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RULES OF PROCEDURE

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PREAMBLE

The Rules of Procedure are applied by the Radiocommunication Bureau and complement the Radio Regulations (RR) by providing clarification of the application of particular Regulations or establishing the necessary practical procedures that may not be provided for in the current Regulatory Provisions. This document incorporates the results of a comprehensive review and revision of the Rules of Procedure by the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) subsequent to WRC-23. The Rules contained in the present document thus replace and supersede all formerly published Rules of Procedure. These rules shall be used by administrations and the Radiocommunication Bureau in the application of the Radio Regulations. The Rules of Procedure are presented in three Parts:

- Part A:** the Rules that relate to one or a limited number of Radio Regulatory provisions;
- Part B:** the Rules that relate to a process i.e. a technical examination;
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In accordance with provision No. 95 of the Constitution, the Radio Regulations Board has approved the present Rules of Procedure including technical criteria given herein.

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INTRODUCTION

PART A

Part A of the Rules of Procedure is related to the specific provisions of the Radio Regulations and Regional Agreements. The following sections are included:

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- A2 – ST61:** Rules concerning the Regional Agreement for the European Broadcasting Area concerning the use of frequencies by the broadcasting service in the VHF and UHF bands (Stockholm, 1961) (ST61).
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Part B of the Rules of Procedure contains rules applicable to complex technical procedures of a large scope not directly related to one unique provision of the Radio Regulations or Regional Agreements. The following sections are included:

- B1:** (Not used)
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- B4:** Rules concerning calculation methodology and technical standards for determining the affected administrations and for assessing the probability of harmful interference in the bands between 9 kHz and 28 000 kHz.
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PART C

- C:** Internal arrangements and working methods of the Radio Regulations Board.

PRESENTATION

1 The Rules are presented with direct reference to the specific paragraph or provision numbers of the Radio Regulations or Regional Agreements. The reference number preceding a Rule in the framed box on the left of the page is the provision (or paragraph) number in the Radio Regulations or Regional Agreement, for example:

1.23

This means that the Rule following the above indication concerns the application of the Radio Regulations provision No. **1.23**.

2 To facilitate the reading throughout the present Rules a common system was established in the heading of each page. For example:

Part A1	AR11	page 7	rev.-
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The page concerned in Part A1 is page 7 of the Chapter dealing with Article **11** of the Radio Regulations. The indication “rev.-” means that the page concerns the first version of the Rules. No revision has been effected.

PART A1

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 1 of the RR

1.23

1 Number **1.23** states that the functions of the space operation service (space tracking, space telemetry, space telecommand) will normally be provided within the service in which the space station is operating. The question thus arises as to the appropriateness of considering frequency assignment notices with classes of stations performing these functions, to be in conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations when the Table does not contain an allocation to the space operation service.

2 In the No. **11.31** examinations, notices concerned with space operation functions will be considered in conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations (favourable finding) in the case where the assigned frequency (and the assigned frequency band) lies in a frequency band allocated to the:

- space operation service, or
- the main service in which the space station is operating (e.g. fixed-satellite service (FSS), broadcasting-satellite service (BSS), mobile-satellite service (MSS)).

3 In the case where the assigned frequency concerning space operation functions lies in a frequency band allocated to a service in which the space station has no operating function the No. **11.31** finding will be unfavourable.

1.61

When, in a given location or aboard a satellite, transmitters or receivers are used for different radiocommunication services, this constitutes several stations each corresponding to a separate radiocommunication service. This distinction is essential in space radiocommunications when a unique spacecraft is used for several services. (For the symbols of the different classes of station used in the notice forms for the services in which a station is operating, see Table No. 3 of the Preface to the BR IFIC.)

1.63

Transportable earth station: The Board considers a transportable earth station in the fixed-satellite service (see No. **1.21**) (or in any other space service) to be an earth station to be used only at fixed points. Consequently, its notice form is considered incomplete when it does not contain the geographical coordinates.

1.112

According to this definition, when a satellite system is composed of only one satellite it is at the same time a satellite network and when it is composed of more than one satellite each of its parts containing one satellite is a satellite network. The title of Annex 2 of Appendix 4 (as well as the sub-titles of § A and A1 of this Annex) indicates that the information contained in that Appendix shall be provided for each satellite network. Consequently the advance publication or coordination procedure, as appropriate, is to be applied for each satellite network. Taking into account Section A.4.b of Appendix 4, one notice for a non-geostationary satellite network may cover one or more orbital planes and one or more satellites per orbital plane.

On the basis of the above:

- a) a geostationary-satellite system using one satellite and two or more earth stations is a satellite network;
- b) in the case of a geostationary-satellite system in which the radio link between two earth stations uses two or more satellites communicating through intersatellite-links, each satellite with its associated earth and space stations, as appropriate, is considered as a separate satellite network. The intersatellite links connecting these satellites are to be notified for each of the satellites of the system;
- c) a non-geostationary-satellite system composed of one or more orbital planes, each of them with one or more satellites having identical characteristics, is treated as one satellite network. When these non-geostationary satellites are connected to each other by intersatellite links, these links may be notified as part of this satellite network;
- d) in the case of a combined satellite system consisting of one geostationary satellite and a number of non-geostationary satellites communicating through non-GSO/GSO intersatellite-links, the geostationary satellite and the non-geostationary satellites, each with their respective associated earth and space stations, as appropriate, are considered as separate satellite networks. The intersatellite links connecting the non-geostationary satellites to the geostationary satellite of the system are to be notified for each of the satellite networks of the system.

(See also comments under footnote () and § 4.2 of the Rules of Procedure concerning the Receivability of forms of notice)*

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 4 of the RR

4.4

1 Use of a frequency under RR No. 4.4

1.1 This provision states that *“Administrations of the Member States shall not assign to a station any frequency in derogation of either the Table of Frequency Allocations in this Chapter or the other provisions of these Regulations, except on the express condition that such a station, when using such a frequency assignment, shall not cause harmful interference to, and shall not claim protection from harmful interference caused by, a station operating in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the Convention and these Regulations.”*

1.2 The scope of the terms *“in derogation of either the Table of Frequency Allocations in this Chapter or the other provisions of these Regulations”* is specified in No. **8.4** by the indication that the *“other provisions”* shall be identified and included in a Rule of Procedure. The Rules of Procedure on No. **11.31** provide a complete list of these *“other provisions”*.

