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COORDINATION AND COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE THREE SECTORS

1. Background

Taking into consideration the development of many new issues which require coordination and collaboration of the three Sectors and sometimes of both ITU-R and ITU-T, to eliminate possible overlap and to define ways and means to strengthen such coordination and cooperation.

2. Proposal

Taking into consideration the spirit of the Resolution 57 of WTSA (Johannesburg, 2008) (basic text was proposed by Arab States), it is proposed to call the Advisory Group chairmen and any Vice-Chairmen of the three Groups present at the Council meeting this year, to meet at that meeting this year outside working hours to discuss possible ways and means to start such coordination and cooperation beyond those already established. This should include if possible in the future a joint meeting with the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Study Groups in the three Sectors (physical or virtual) taking into consideration the results of WTDC-10 as well as PP-10, with the participation of the three Bureaux: BR, TSB and BDT.

3. Improving the calendar of Study Group meetings (including Working Parties and Rapporteur Groups and the sequence of Study Group meetings)

3.1 Background

Delegations of some developing countries, including Syria, are questioning the length of meetings (working days) for economical reasons.

3.2 Proposal

3.2.1 It is proposed to find ways and means to limit the length of meetings of the working parties by encouraging correspondence groups working electronically between meetings and other means.

3.2.2 Limiting the meetings of study groups to one meeting per year following the good example of some study groups and using the arrangement of Study Group 7 (one day immediately prior to working party meetings and one day immediately after the working party meetings per year).

4. Joint Working Parties and Joint Rapporteur Groups of the two Sectors (ITU-T and ITU-R)

4.1 Background

It is clear from both Resolution 1 for ITU-T and ITU-R that this mechanism is not clearly stipulated, although such groups existed in the past.

4.2 Proposals

RAG is invited to allow such groups to be created by the concerned Study Group chairmen, identifying their mandate, their leaderships (co-chair) and time limit and to whom they should report.

5. Revision of old Recommendations

5.1 Background

There is a tendency to revise old Recommendations which were adopted more than 10 years ago not taking into consideration that such text is old.

5.2 Proposal

Any Recommendation which dates back more than 10 years should be renewed and not revised.
