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| INCREASE ON THE NUMBER OF Brific online USER logins free of charge AND COST RECOVERY implications | |

In order to reach its goals, ITU deploys crucial products and services to support the work under the thematic priorities defined by the ITU strategic plan.

One of the most important services provided by ITU is the processing and publishing of satellite network filings through the BR INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY INFORMATION CIRCULAR (BR IFIC-Space Services), which is the basis of data to support administrations during satellite networks coordination processes.

The BRIFIC Space migrated to be an online electronic service during the COVID-19 Pandemic, a step which was not only an improvement, but a clear necessity, otherwise the international satellite networks and systems coordination process in global scale would be totally disrupted. More recently, the ITU has disclosed the new BRIFIC space online platform, which Brazil took part as one of the beta test administrations. However, recently the responsible department of ITU informed that only 1 user login could be granted access free of charge. In that sense, one of the most important feedbacks Brazil would like to provide, now that the system is in production phase, is that administrations should not be granted limited access to only one user login free of charge. This limited approach goes radically in the opposite direction of the Union goals.

Brazil proposes that ITU expands the number of users free of charge, unless there is a clear and direct correlation between an increased number of users and any associated increase of the costs to the Union. Brazil also would like to note that the DVDs ROMs are still being submitted through physical mail, which might not reasonable anymore in most of the cases, being inefficient allocation of resources that could be replaced by a policy allowing a higher number of users to access the new BRIFIC Online platform free of charge, at least for those administration wishing to do so.

Brazil also highlights that a study related to satellite network filings cost recovery is ongoing in Council Expert Group on Decision 482 and it could be valuable to have that sort of information on the real marginal costs per user of BRIFIC Space online available within the information that will be objectively provided by the BR to the 2nd meeting of the Council EG Group on Decision 482.

In this regard, Brazil proposes that:

* the RAG advises the Director of the BR to request an increase on the number of user logins from 1 user to (at least) 10 users per administration to be enabled to access the BRIFIC online platform free of charge.
* In case an increase in the number to 10 user logins reflects in increasing the costs to the Union, that the BR provides the details on the technical basis for that cost increase and, in order to compensate the costs, to request suspending the mailing of physical BRIFIC Space DVD ROMs to those administration(s) wishing to have more user logins to be enabled to access the online BRIFIC platform free of charge.

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