1.3 The scope of No. **4.4** is therefore limited to derogations to the Table of Frequency Allocations and to the provisions listed in the Rules of Procedure on No. **11.31** with regard to the *“other provisions”*. In particular, administrations intending to authorize the use of spectrum under No. **4.4** still have the obligation, under Sections I and II of Article **9**, Nos. **11.2** and **11.3**, to notify to the Bureau *“any frequency assignment if its use is capable of causing harmful interference to any service of another administration”*.

1.4 Further, it can be seen from Nos. **8.5** and **11.36** that the recording of an assignment with a reference to No. **4.4** includes the commitment by the notifying administration to immediately eliminate any harmful interference actually caused to other frequency assignments operated in accordance with the Radio Regulations upon receipt of advice thereof. This limitation on the use of an assignment notified with a reference to No. **4.4** is valid only when both categories of assignments detailed in No. **8.5** are in use.

1.5 The Board considers that the determination of whether or not a frequency assignment to a transmitting station is capable of causing harmful interference to the stations of another administration operating in accordance with the Radio Regulations does not lie only on the side of the administration operating the transmitting station that may be producing the interference and other administrations should have information about a use under No. **4.4** to assess its interference potential or identify the source of harmful interference. For this reason, an administration intending to use a frequency assignment to a transmitting station under No. **4.4** has to notify to the Bureau this frequency assignment, pursuant to Article **11**¹, if possible prior to bringing it into use. For space services, this includes the prior application of the relevant provisions of Article **9** (see also § 1.3 above).

1.6 The Board also concluded that administrations, prior to bringing into use any frequency assignment to a transmitting station operating under No. **4.4**, shall determine:

- a) That the intended use of the frequency assignment to the station under No. **4.4** will not cause harmful interference into the stations of other administrations operating in conformity with the Radio Regulations;
- b) What measures it would need to take in order to comply with the requirement to immediately eliminate harmful interference pursuant to No. **8.5**.

When notifying the use of frequency assignments to be operated under No. **4.4**, the notifying Administration shall provide a confirmation that it has determined that these frequency assignments meet the conditions referred to above in item a) and that it has identified measures to avoid harmful interference and to immediately eliminate such in case of a complaint.

1.7 Taking into account No. **4.4** as well as Nos. **5.43** and **5.43A**, frequency assignments to receiving stations not in conformity with the Radio Regulations are recorded with a symbol which includes the indication that the notifying administration cannot claim protection from any harmful interference that may be caused by frequency assignments operated in accordance with the Radio Regulations.

See also the Rules of Procedure relating to No. **11.37**.

¹ It is recognised that the exchange of information about the use of frequency assignments, including those under No. **4.4** by stations of terrestrial services in certain bands (e.g. in bands not shared with space services), could also be achieved through bilateral/multilateral arrangements or mechanisms.

2 Emissions in bands where uses other than those authorized are prohibited

2.1 The provisions listed below relating either to frequencies or bands to be used for safety and distress communications or allocated for passive usage prohibit any other use:

a) *Provisions relating to safety and distress communications:*

Appendix 15 (GMDSS), Tables 15-1 and 15-2: frequencies marked with an asterisk (*) to indicate that any emission causing harmful interference to distress and safety communications is prohibited.

b) *Provisions relating to passive usage:*

No. 5.340.

2.2 The Board considers that, in view of this prohibition, a notification concerning any other use than those authorized in the band or on the frequencies concerned cannot be accepted even with a reference to No. 4.4; furthermore the administration submitting such a notice is urged to abstain from such usage.

3 Recording of frequency assignments to satellite networks and systems under No. 4.4

Note: WRC-23 took the following decision on recording of frequency assignments to satellite networks and systems under No. 4.4, see item 13.20 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):

“WRC-23 discussed the use of RR No. 4.4 raised in section 4.14 of the Report “Recording of frequency assignments to satellite networks and systems under No. 4.4” and confirmed “that frequency assignments recorded under RR No. 4.4 are not entitled to protection from harmful interference from other frequency assignments recorded under RR No. 4.4”.

The international rights and obligations of administrations in respect of their own frequency assignments and other administrations frequency assignments are defined in Article 8 as well as other provisions of the RR. See also Article 8 of the RR.

In order to increase the transparency, WRC-23 instructs the Bureau to insert the indication of the frequency assignment submission under RR No. 4.4 at the Summary Table of the Special Section or Part. In addition, to facilitate information sharing, WRC-23 instructs the Radiocommunication Bureau (BR) to make any information it may have regarding notification and bringing into use of frequency assignments under RR No. 4.4 available in an easily accessible format, such as publishing it in BR’s website and implementing a new filter option in the ITU Space Explorer Data Analytics tool. The shared information could include a list of filings that are using RR No. 4.4 as well as historical data, including the date of receipt of these assignments. In addition, BR is also instructed to periodically inform administrations on the updated information regarding notification and bringing into use of frequency assignments under RR No. 4.4 made available by BR in its website and to invite the notifying administrations to take steps to cancel the RR No. 4.4 assignments if no longer in use.

WRC-23 urges administrations when using frequency assignments under RR No. 4.4 to fully comply with the objectives and purpose of this provision, including the RoP related to RR No. 4.4.”

4.5

1 The application of this provision involves the case of an adjacent band not allocated to the service concerned as well as the case of an adjacent band allocated to the service concerned with a different category of allocation.

1.1 A frequency assignment, of which the assigned frequency band overlaps a band not allocated to the service concerned, shall receive an unfavourable regulatory finding under No. **11.31**.

1.2 A frequency assignment, of which the assigned frequency band overlaps a band allocated with a lower category of service will be considered as having the lower category of service and, when recorded, will bear a symbol to this effect. (See Symbols R and S in Table 13B, Column 13B2, of the Preface to the IFL.)

