



Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

Administrative Circular
CACE/1098

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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU, Radiocommunication Sector Members, ITU-R Associates and ITU Academia participating in the work of the Radiocommunication Study Group 7

Subject: **Radiocommunication Study Group 7 (Science Services)**
– **Proposed approval of 1 draft revised ITU-R Recommendation**

At the meeting of Radiocommunication Study Group 7 held on 12 October 2023, the Study Group decided to seek adoption of 1 draft revised ITU-R Recommendation by correspondence, in accordance with § A2.6.2.2.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-8. The Recommendation has now been adopted by Study Group 7 and the approval procedure of Resolution ITU-R 1-9, § A2.6.2.3, is to be applied. The title and the summary of the draft Recommendation are given in the Annex to this letter. Any Member State raising an objection to the approval of the draft Recommendation is requested to inform the Director and the Chair of the Study Group of the reasons for the objection.

As stated in Administrative Circular [CACE/1084](#), dated 26 October 2023, the consultation period for the adoption of the Recommendation ended on 26 December 2023.

Having regard to the provisions of § A2.6.2.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-9, Member States are requested to inform the Secretariat (brsgd@itu.int) by 12 March 2024, whether they approve or do not approve the proposal above.

After the above-mentioned deadline, the results of this consultation will be announced in an Administrative Circular and the approved Recommendation will be published as soon as practicable (see <http://www.itu.int/pub/R-REC>).

Any ITU member organization aware of a patent held by itself or others which may fully or partly cover elements of the draft Recommendation mentioned in this letter is requested to disclose such information to the Secretariat as soon as possible. The Common Patent Policy for ITU-T/ITU-R/ISO/IEC is available at <http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/ipr/Pages/policy.aspx>.

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Annex: Title and summary of the draft Recommendation

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Annex

Title and summary of the draft Recommendation adopted by Radiocommunication Study Group 7

Draft revision of Recommendation ITU-R RS.2066-0

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Protection of the radio astronomy service in the frequency band 10.6-10.7 GHz from unwanted emissions of synthetic aperture radars operating in the Earth exploration-satellite service (active) around 9 600 MHz

Recommendation [ITU-R RS.2066-0](#) is incorporated by reference into the Radio Regulations as an outcome of the WRC-15 via the addition of RR No. **5.474B**:

5.474B Stations operating in the Earth exploration-satellite (active) service shall comply with Recommendation ITU-R RS.2066-0. (WRC-15)

Annex 2 of Recommendation ITU-R RS.2066-0 contains lists of radio astronomy stations operating in the band 10.6-10.7 GHz in all three ITU Regions.

After the Recommendation had been adopted, it was noticed that some entries in the tables, particularly those regarding the geographical coordinates of a number of radio astronomy stations, needed to be corrected.

A number of radio telescopes operating in the VLBI Global Observing System (VGOS) are currently being equipped with broadband receivers covering the frequency band 2-14 GHz. VGOS stations are registered as radio astronomy stations, and therefore can ask for protection in the frequency bands allocated to the radio astronomy service, including the band 10.6-10.7 GHz. These VGOS stations also need to be included in the tables.

In addition to the VGOS stations, there are a small number of other radio astronomy stations not originally included in the tables that should be added.
