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| PROPOSAL FOR THE FREE PUBLICATION OF THE RADIO REGULATIONS NAVIGATION AND ANALYSIS TOOLS |

Introduction

The free online access policy continues to ensure broad dissemination of ITU standards to a wider public. It has greatly facilitated the preparation of documents for the Sector’s conferences and assemblies, in addition to enhancing the visibility of the ITU mission and mandate, and reinforcing the Union as a global authority on telecommunications.

Drawing on the Radiocommunication Sector’s experience of the free online publication of a wide range of documents (the Radio Regulations, Rules of Procedure, the Union’s basic texts, etc.), including ITU-R handbooks, and in response to Member State requests, the Administration of Cuba:

considering

– that the policy of free online access to the basic texts of the Union, the Radio Regulations, ITU-R recommendations, ITU-R reports, ITU-R handbooks and other publications has not affected the level of sales of those documents,

– that those documents have been disseminated worldwide, becoming a universal reference and reaching all audiences, regardless of their economic situation,

– that the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-19) will take place in six months,

– that some of those documents will be updated after WRC-19 and that it will ultimately be necessary to update the computer tools facilitating their use and analysis,

– that the level of contributions to various events may increase, thus improving performance and development,

– that it would be quite helpful for the administrations of least advanced and developing countries to create and develop their base for the formulation of policies and decisions on spectrum management and the use of radiocommunications in general,

– that it would enable administrations to ascertain the usefulness of the tools,

proposes

that the Radiocommunication Advisory Group propose to the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau that free access be provided to the computer tools developed by the Bureau, in order to facilitate the use and analysis of the Radio Regulations and the Rules of Procedure, and searches and detailed analyses of the Table of Frequency Allocations contained in Article 5 of the Radio Regulations.

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