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STUDY GROUP 1

SOURCE: AFRICAN GROUP

TITLE: ORGANIZATION OF PARTICIPATION OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES IN THE
WORK OF THE STUDY GROUPS AND INVOLVEMENT IN REGIONAL
PRESENCE

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RESOLUTION 2 (PLEN-4) (WTDC-98)

RESOLUTION 3 (PLEN-1) (WTDC-98)

MEMORANDUM BY THE AFRICAN COUNTRIES

NOTE FROM ITU-D STUDY GROUP 1

1 Introduction

1.1 Section 5 of the Appendix to Resolution 3, on the terms of reference of ITU-D Study Groups 1 and 2, stresses the importance of appropriate coordination in work in progress within the BDT Secretariat, including the regional offices.

1.2 WTDC-98 adopted the Memorandum by the African countries and requested BDT to provide assistance to the African countries and to establish a mechanism to coordinate and monitor activities.

2 Recommendation

ITU-D Study Group 1 requests the Director of BDT:

- 2.1 To take all appropriate measures and steps to allow:
- a) the active Rapporteurs and Associate Rapporteurs to participate in the work and study of the Questions that fall within the purview of the Study Group and in regional/subregional meetings dealing with those Questions;
 - b) the Vice-Chairmen to participate in the activities of the Sector within the scope of the role and terms of reference of Study Groups 1 and 2, and to assist the Study Groups in preparing and organizing the regional and subregional meetings;
 - c) a work programme to be put forward in consultation with the Vice-Chairmen.
- 2.2 To submit to the Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998):
- a) a note on the activities of the regional and area offices;
 - b) a plan to restructure the offices so as to enable them to respond adequately and efficiently to the decentralized activities of the three Sectors.
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