority are responsible for the basic issues concerning legal aspects of regulation, licences, principles of frequency regulation, frequency management, broadcasting frequencies and licences, and compatibility between radiocommunication services.

There are sections with overall responsibilities for all radiocommunication services. The performance of the tasks of the other sections is directly related to the various services' objectives. The following areas are each covered by one section: analogue broadcasting frequency and assignment matters; digital broadcasting; frequency regulation for mobile services; frequency regulation and frequency assignments for radio-relay systems; frequency assignment for PMR and satellite services; frequencies for mobile maritime and aeronautical services, inland waterways, amateur services, CB radio, radiocommunication operators' certificates, radio for authorities and organisations concerned with public safety and for railways; frequencies for the satellite, radiodetermination, and fixed services below 30 MHz and civil/military frequency coordination. Radio monitoring activities and regular frequency assignment tasks are mainly carried out by staff at the Regulatory Authority's regional offices; their locations throughout the country guarantee close contacts between the authority and its customers.

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