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## Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

Circular Letter  
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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU

Subject: **ITU Online Questionnaire on the use of High Frequency (Short wave) Broadcasting Service governed by Article 12 of the Radio Regulations**

The Radiocommunication Bureau, in consultation with the High Frequency (HF) Regional Coordination Groups, is pleased to inform you that an online questionnaire on HF Broadcasting (HFBC) has been prepared and is accessible from the following ITU web page:

<http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/terrestrial/broadcast/HFBC/Pages/questionnaire.aspx>.

The aim of this questionnaire is to gather the information concerning different aspects of the use of HFBC service in accordance with Article 12 of the Radio Regulations relating to seasonal planning of the HF bands allocated to the broadcasting service between 5900 and 26100 kHz and assess the participation of administrations and broadcasting entities in bilateral and multi-lateral HFBC frequency coordination meetings.

The gathered information will also contribute to the update of the ITU HFBC database and the revision of the HFBC reference tables and any other related data.

The Bureau is also pleased to inform you of its intention, in the future, to integrate the HFBC software and publications in the Broadcasting Online Portal eBCD2.0 in order to facilitate the communication between the Bureau and the notifying organizations and the coordination of the HFBC requirements through the use of modern electronic communication means.

Your Administration is invited to provide a complete reply to the online HFBC questionnaire by **15 January 2018**. The Bureau relies on the collaboration of all administrations and the concerned organizations and wishes to emphasize that their close involvement will be the key to the success of this initiative. The Regional Coordination Groups are invited to encourage their members to provide replies in a timely and complete manner.

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