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| UPDATE OF RESOLUTION ITU-R 1-6 “Working methods for the Radiocommunication Assembly, the Radiocommunication Study Groups, and the Radiocommunication Advisory Group” |

# 1 Introduction

Canada has reviewed the results of the RAG Correspondence Group on the [Revision of Resolution ITU-R 1-6](https://extranet.itu.int/itu-r/conferences/rag/cg_resolution_itu_r_1_6/SitePages/Home.aspx) and in general supports the new structure of the Resolution as presented in Appendix 3 of [Document RA15/PLEN/7](http://www.itu.int/md/R15-RA15-C-0007/en).

Furthermore, Canada has some suggestions for improvements as discussed in section 2.

# 2 Discussion

*Adoption and approval of Recommendations* – the text in section 14.2.1.1 contains a new phrase “as agreed by the appropriate subordinate group”, which does not exist in the equivalent section of the current [Resolution ITU-R 1-6](http://www.itu.int/pub/R-RES-R.1-6-2012) in force (section 10.1.1). While in most cases draft Recommendations are submitted by a subordinate group this is not always the case, and these cases should not be excluded on procedural grounds. Member States should be able to decide whether a draft Recommendation can be adopted regardless of the source based on the nature of the Recommendation.

*Format of ITU-R Recommendations* – Section 8.2.1 contains this phrase: “In particular, the guidelines contain the common format for ITU-R Recommendations developed by RAG”. This is fine, but in addition reference should be made to a Decision of the Assembly that provides clear guidance on the format of ITU-R Recommendations, including whether the format is mandatory or optional and if it is mandatory, whether existing Recommendations should be converted to the new format when they are updated (refer to Canada contribution in Document [RA15/PLEN/18](http://www.itu.int/md/R15-RA15-C-0018/en)).

# 3 Proposal

Canada proposes that:

1) The phrase “as agreed by the appropriate subordinate group” be removed from section 14.2.1.1.

2) In section 8.2.1 add a reference to a Decision of the Assembly on the format of ITU-R Recommendations (cf. Doc. RA15/PLEN/18).

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