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Circular Letter
CR/309

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To Administrations of Member States of ITU

Subject: Application of Article 12 of the Radio Regulations

- 1) Closing date for receipt of high frequency broadcasting schedules for the season A10 (28 March 2010 – 31 October 2010)
- 2) Allocation situation after 29 March 2009
- 3) Regional coordination meeting, 2010

To the Director-General

Dear Sir/Madam,

1 Closing date of receipt of HF broadcasting schedules for the season A10

1.1 In accordance with provision No. 12.31 of the Radio Regulations, I wish to inform you that the Radiocommunication Bureau has set **17 January 2010** as the closing date for the receipt of the HFBC schedules for the season A10.

1.2 In order to issue the first tentative schedule (A10T1) and dispatch it to subscribers two months ahead of the implementation date (No. 12.34 of the Radio Regulations), administrations and authorized organizations are urged to send in their tentative schedules

before the closing date and, if possible, before 19 December 2009.

1.3 Requirements are to be submitted by administrations or authorized organizations, such as broadcasters. In the latter case, administrations that have not yet advised the Bureau, shall do so in writing, stating the names of the authorized organizations, their three-letter code for ease of identification and the scope of the authorizations (see No. 12.1 of the Radio Regulations); otherwise the requirements will not be accepted by the Bureau.

1.4 Submission of requirements must be **in electronic format only**. Your attention is drawn to the fact that as from January 2009, the requirements concerning HFBC schedules (*inter alia*) are to be submitted via the **WISFAT** web interface for submission of frequency assignments/allotments (terrestrial services) in accordance with Circular Letters CR/297 and CR/308.

1.5 A document describing the file format for submission of HFBC requirements in accordance with Article 12 of the Radio Regulations is available for download from the webpage: <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/terrestrial/broadcast/hf/index.html> (in the HF broadcasting section of terrestrial services).

1.6 The foreseen dates of dispatch to subscribers of the CD-ROMs containing the updated schedule are indicated in **Annex 1** together with the dates by which updated schedules need to be received by the Bureau in order to be incorporated.

1.7 The Bureau wishes to emphasize that submission of requirements before the closing date is necessary in order to obtain a complete and accurate tentative schedule together with compatibility analysis for effective coordination process.

2 Allocation situation after 29 March 2009

2.1 The World Radiocommunication Conference, Geneva 2003 (WRC-03), adopted partial revision of the Radio Regulations and decided that the revised provisions shall enter into force on 30 March 2009.

2.2 The allocation situation in the bands between 6 765 kHz and 8 100 kHz, as applicable from 30 March 2009, is summarized in Circular Letter CR/282 of 17 April 2008.

2.3 As from season A09 the band 7 100-7 200 kHz is no longer available for the HF broadcasting service in any ITU region and has been excluded from the procedure governed by Article 12 of the Radio Regulations. On the other hand, the allocation to the HF broadcasting service in the band 7 350-7 450 kHz became effective on 30 March 2009.

3 Regional coordination meeting

3.1 The Bureau has been informed of a joint ABU-HFC and HFCC/ASBU coordination meeting hosted by the ABU-HFC regional coordination group from 1 to 5 February 2010 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Administrations are encouraged to participate in the meeting, which has proved effective in coordinating HFBC schedules among all HF users. For additional information please contact the regional coordination groups:

- Arab States Broadcasting Union (ASBU): <http://www.asbu.net>
- Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union – High Frequency Coordination (ABU-HFC): <http://www.abu.org.my>
- High Frequency Coordination Conference (HFCC): <http://www.hfcc.org>

Yours faithfully,

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Annex: 1

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Annex 1

HFBC Schedule on CD-ROM – Season A10 (28 March 2010 – 31 October 2010) List of editions and closing dates for submissions

Schedule title	Date of edition	Date limit for submissions
A10 Tentative 1 (A10T1)	End of January 2010	17 January 2010
A10 Tentative 2 (A10T2)	End of February 2010	14 February 2010
A10 Schedule 1 (A10S1)	End of March 2010	14 March 2010
A10 Schedule 2 (A10S2)	End of May 2010	16 May 2010
A10 Schedule 3 (A10S3)	End of July 2010	18 July 2010
A10 Final (A10F)	End of November 2010	14 November 2010
