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Circular Letter
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To Administrations of Member States of ITU

Subject: Draft Rules of Procedure

To the Director-General

Dear Sir/Madam

Please find enclosed proposals for the addition of Rules of Procedure (Edition of 2009) related to the treatment of coordination request for non-planned feeder link for the broadcasting satellite service in Region 2 in the bands 14.5-14.8 GHz in accordance with the provisions of No. **5.510**.

In accordance with No. **13.17** of the Radio Regulations, these proposals are made available to administrations for comment before being submitted to the RRB pursuant to No. **13.14**. As indicated in No. **13.12A d)** of the Radio Regulations, any comments that you may wish to submit should reach the Bureau not later than **21 February 2010**, in order to be considered at the 52nd meeting of the RRB, scheduled for 22-26 March 2010. All e-mail comments should be sent to: brmail@itu.int.

Yours faithfully,

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Annex: 1

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ANNEX 1

Rules concerning application of No. 5.510 to non-planned feeder link for the broadcasting satellite service in Region 2

ADD

5.510

1. Provision No. **5.510** limits the use of the band 14.5-14.8 GHz by the fixed-satellite service (FSS) (Earth-to-space) to feeder-links for the broadcasting-satellite service (BSS) for countries outside Europe, which means that such use is authorized in Region 2. This allocation was made at WARC-79 with the view to provide feeder-links to the 12 GHz broadcasting-satellite service for the three Regions. Article 2 of **AP30A** indicates that the provisions of this Appendix applies to FSS feeder links in the band 14.5-14.8 GHz in Region 1 and Region 3 for the BSS in Regions 1 and 3, but there is no mention of the same application in Region 2. Articles 4 and 7 of **AP30A** do not include the regulatory procedures to deal with the possible sharing situation between FSS feeder-link networks for the BSS in Region 2 and the Regions 1 and 3 BSS feeder-link Plan and List (outside Europe) in the 14.5-14.8 GHz band.

2. Taking account of the above context, where the utilisation of spectrum is not covered by specific procedures, and that similar existing procedures should be applicable to services having allocations with equal rights, the Board concluded that:

- a) the use of the band 14.5-14.8 GHz for BSS feeder-links in the FSS (Earth-to-space) in Region 2 is in accordance with the Table of Frequency Allocation;
- b) coordination of a BSS feeder-link frequency assignment in the FSS (Earth-to-space) in Region 2 in the band 14.5-14.8 GHz with frequency assignments of the BSS feeder-link subject to a plan shall be effected using the provision of Section I of Article 7 of Appendix 30A; and,
- c) coordination of a frequency assignment to be included in the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link list with BSS feeder-link frequency assignments in the FSS (Earth-to-space) in Region 2 in the band 14.5-14.8 GHz shall be effected using Appendix 30A § 4.1.1d).

Reasons: *The Radio Regulations Board at its 52nd Meeting (9-11 November 2009), considered §5 of the Director's Report and noted the discrepancies between the provisions of No. 5.510 and Article 2 of Appendix 30A of the Radio Regulations and instructed the Bureau to prepare a draft Rule of Procedure on the application of No. 5.510 of the Radio Regulations to non-planned feeder links in Region 2 in the band 14.5-14.8 GHz.*

The Bureau had earlier received coordination requests from one administration for use of the band 14.5-14.8 GHz in Region 2 to non-planned feeder links for the BSS. In order not to delay the publication of the relevant special sections, since these coordination requests contained frequency assignments in bands other than 14.5-14.8 GHz, and in the absence of an appropriate Rule of Procedure, the Bureau has treated the concerned request as proposed above. The Board also concluded that, in the absence of an appropriate Rule of Procedure, "the actions undertaken by the Bureau were appropriate and will be reviewed in the light of the new Rule of Procedure, if necessary".

Effective date of application of the modified Rule: Immediately after the approval of the Rule.