2 To resolve cases of harmful interference between services in adjacent bands it was decided that, irrespective of the phenomena at the origin of the interference (out-of-band emission, intermodulation products, etc.), the administration responsible for the emission overlapping a non-allocated band shall use appropriate means to eliminate the interference.

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 5 of the RR

5.33

Number **5.152** illustrates this provision. When the transmitting and the receiving stations are both located within one of the countries listed in the footnote, the fixed service has equal rights with the amateur service. This is also the case when one station is located in one country and the other in another country, both countries being listed in No. **5.152**. When either station is not within one of the countries listed in the footnote, the assignment is out of band.

5.36

The Radio Regulations contain the procedure defined in No. **9.21** together with a number of footnotes of the Table of Frequency Allocations stipulating that an additional or alternative allocation is made “*subject to agreement obtained under the procedure set forth in No. 9.21*”. The Board had to indicate to the Bureau under which category of allocation an assignment in the service to which the procedure of No. **9.21** had been successfully applied and where the footnote did not indicate the category of allocation, should be recorded. The following conclusions were reached:

- a) When a footnote allocates a frequency band to a service on a secondary basis or on a non-interference basis, this indication is considered by the Board as a restriction imposed on the allocation.
- b) Number **5.37** stipulates that “*If restrictions are imposed on an additional allocation ... this is indicated in the footnote of the Table*”.
- c) Therefore, when a footnote does not contain such restrictions, the allocation is necessarily on a primary basis.

5.40

The interpretation given under No. **5.36** for additional allocations when the agreement under No. **9.21** is required applies also in this case to alternative allocations.

5.43

This provision specifies the operation on a non-interference and non-protection basis of a service, or station in a service, in respect to another service, or to another station in the same service. However, this provision does not specify the relation between the respective categories of allocations to which the operation on a non-interference and non-protection basis for a service, in respect to another service, applies. Bearing in mind the scope of application and the complexity of allocations contained in various provisions of Article 5, as well as the circumstances under which the allocations were made, the Board considers that the respective status of each allocation which is subject to the condition of not causing harmful interference to, or not claiming protection from, other service or other station in the same service, is to be derived from the conditions specified in each specific provision.

Bearing in mind the various and complex allocation situations that are described in the provisions of Article 5, as well as the circumstances under which the allocations were made, the Board considers that the attention of a future conference should be drawn to the footnotes specifying the operation on a non-interference and non-protection basis, which involve different categories of service, with the view to specifically establish the relationship between the respective categories of allocation to which the operation on a non-interference and non-protection basis refers.

5.43A

See comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. 5.43.

5.49

Several provisions, mainly those relating to allocations to mobile services, restrict allocations to a type of operation or to some specific systems. The Board had no means to examine the extent to which these restrictions are respected. (This fact was noted by WARC Mob-87 where such restrictions were made.) Consequently the Board decided that no symbol relating to these types of restrictions should be included in Column 13C of the Master International Frequency Register (MIFR or Master Register).

5.73

1 This provision represents *de facto* an additional allocation, by providing the possibility for transmission of supplementary navigational information from any station in the maritime radionavigation service, on condition that no harmful interference is caused to radiobeacon stations operating in the radionavigation service.

2 *The meaning of narrow-band:* based on the information in Recommendation ITU-R M.476-5, the Board considered that 500 Hz represents a reasonable limit for narrow-band techniques and set this value as a regulatory limit to be checked in the examinations of the conformity of the notified bandwidth in the context of this provision. Therefore, the Bureau shall formulate an unfavourable regulatory finding, in the application of No. 5.73, if that limit is exceeded for notified classes of emission F1B or G1D.

5.132A

This provision limits the application of the radiolocation service to oceanographic radars operating in accordance with Resolution **612 (Rev.WRC-12)**. The *resolves* part of this Resolution enters into the category “*the other provisions*” referred to in No. **11.31** and is subject to examinations by the Bureau.

Resolves 6 of Resolution **612 (Rev.WRC-12)** specifies the separation distances to be respected for oceanographic radars for “*rural*” and “*quiet rural*” areas for the land, sea or mixed propagation paths, unless prior explicit agreements from affected administrations are obtained. Concerning “*rural*” and “*quiet rural*” areas, the Bureau has no means to identify whether emissions from oceanographic radars reach a “*rural*” or “*quiet rural*” area at the border of another country since the Bureau does not have the relevant topographical data to determine these areas.

As the Bureau has no means for the identification of rural or quiet rural areas, the Board decided that for examination of the notified frequency assignment to a station in the radiolocation service from the view point of its conformity with *resolves* 6 of Resolution **612 (Rev.WRC-12)** the Bureau shall use the separation distances for quiet rural paths listed in Columns 3 and 5, as appropriate, of the Table of *resolves* 6.

5.145A

The comments and decision made under the Rule of Procedure concerning No. **5.132A** apply.

5.149

There is no allocation to radio astronomy in the bands 73-74.6 MHz (Regions 1 and 3), 1 330-1 400 MHz, 3 260-3 267 MHz, 3 332-3 339 MHz, 3 345.8-3 352.5 MHz, 6 650-6 675.2 MHz, 22.01-22.21 GHz, 22.81-22.86 GHz, 23.07-23.12 GHz, 31.2-31.3 GHz, 36.43-36.5 GHz, 168.59-168.93 GHz, 171.11-171.45 GHz (except for KOR), 172.31-172.65 GHz (except for KOR), 173.52-173.85 GHz (except for KOR) and 195.75-196.15 GHz. Notification of frequency assignments to radio astronomy stations in the bands 73-74.6 MHz (Regions 1 and 3), 1 330-1 400 MHz, 3 260-3 267 MHz, 3 332-3 339 MHz, 3 345.8-3 352.5 MHz, 6 650-6 675.2 MHz, 22.01-22.21 GHz, 22.81-22.86 GHz, 23.07-23.12 GHz, 31.2-31.3 GHz, 36.43-36.5 GHz, 168.59-168.93 GHz, 171.11-171.45 GHz (except for KOR), 172.31-172.65 GHz (except for KOR), 173.52-173.85 GHz (except for KOR) and 195.75-196.15 GHz will be considered by the Bureau not to be in conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations.

