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**Questionnaire**

1) The ITRs set many rules applicable to administrations and to recognized [private] operating agencies. There are also many operational details in the ITRs.

1.1 Taking into account that today many countries have liberalized the telecommunications sector and many Administrations do not themselves provide international telecommunication services, how can the Member States impose the observance of the detailed operational provisions upon Recognized Operating Agencies (ROA) and Operating Agencies (OA)<sup>1</sup>?

1.2 [Are operational rules [desirable/applicable] to the ROA and OA necessary in an international treaty?]

1.3 [In your country, how many operators are classified as ROA and how many as OA? If they are not so classified, would they be subject to the ITRs?]

1.4 In your opinion, which, if any, of the ITR provisions should be terminated, retained in the ITRs, transferred to the Constitution or Convention, or embodied in ITU Recommendations? Please provide any proposed draft text for amending the Constitution and/or Convention, if deemed appropriate.

2) Taking into account the *considering a)* through *f)* and *believing a)* and *b)* of Resolutions 121:

2.1 [Do you consider that the fast pace of change in the telecommunication environment makes the task of defining telecommunication rules difficult?]

2.2 [Do you consider that in many countries the national regulatory processes have been completed and that in some countries regulators have introduced only a minimum set of rules, considering that regulation is only needed where there is market failure? ]

2.3 [Are the instructive regulations of the type found in Article 3, 4 and 6 of the ITRs consistent with your national telecommunication law or regulations?]

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<sup>1</sup> The terms Administration, ROA and OA are used as defined in the Constitution.

2.4 Do you see some provisions of the ITRs contradicting your national regulations or regional regulations (e.g. EC directives) or other international instruments (e.g. WTO)?

2.5 Are provisions of the ITRs applicable for the provision of international telecommunications services arising out of the evolving market environment? Do you have any issues that are not covered by the current ITR? Could you propose a text for consideration?

3) Noting that the preamble refers to "most efficient operation" and that Paragraph 1.6 refers to "compliance with the relevant ITU-T Recommendations", is Paragraph 1.6 sufficient to guarantee efficient operation of telecommunication, for example to ensure world-wide consistency, stability, and predictability of the E.164, E.212 and/or other numbering plans?

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