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RADIO REGULATIONS BOARD (RRB)

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BRIEF HISTORY OF THE BOARD

- 1947: International Frequency Registration Board (IFRB) with 11 members (full time)

- 1965: ITU PP reduced the IFRB to 5 members

- **1992: PP replaced the IFRB with a part time RRB**

- 1994: PP-94 elected 9 Board members

- 1998: PP-98 increased the Board to the current **12 members**

COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD AND ELECTION

❑ RRB draws its mandate from **ITU Constitution, Convention and the Radio Regulations**

❑ 12 members of RRB elected by the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference for a term of 4 years; Eligible for re-election once

- 2 Members each from ITU administrative Regions A, B and C

- 3 Members each from ITU administrative Regions D and E

❑ The Director, Radiocommunication Bureau is the Executive Secretary for the Board;

❑ The BR provides the secretarial support.

Current Members 2014-2018

☐ Region A

Mr. R. Teran (Argentina)

Ms J. Wilson (USA)

☐ Region B

Mr. A. Magenta (Italy)

Ms L. Jeanty (Netherlands)

☐ Region C

Mr. I. Khairov (Ukraine)

Mr. V. Strelets (Russian Federation)

☐ Region D

Mr. S. K. Kibe (Kenya)

Mr. S. Koffi (Côte d'Ivoire)

Mr. M. Bessi (Morocco)

☐ Region E

Mr. N. Al Hammadi (UAE)

Mr. D. Hoan (Vietnam)

Mr. Y. Ito (Japan)

Current Members 2014-2018

Incoming RRB Members 2018 - 2022

❑ **Region A**

Ms C. Beaumier (Canada)

Mr. F. Borjon (Mexico)

❑ **Region B**

Ms L. Jeanty (Netherlands)

Mr. Y. Henri (France)

❑ **Region C**

Ms S. Hasanova (Azerbaijan)

Mr. N. Varlamov (Russian Federation)

❑ **Region D**

Mr. S. M. Mchunu (South Africa)

Dr. E. Azzouz (Egypt)

Mr. H. Talib (Morocco)

❑ **Region E**

Dr. A. Hashimoto (Japan)

Mr. D. Hoan (Vietnam)

Mr. T. Alamri (Saudi Arabia)

MANDATE OF RRB 1/3

❖ **ITU Constitution**

❖ **ITU Convention**

❖ **ITU Radio Regulations**

❑ **Mandate from the ITU Constitution**

— CS 93 to CS 101; Composition & Functions of the Board

— CS 98 – serve as Custodians of an International Public trust and not as members of their individual Administrations

❑ **Mandate from the ITU Convention**

— CV 140 to CV 147; Additional duties and working methods of the Board

— Resolution 119; Methods to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Radio Regulation Board

MANDATE OF THE BOARD 3/3

❑ **Mandate from the Radio Regulations**

➢ RR Article 6: Special Agreements- No 6.6 (rarely used);
➢ RR Article 7: Application of the procedures- No 7.1, 7.5 - 7.7

❑ **RR Article 13**

➢ Section 0- Development of RoPs
➢ Section II- Deletion of assignments from MIFR (13.6)
➢ Section III- Maintenance of RoPs
➢ Section IV- Board Documents

❑ **RR Article 14: Review of a finding of the BR- No14.5 - 14.8**

DUTIES OF THE BOARD 1/2

❑ To Consider and approve of the Rules of Procedures (RoPs)

❑ Consider, at the request of an administrations:

- **Appeals** on BR decisions and other requests

- **Interference issues** between countries

❑ To prepare **reports** to the WRC on:

- RRB **activities** since the last WRC

- Proposals for **inclusion of RoP** into the Radio Regulations

- Proposals on Implementation of **Resolution 80**

DUTIES OF THE BOARD 2/2

❑ RR No 13.6 (Mod) - Approval of decisions of the BR to remove assignments from MIFR

❑ Limited and qualified extension of regulatory time-limit for bringing into use of frequency assignments to a satellite in cases of co- passenger delay or *force majeure*

❑ Resolution 80

❑ Address instructions and items referred to RRB by WRC or the ITU Council

RRB's decisions may only be overturned by a WRC

RULES OF PROCEDURE 1/2

❑ **RoP** used in the application of RR, Regional Agreements, Resolutions and Recommendations

❑ Clarity to RR or BR procedures

❑ Three types of **RoP**:

—**PART A**: Rules relating to the RR provisions

—**PART B**: Rules that relate to a process, i.e. technical examination

—**PART C:** Internal arrangements and working methods of the Board

RULES OF PROCEDURE 2/2

❑ Rules of Procedure developed only in case of clear need

❑ Procedure for developing **RoP**

- Draft **RoP** prepared by the Bureau and approved by RRB for circulation to administrations
- The Draft **RoP** circulated to administrations for comments after approval by RRB
- The **RoP** & comments from administrations submitted to RRB for approval
- The approved **RoP** published by the BR

❑ **RoPs** reviewed after each WRC

MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

➢ Normally 3 meetings per year
- – Documents from administrations; 3 weeks before Board's meeting
- – Comments on the draft Rule of Procedure; 4 weeks before the Board's meeting (RR 13.12A)

➢ Meetings chaired by a member, who is elected to serve as the chairman for one year

➢ The Director of the BR is the Executive Secretary of the Board and is supported by experts from the BR

Board can not accept 'Confidential' documents as it has to work in a transparent manner

TRANSPARENCY OF THE BOARD

➢ **Transparency essential for Board's activities**

    o   CS 95 & Res. 119: Development of Rules of procedures in a transparent manner;

    o   CS 98: Board Members custodians of an international public trust

➢ **All documents of the Board are posted on RRB website**

    o   Meeting dates and deadlines

    o   Agendas and meeting documents

    o   Summary of Decisions

    o   Minutes of Meetings

    o   Draft RoP's and Approved RoPs

    o   Archives

COMMON ISSUES RAISED BY ADMINISTRATIONS

❑ **Regulatory Period**
- ✓ RR 9.1, RR 9.2, RR APP 30/30A 4.1.3 / 4.2.6, RR APP 30/30A 4.1.3 *bis* / 4.2.6*bis*

❑ **Non-conformities with date of biu**
- ✓ RR 11.44, RR 11.44.1/RR 11.48, RR 11.49

❑ **Force majeure & co-passenger issues**

❑ **Non-conformities with characteristics in the MIFR**
- ✓ RR 13.6

❑ **Cancellation of filings for non payment of cost recovery**
- ✓ Council decision No. 482

❑ **Interference issues**

❑ **Cases of force majeure**

❑ **Change of notifying administration**

❑ **Application of CS Art. 48**
- ✓ National defence installations

❑ **Resolution 80**

Thank you for your attention.