5.161A

The comments and decision made under the Rule of Procedure concerning No. **5.132A** apply.

5.164

Literal interpretation of this provision for an assignment to a land-mobile station in a country listed in the footnote would require recording:

- a symbol to indicate that the assignment is primary with respect to the countries listed in this footnote,
- a symbol to indicate that the assignment is secondary with respect to the broadcasting service for other countries,
- a symbol to indicate that the assignment is primary with respect to fixed and mobile services in countries listed in Nos. **5.165** and **5.171**,
- a symbol to indicate that the assignment is primary with respect to the amateur service in countries listed in No. **5.169**,
- etc.

The Board decided to have such assignments recorded with Symbol R in Column 13B2 and a reference to the footnote concerned in Column 13B1.

5.172

The French overseas departments and communities in Region 2 are the following geographical areas:

Guadeloupe, Saint Barthélemy, the French part of Saint Martin, French Guyana, Martinique and Saint Pierre and Miquelon.

5.233

1 The band mentioned in this provision is allocated in the body of the Table for Region 3 to three services, i.e. fixed, mobile and broadcasting. The Board interpreted this situation as follows:

- a) The successful application of the No. **9.21** procedure to the space services will give them the same status as the fixed and mobile services, i.e. primary.
- b) In respect of the broadcasting service, irrespective of the result of the application of the procedure of the No. **9.21** procedure, the space services can be operated only under No. **5.43**.

2 In accordance with the comments made under No. **5.164**, when an assignment is primary with respect to one service (or country) and secondary with respect to another service (or country), it will be recorded with Symbol R in Column 13B2 indicating this situation and a reference to the appropriate footnote in Column 13B1.

**5.254 and
5.255**

No. **5.254** stipulates that: “*The bands 235-322 MHz and 335.4-399.9 MHz may be used by the mobile-satellite service, subject to agreement obtained under No. **9.21**, on condition that stations in this service do not cause harmful interference to those of other services operating or planned to be operated in accordance with the Table of Frequency Allocations except for the additional allocation made in footnote No. **5.256A**.*”, whereas No. **5.255** stipulates that: “*The bands 312-315 MHz (Earth-to-space) and 387-390 MHz (space-to-Earth) in the mobile-satellite service may also be used by non-geostationary-satellite systems. Such use is subject to coordination under No. **9.11A**.*”

Recognizing the difficulty in determining the type of coordination applicable to notified frequency assignments in the mobile-satellite service in the above frequency bands, the Board concluded as follows:

- 1) When the Bureau examines frequency assignments of non-GSO MSS systems notified in the frequency bands 312-315 MHz (Earth-to-space) and 387-390 MHz (space-to-Earth) only, the Board, noting the MSS allocations on a secondary basis and the fixed and mobile services allocations on a primary basis in these two frequency bands, instructed the Bureau to only apply the provisions of No. **5.255**. As a consequence, only the coordination procedure under No. **9.11A** applies.

- 2) In cases where frequency assignments submitted in the frequency bands 312-315 MHz (Earth-to-space) or 387-390 MHz (space-to-Earth) overlap with other portions of the frequency bands mentioned in No. **5.254** (235-322 MHz and 335.4-399.9 MHz), both coordination under No. **9.11A** and agreement-seeking under No. **9.21** apply and the frequency assignments' status will be recorded in the MIFR with a reference to No. **5.254** in column 13B1 and "R" in column 13B2, in accordance with § 5.5 of the Rules of Procedures on No. **11.31**, footnote 1 of Appendix **5** and § 2.3 of the Rules of Procedures on No. **9.11A**.

In such cases, the notifying administration may also consider suitably modifying the assigned frequency band or to split it before its submission so that a non-GSO MSS frequency assignment in the frequency bands 312-315 MHz (Earth-to-space) or 387-390 MHz (space-to-Earth) is subject to No. **5.255** only.

5.257

- 1 Space telemetry is limited to measurements made in the spacecraft which may be:
- either made by a sensor to detect phenomena outside the spacecraft; or
 - related to the functioning of the spacecraft.

The first type normally pertains to services such as the earth exploration-satellite service or the space research service, while the second type pertains to the space operation service. This provision does not indicate the service to which the additional allocation is made. The Board understands it as being limited to space telemetry in the space operation service. Consequently, frequency assignments for telemetry (space-to-Earth) in the space operation service in the band 267-272 MHz may be used on a secondary basis without any condition. They may obtain a primary status within the territory of the notifying administration following the successful application of the procedure of No. **9.21**.

- 2 The qualification "*in their countries*" can be easily checked when an earth station is concerned, but it is unclear for a space station. The Board considers that this provision will apply to those space stations having a service area mainly limited to the territory of the notifying administration.

5.281

With respect to the French overseas departments and communities in Region 2, see comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **5.172**.

5.291

This footnote is similar to No. **5.233**; the same Rule applies.

5.312A

1 This provision stipulates through Resolution **760 (Rev.WRC-23)** that in Region 1, the use of frequency band 694-790 MHz by the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service is subject to agreement obtained under No. **9.21** with respect to the aeronautical radionavigation service in countries mentioned in No. **5.312**.

2 The criteria for identifying potentially affected administrations under No. **9.21** in this band are given in the Annex to Resolution **760 (Rev.WRC-23)** in the form of coordination distances with the most stringent value of a 450 km distance between a base station in the mobile service and a potentially affected station in the aeronautical radionavigation service.

3 Taking into account that No. **5.312** contains only a few countries while a large number of other countries of Region 1 are located at distances that are sufficiently large to exclude a potential for interference to the aeronautical radionavigation service, the Board decided that those administrations whose territories are beyond the distance of 450 km from the countries mentioned in No. **5.312** do not need to apply the No. **9.21** procedure to their mobile service assignments operating under No. **5.312A**.

