



Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

Administrative Circular
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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU, Radiocommunication Sector Members and ITU-R Associates participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 1

Subject: **Radiocommunication Study Group 1 (Spectrum management)**

- **Proposed adoption of 3 draft revised ITU-R Questions and simultaneous approval by correspondence in accordance with § 10.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6 (Procedure for the simultaneous adoption and approval by correspondence)**
- **Proposed approval of suppression of 1 ITU-R Question**

At the meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 1, held from 11 to 12 June 2015, the Study Group decided to seek adoption of 3 draft revised ITU-R Questions by correspondence (§ 10.2.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6) and further decided to apply the procedure for simultaneous adoption and approval by correspondence (PSAA), (§ 10.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6). The texts of the draft ITU-R Questions are attached for your reference in Annexes 1-3. Furthermore, the Study Group proposed approval of suppression of 1 ITU-R Question mentioned in Annex 4.

The consideration period shall extend for 2 months ending on 24 August 2015. If within this period no objections are received from Member States, the draft Questions shall be considered to be adopted by Study Group 1. Furthermore, since the PSAA procedure has been followed, the draft Questions shall also be considered as approved.

Any Member State who objects to the adoption of a draft Question or approval of the suppression of a Question is requested to inform the Director and the Chairman of the Study Group of the reasons for the objection.

After the above-mentioned deadline, the results of the PSAA procedure will be announced in an Administrative Circular and the approved Questions will be published as soon as practicable (see <http://www.itu.int/pub/R-QUE-SG01/en>).



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Annexes: 4

Distribution:

- Administrations of Member States of the ITU and Radiocommunication Sector Members participating in the work of Radiocommunication Study Group 1
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- Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Conference Preparatory Meeting
- Members of the Radio Regulations Board
- Secretary-General of the ITU, Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau, Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau

Annex 1

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DRAFT REVISION OF QUESTION ITU-R 208/1*

Alternative methods of national spectrum management

(1995)

The ITU Radiocommunication Assembly,

considering

- a) that Study Group 1, ~~in accordance with the conclusions of the Second National Frequency Management Meeting~~ should take note of the special requirements of national spectrum management organizations from developing countries and devote particular attention to these matters during the regular meetings of the Study Group and its Working Parties;
- b) that spectrum management is becoming increasingly complex;
- e) ~~that recurring spectrum management issues are becoming increasingly difficult to resolve;~~
- ~~d~~c) that with the increasing requirements for use of the radio spectrum, alternative methods of spectrum management need to be developed;
- ed) that many administrations are investigating and/or implementing alternative spectrum management solutions to spectrum management problems, including the use of non-profit making user groups and private sector spectrum management organizations,

decides that the following Questions should be studied

- 1 What are alternative spectrum management approaches including the use of non-profit making user groups and private sector spectrum management organizations?
- 2 How can these approaches be categorized?
- 3 Which of these alternative spectrum management approaches would be responsive to the needs of the developing countries as well as for the least developed ones?
- 4 What measures, of a technical, operational and regulatory nature, would it be necessary for an administration to consider implementing when adopting one or more of these spectrum management approaches in the context of:
 - the country's infrastructure;
 - national spectrum management;
 - regional and international aspects (e.g. notification, coordination, monitoring)?

* ~~In the year 2013, Radiocommunication Study Group 1 extended the completion date of studies for this Question.~~

further decides

1 that the results of the above studies should be included in ~~(a)~~ Recommendation(s), and/or Report(s) or Handbook(s);

2 that the above studies should be completed by 20159.

Category: S2

Annex 2

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DRAFT REVISION OF QUESTION ITU-R 216/1*

Spectrum redeployment as a method of national spectrum management**

(1998)

The ITU Radiocommunication Assembly,

considering

- a) that all administrations need to make spectrum available for new radio applications and for increased use of existing applications;
- b) that as the use of the spectrum increases it may become progressively more difficult for administrations to find suitable spectrum for radio applications;
- c) that collating the experiences of administrations in spectrum redeployment techniques would provide information on the practice,

decides that the following Questions should be studied

- 1 What is spectrum redeployment?
- 2 What are the important technical and non-technical factors to be taken into account when developing a spectrum redeployment program?
- 3 Where can spectrum redeployment be applied?
- 4 What is the relationship between spectrum redeployment and spectrum pricing?

further decides

- 1 that the results of the above studies should be included in ~~(a)~~ Recommendation(s), and/or Report(s) or Handbook(s);
- 2 that the above studies should be completed by 2019~~5~~.

Category: S2

* ~~In the year 2013, Radiocommunication Study Group 1 extended the completion date of studies for this Question.~~

** Also referred to as “refarming”.

Annex 3

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DRAFT REVISION OF QUESTION ITU-R 205-1/1^{*}

Long-term strategies for spectrum utilization

(1995-1997)

The ITU Radiocommunication Assembly,

considering

- a) that the spectrum is ~~a limited~~ a very valuable resource ~~of~~ for both economic and social development~~value~~;
- b) that the requirements for use of the spectrum, including new applications, are increasing;
- c) that decisions on spectrum utilization can lead to large financial investments on the part of radio service operators, users and suppliers;
- d) that long-term strategies for spectrum utilization reduce the risk of making decisions on utilization which may require modification or withdrawal after a short period of time;
- e) that the Handbook on Spectrum Management contains a description of methods to improve spectrum utilization,

noting

- a) that according to Resolution ITU-R 4 texts on long-term strategies for spectrum utilization are to be developed,

decides that the following Questions should be studied

- 1 What are the appropriate methods for developing long-term strategies for spectrum utilization?
- 2 Which are the important technical and non-technical factors to be taken into account for the process of developing strategies for long-term spectrum utilization?
- 3 What are the appropriate procedures for transition from present spectrum utilization to long term objectives?

^{*} ~~In the year 2013, Radiocommunication Study Group 1 extended the completion date of studies for this Question.~~

further decides

1 that the results of the above studies should be included in ~~(a)~~ Recommendation(s) and/or
Report(s) or Handbook(s);

2 that the above studies should be completed by 20159.

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Annex 4

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Question proposed for suppression

Question ITU-R	Title
224/1	Technical convergence with respect to terrestrial fixed, mobile, and broadcasting interactive multimedia applications and the associated regulatory environment