4 Administrations having territories within a distance of 450 km from the countries listed in No. **5.312** are the following: Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Belarus, Bulgaria, Czech Rep., Germany, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Croatia, Italy, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Latvia, Moldova, the Former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia, Montenegro, Mongolia, Norway, Poland, Romania, the Russian Federation, Sweden, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Türkiye, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

5.312B and 5.314A
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1 These provisions stipulate that the use of the frequency bands 694-960 MHz (No. **5.312B**) and 698-960 MHz (No. **5.314A**) by high-altitude platform stations for International Mobile Telecommunication (IMT) base stations (HIBS) shall be in accordance with Resolution **213 (WRC-23)**, including the power flux-density (pfd) limits listed in *resolves* 2, 3, 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 of that Resolution.

2 Considering that neither these RR provisions nor Resolution **213 (WRC-23)** specify the propagation prediction model to be used for the calculation of pfd levels produced by HIBS, the Board decided that Recommendation ITU-R P.528-5 is to be used for the calculation of those pfd levels at 1% of time over a smooth-Earth path, produced at a height of:

- 10 m in application of *resolves* 2 and 3; and
- 1.5 m in application of *resolves* 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.

5.316B

1 This provision stipulates, *inter alia*, that in Region 1, the allocation to the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service in the frequency band 790-862 MHz is subject to agreement obtained under No. **9.21** with respect to the aeronautical radionavigation service in countries mentioned in No. **5.312**.

2 The criteria for identifying potentially affected administrations under No. **9.21** in this band are given in the Annex to Resolution **749 (Rev.WRC-23)** in the form of coordination distances with the most stringent value of a 450 km distance between a base station in the mobile service and a potentially affected station in the aeronautical radionavigation service.

3 Taking into account that No. **5.312** contains only a few countries while a large number of other countries of Region 1 are located at distances that are sufficiently large to exclude a potential for interference to the aeronautical radionavigation service, the Board decided that those administrations whose territories are beyond the distance of 450 km from the countries mentioned in No. **5.312** do not need to apply the No. **9.21** procedure to their mobile service assignments operating under No. **5.316B**.

4 Administrations having territories within a distance of 450 km from the countries mentioned in No. **5.312** are the following: Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Belarus, Bulgaria, Czech Rep., Germany, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Croatia, Italy, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Latvia, Moldova, the Former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia, Montenegro, Mongolia, Norway, Poland, Romania, the Russian Federation, Sweden, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Türkiye, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

5.327A

1 Appendix **4** does not contain data elements which would enable examination as to whether the notified frequency assignment is associated to a system that operates in accordance with recognized international aeronautical standards or to a system that operates under other standards. As the Bureau has no means to make such differentiation, the Board decided that the Bureau shall make no examination of the notified frequency assignment to a station in the aeronautical mobile (R) service (AM(R)S) from the view point of its conformity with this provision.

2 With respect to the requirements contained in *resolves* 2 and 3 of Resolution **417 (Rev.WRC-15)**, the Board decided that the Bureau shall make no examination of the notified frequency assignment to a station in the AM(R)S from the view point of its conformity with these provisions since Appendix 4 does not contain data elements which would enable to determine whether the notification is related to a Universal Access Transceiver system or to another system in the AM(R)S.

3 With respect to the power limits contained in *resolves* 6 of Resolution **417 (Rev.WRC-15)**, the Board decided that the Bureau shall check the e.i.r.p. limits for the ground based and airborne stations only for the band 960-1 164 MHz since frequency assignments to stations in the AM(R)S notified in the band 960-1 164 MHz do not contain any information concerning out-of-band emissions in the frequency band 1 164-1 215 MHz.

5.328AA

1 Appendix 4 does not contain data elements which would enable examination as to whether a notified frequency assignment in the aeronautical mobile-satellite (R) service (AMS(R)S) is associated to the space station reception of Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B) emissions from aircraft transmitters that operate in accordance with recognized international aeronautical standards or reception of emissions from aircraft transmitters that operates under other standards. As the Bureau has no means to make such differentiation, the Board decided that the Bureau shall make no examination of the notified frequency assignment in the AMS(R)S from the viewpoint of its conformity with this provision.

2 With respect to the requirements contained in *resolves* 1, 2 and 3 of Resolution **425 (Rev.WRC-19)** and in the absence of relevant data elements in Appendix 4, the Board also decided that the Bureau shall make no examination on the conformity with the above *resolves* of Resolution **425 (Rev.WRC-19)**.

5.329

Assignments to stations of the radionavigation-satellite service, if recorded, need to indicate that they shall not cause harmful interference to assignments to stations of the radionavigation service of the countries listed in No. **5.331** and to stations of the radiolocation service (Symbol R in Column 13B2 and reference to No. **5.329** in Column 13B1).

5.340

The comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **4.4** apply.

5.341A

1 This provision stipulates, *inter alia*, that in Region 1 the use of IMT stations in the frequency bands 1 427-1 452 MHz and 1 492-1 518 MHz is subject to agreement obtained under No. **9.21** with respect to the aeronautical mobile service used for aeronautical telemetry in accordance with No. **5.342**. Since No. **5.342** applies in the band 1 429-1 535 MHz, the use of IMT stations which operate in the frequency band 1 427-1 429 MHz and do not overlap into the band 1 429-1 535 MHz, used by aeronautical telemetry in the aeronautical mobile service, is not subject to the agreement obtained under No. **9.21**.

2 Taking into account that No. **5.342** contains only a few countries while a large number of other countries of Region 1 are located at distances that are sufficiently large to exclude a potential for interference to the aeronautical mobile service, the Board decided that those administrations whose territories are beyond the distance of 670 km from the countries mentioned in No. **5.342** do not need to apply the No. **9.21** procedure to their IMT stations operating under No. **5.341A**. For those administrations whose territories are closer than the distance of 670 km Section B6 applies.

3 Administrations having territories within a distance of 670 km from the countries mentioned in No. **5.342** are the following: Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Belarus, Bulgaria, Czech Rep., Germany, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Croatia, Iraq, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Latvia, Moldova, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Mongolia, Norway, Poland, Romania, the Russian Federation, Sweden, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Türkiye, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

5.346

1 This provision stipulates, *inter alia*, that the implementation of IMT in the frequency band 1 452-1 492 MHz in a number of Region 1 countries, which are listed in this footnote, is subject to agreement obtained under No. **9.21** with respect to the aeronautical mobile service used for aeronautical telemetry in accordance with No. **5.342**.

2 Taking into account that No. **5.342** contains only a few countries while a large number of the countries listed in No. **5.346** are located at the distances that are sufficiently large to exclude a potential for interference to the aeronautical mobile service, the Board decided that those administrations whose territories are beyond the distance of 670 km from the countries mentioned in No. **5.342** do not need to apply the No. **9.21** procedure to their IMT stations operating under No. **5.346**. For those administrations whose territories are closer than the distance of 670 km Section B6 applies.

3 The administration listed in No. **5.346** having territories within a distance of 670 km from the countries mentioned in No. **5.342** is Iraq.

5.351

1 This provision permits, in derogation of the definitions contained in Nos. **1.70**, **1.72**, **1.76** and **1.82**, the use of the bands allocated to a mobile-satellite service by a station at a specified fixed point (without being a coast, land, base or an aeronautical earth station).

2 The exceptional circumstances referred to in this provision cannot be evaluated by the Bureau.

3 The Board therefore concluded that assignments notified under this provision shall receive a favourable regulatory finding.

5.357

The terrestrial uses authorized by this provision appear to be closely related to the operational conditions within a combined aeronautical system using space and terrestrial radiocommunications. The Bureau has no means to verify such uses and considers this provision an additional allocation to the aeronautical mobile (R) service.

5.364

This provision contains two different types of equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) density limits for transmitting mobile earth stations in the frequency band 1 610-1 626.5 MHz, namely:

- a) peak e.i.r.p. density limit, and
- b) mean e.i.r.p. density limit.

The peak e.i.r.p. density limit is derived from the maximum power density of the assignment as submitted by the responsible administration.

For the second type, it is not clear whether it is spectral mean, or temporal mean, or spatial mean. The Board decided that, on a provisional basis, and until the relevant ITU-R Recommendation is available, the Bureau use a spectral mean e.i.r.p. density when applying this provision. This spectral mean e.i.r.p. will be derived from the mean power density of an assignment, which is obtained from its total power divided by its necessary bandwidth and multiplied by 4 kHz.

5.366

This provision is considered an additional allocation to the aeronautical radionavigation-satellite service. The comments made under No. **5.49** apply. However, when the Special Section is to be published it shall contain an indication that the assignment is for use on a worldwide basis for “*airborne electronic aids to air navigation and any directly associated ground-based or satellite-borne facilities*”.

5.376

The comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **5.357** apply.

5.388A and 5.409A

1 No. **5.388A** stipulates that the use of the frequency bands 1 710-1 980 MHz, 2 010-2 025 MHz and 2 110-2 170 MHz in Regions 1 and 3 and the frequency bands 1 710-1 980 MHz and 2 110-2 160 MHz in Region 2 by high-altitude platform stations for International Mobile Telecommunication (IMT) base stations (HIBS) shall be in accordance with Resolution **221 (Rev.WRC-23)**, including the power flux-density (pfd) limits listed in *resolves* 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4 of that Resolution.

2 No. **5.409A** stipulates that the use of the frequency band 2 500-2 690 MHz in Regions 1 and 2 and the frequency band 2 500-2 655 MHz in Region 3 by HIBS shall be in accordance with Resolution **218 (WRC-23)**, including the power flux-density (pfd) limits listed in *resolves* 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4 of that Resolution.

3 Considering that neither these RR provisions nor those Resolutions specify the propagation prediction model to be used for the calculation of pfd levels produced by HIBS, the Board decided that Recommendation ITU-R P.528-5 is to be used for the calculation of those pfd levels at 1% of time at a height of 1.5 m over a smooth-Earth path in application of the *resolves* parts of Resolutions **218 (WRC-23)** and **221 (Rev.WRC-23)**.

5.399

The Board instructed the Bureau when recording assignments to stations of the radiodetermination-satellite service operating in the frequency band 2 483.5-2 500 MHz to which this footnote applies to place Symbol R in Column 13B2 and a reference to No. **5.399** in Column 13B1.

5.415

1 In this provision, the allocation “*is limited to national and regional systems*”. The Board concluded that a national system is a system having a service area limited to the territory of the notifying administration. As a consequence of this, the regional system to which reference is made shall be considered to be an aggregate of two or more national systems; they shall be limited to the territories (which are not necessarily restricted to bordering countries) of the administrations concerned and they shall be notified by one of these administrations on behalf of all the administrations concerned. When the allocation is made to more than one Region, a regional system may cover territories in those Regions for which the allocation exists. The Board reached this conclusion keeping in mind No. **5.2.1**, relating to the interpretation of the word “*regional*” without a capital “*R*”.

2 In accordance with this provision, the fixed-satellite service is limited for use by national or regional systems in the band 2 500-2 690 MHz in Region 2 and in the bands 2 500-2 535 MHz and 2 655-2 690 MHz in Region 3. Only those assignments which satisfy the following conditions shall be considered to be in conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations:

- a) The service area for a regional system is within the Region concerned, i.e. in Region 2 only in the band 2 535-2 655 MHz or in Regions 2 and 3 in the other bands between 2 500 and 2 690 MHz and:
 - i) When an administration submits a coordination request for a service area that covers its national territory and extends beyond it, the responsible administration shall submit at the same time the list of administrations that agreed to form the regional system and the service area shall be formed accordingly. If no agreement is obtained, the service area shall be limited to its national territory;
 - ii) When an administration submits a coordination request for a service area that does not include its national territory but only territories of other administrations, it shall submit at the same time the list of administrations that agreed to form the regional system and the service area shall be formed accordingly. If no agreement is obtained, the relevant assignments shall be considered not to be in compliance with the Table of Frequency Allocations and the finding shall be unfavourable.
- b) In the case of a national system, the service area is limited to the territory under the jurisdiction of the notifying administration.
- c) If the satellite network is operated within the framework of an international system to which other countries pertain, the notice must indicate that the use is limited to the Region(s) concerned.

5.416

1) See comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **5.415** about the use limited to national and regional systems.

2) In view of the indications in this provision, the Board concluded that the reference to the coordination procedure of No. **9.19** in this provision is a matter for administrations. Consequently, at the stage of examination under No. **11.32**, the Bureau will not make any examination of the notified frequency assignment to a transmitting station of a terrestrial service or to a transmitting earth station in the FSS (Earth-to-space) from the viewpoint of its conformity with No. **9.19**.

5.418C

1 In accordance with provision No. **5.418C**, modified by WRC-03, the use of the band 2 630-2 655 MHz by geostationary-satellite networks is subject to the application of the provisions of No. **9.13** with respect to non-GSO satellite systems in the BSS (sound) pursuant to No. **5.418**, as of 3 June 2000.

2 The Board undertook an in-depth examination of the different procedures and provisions that apply to satellite systems in the band 2 630-2 655 MHz and noted the difficulty in linking No. **5.418C** reference to “*notification information*” of GSO BSS systems to the No. **22.2** application referred to in No. **5.418A**.

3 In the above context, and taking into account WRC-03 discussions and decisions, the Board understands that No. **9.13** coordination applies as described in the Table below.

GSO satellite network	Date of receipt of coordination information (No. 9.6)	Date of receipt of notification information (No. 11.2)	No. 9.13 applicability
BSS (No. 5.418)	< 3.6.2000	< 3.6.2000	NO
	< 3.6.2000	≥ 3.6.2000	NO
	≥ 3.6.2000	≥ 3.6.2000	YES

Band 2 630-2 655 MHz

1 Provisions Nos. **5.416**, **5.418**, **5.418A**, **5.418B** and **5.418C** provide information on the different constraints and procedures applying to the broadcasting-satellite service (BSS) and fixed-satellite service (FSS) in the frequency range 2 630-2 655 MHz.

2 The Board undertook an in-depth examination of the different provisions and the applicability of the different coordination procedures (space network-to-space network (Nos. **9.7**, **9.12**, **9.12A** and **9.13**)) that apply to satellite systems in the band 2 630-2 655 MHz and noted the possible difficulty in assessing the service (BSS (sound), BSS (television), FSS) and the nature of the satellite network (GSO or non-GSO) to which Nos. **5.418A**, **5.418B** and **5.418C** should apply, taking due account of the dates of reception of the complete Appendix 4 coordination or notification information, as appropriate. Indeed, in the band 2 630-2 655 MHz, No. **5.418A** refers to the application of the provisions of No. **9.12A** for non-GSO systems in the BSS (sound) in certain countries listed in No. **5.418**, in respect of GSO systems without further details on the involved services; No. **5.418B** refers to the application of the provisions of No. **9.12** for non-GSO systems in the BSS under No. **5.418**, in respect of other non-GSO systems; and No. **5.418C** refers to the application of No. **9.13** by GSO networks in respect of non-GSO systems in the BSS (sound), allocated under No. **5.418**.

3 Taking the above into account and in the light of WRC-03 discussions and decisions, in particular the addition of an explicit reference to No. **5.418** in Nos. **5.418B** and **5.418C**, the Board understands Nos. **5.418A**, **5.418B** and **5.418C** to only address cases of coordination as follows: non-GSO BSS (sound) (No. **5.418**) systems vis-à-vis any GSO systems under No. **9.12A**, and vis-à-vis any non-GSO systems under No. **9.12**, and vice versa, i.e. any GSO systems vis-à-vis non-GSO BSS (sound) (No. **5.418**) systems under No. **9.13**, and any non-GSO systems vis-à-vis non-GSO BSS (sound) (No. **5.418**) systems under No. **9.12**, as described in the Table below. This Table applies to coordination requirements between GSO and non-GSO satellite systems for which the API has been received following 1 January 1999 and complete coordination/notification information was received after 2 June 2000 in the band 2 630-2 655 MHz.

Coordination request (CR): Column vis-à-vis Row (↙) (2 630-2 655 MHz)	Non-GSO BSS (sound) ↓ (5.418)	GSO BSS ↓ (5.416 , 5.418) or FSS ↓ (Region 2)	Non-GSO BSS ↓ (5.416) or FSS ↓ (Region 2)
Non-GSO BSS (sound) ↓ (5.418)	9.12 (5.418B)	9.13 (5.418C)	9.12 (5.418B)
GSO BSS (sound) ↓ (5.416 , 5.418) or FSS ↓ (Region 2)	9.12A (5.418A)	9.7	No CR 22.2
Non-GSO BSS ↓ (5.416) or FSS ↓ (Region 2)	9.12 (5.418B)	No CR 22.2	No CR

5.429D and 5.429G

Note: WRC-23 took the following decision related to Nos. **5.429D** and **5.429G** [5.A12], see item 2.1 of the Minutes of the 12th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/527](#):

“In the application of footnotes RR Nos. 5.A12, 5.429D, RR No. 4.8 applies. The radiolocation service operating in the countries of Region 1, which are neighbouring to Region 2, has the same regulatory status in relation to the mobile service of Region 2 as the radiolocation service in Region 2. The term “neighbouring countries” mentioned in footnote RR No. 5.429D includes those countries of Region 1 which are neighbouring Region 2.”

5.434 and 5.435B

Note: WRC-23 took the following decision related to Nos. **5.434** and **5.435B** [5.36A12] for the frequency band 3 600-3 800 MHz, see item 18.1 of the Minutes of the 8th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/523](#):

“In the application of footnotes RR Nos. 5.434 and 5.36A12, the term “neighbouring countries” includes those countries of Region 1 which are neighbouring Region 2.”

5.441

1 Article **5** defines, in the band 10.7-11.7 GHz, a bidirectional allocation for the fixed-satellite service (FSS) in Region 1. Three provisions (Nos. **5.441**, **5.484** and **5.484A**) further regulate the usage of the bands. The provisions of No. **5.484** apply to the uplink (Earth-to-space) allocation for BSS feeder links. Nos. **5.441** and **5.484A** (covering parts of the band 10.7-11.7 GHz) apply to the downlink. The following problems were noted:

1.1 the Table of Frequency Allocations defines a bidirectional allocation of the whole band 10.7-11.7 GHz for the FSS in Region 1. Number **5.484** defines the uplink allocation for Region 1, while Nos. **5.441** and **5.484A** regulate the downlink use for GSO and non-GSO FSS systems. The sub-bands 10.7-10.95 GHz and 11.2-11.45 GHz, for the space-to-Earth direction, are, for GSO applications, covered by the provisions of Appendix **30B**. The up- and downlink allocations, for GSO use, are of the same category. Non-GSO uses are under equivalent power flux-density limitations defined by Article **22** and are subject to certain conditions as stipulated in No. **5.484A**. The application of No. **22.2** is described in No. **22.5I**;

1.2 the applicable Radio Regulatory procedures for the FSS are as follows:

a) Earth-to-space (No. **5.484**): 10.7-11.7 GHz (Region 1): Articles **9** and **11** apply;

b) space-to-Earth:

10.7-10.95 GHz and 11.2-11.45 GHz:

- for GSO use: Appendix **30B** (and Article **11**) apply (No. **5.441**);
- for non-GSO: Articles **9**, **11** and **22** apply.

10.95-11.2 GHz and 11.45-11.7 GHz:

- for GSO: Articles **9** and **11** apply;
- for non-GSO: Articles **9**, **11** and **22** apply.

2 The regulatory relationship between GSO FSS uses, namely the uplink (Region 1) and the downlink (Appendix **30B**) utilization of the spectrum is not covered by any Radio Regulatory procedure. The Board thus considered this situation as follows. Based on the general principle that the utilization of the spectrum by two internationally recognized applications (coordinated vs. planned use), with the same status, should be mutually taken into account even if the case is not covered by specific procedures and also on the basis of the existing analogies (Article 7 of Appendix **30**, Article 7 of Appendix **30A**, the Board considering that:

- a) up to now the Bureau has received only one case of the bidirectional use by GSO FSS of the bands 10.7-10.95 GHz and 11.2-11.45 GHz, and
- b) the complexity of the issue does not justify the establishment of a sophisticated methodology to treat this case, and thus decided that the Bureau act as follows:

2.1 Uplink FSS applications in the bands 10.7-10.95 GHz and 11.2-11.45 GHz (Article **9**)

The FSS uplink usage (according to No. **5.484**) should protect the continuing rights of the Appendix **30B** Plan as well as the entries in the Appendix **30B** List, as they evolve. To this effect the FSS uplink networks shall apply the coordination (Article **9**) and notification (Article **11**) procedures not only vis-à-vis other uplink FSS networks of the same direction (Earth-to-space) but also vis-à-vis the Plan and List entries of the opposite direction (space-to-Earth). To take into account the Appendix **30B** Plan within the Article **9** procedure, the Plan shall be considered as a coordinated usage of the spectrum. Administrations responsible for the FSS uplink shall obtain coordination agreements from those other administrations whose systems in the Plan or assignments in the List are likely to be affected. The method and criteria for the identification of the administrations to be coordinated with shall be, similar to the case of Appendix **30A** (where the same bidirectional problem exists between planned feeder links and other FSS), as follows:

- a) Since in the space-to-space interference scenario a receiving space station of the uplink FSS is subject to receive interference from a transmitting space station of the Appendix **30B** FSS Plan, and since currently an agreed method for the assessment of this interference is not available to the Bureau, assignments to receiving space stations operating in the uplink FSS submitted under Articles **9** or **11**, shall provisionally not undergo the examination relating to compatibility with Appendix **30B**. Therefore a note shall be included in the relevant Special Section to reflect the situation and a symbol shall be inserted in the Master Register to indicate that such assignments shall not claim protection from Appendix **30B**.

- b) For the compatibility assessment between earth stations (transmitting ES of the FSS uplinks and the receiving ES within the Plan allotment) the method defined in Appendix 7 will be used. The service areas defined in Appendix 30B will be extended by the coordination distance to form an “agreement area” within which a transmitting earth station of the FSS uplink has to be coordinated. For the calculation of the coordination distance the most up-to-date ITU-R Recommendation will be used.

2.2 Downlink FSS applications in the bands 10.7-10.95 GHz and 11.2-11.45 GHz (Appendix 30B, planned usage):

- a) As for the interference which is likely to be caused to FSS uplink from Appendix 30B downlink the same condition referred to in 2.1 a) above applies, i.e., in the examination of Appendix 30B Plan and List entries no account shall be taken of the FSS uplink assignments included in the MIFR with the above-mentioned symbol.
- b) As for the interference which is likely to be caused to Appendix 30B downlink receiving earth stations from FSS uplink transmitting earth stations the same condition referred to in 2.1 b) above applies.

5.441B

This provision stipulates, *inter alia*, that before an administration brings into use an IMT station in the mobile service in the frequency band 4 800-4 990 MHz, it shall ensure that the power flux-density (pfd) produced by this station does not exceed $-155 \text{ dB(W/(m}^2 \cdot 1 \text{ MHz))}$ produced up to 19 km above sea level at 20 km from the coast, defined as the low-water mark, as officially recognized by the coastal State. Resolution 223 (Rev.WRC-23) applies.

Considering that this provision and Resolution 223 (Rev.WRC-23) do not specify the propagation model to be used for the calculation of the pfd produced by IMT stations in the band 4 800 -4 990 MHz, the Board decided that Recommendation ITU-R P.528-5, for 1% of time, is to be used for this calculation.

5.444B

1 This provision limits the use of the band 5 091-5 150 MHz by the aeronautical mobile service to two different applications. However, Appendix 4 does not contain data elements which would enable examination as to whether the notified frequency assignment is associated with any of these specific applications or with other applications in the aeronautical mobile service. As the Bureau has no means to make such differentiation, the Board decided that the Bureau shall make no examination of the notified frequency assignment to a station in the aeronautical mobile service from the view point of its conformity with this provision.

2 With respect to the submissions in the aeronautical mobile (R) service, including the ones referred to in the first indent of this provision, and given the indications in *resolves* 1 of Resolution **748 (Rev.WRC-19)**, the recording of any such assignment in the MIFR will be associated with the symbol “R” in column 13B2 (“Finding observation”) and with symbol “RS748” in column 13B1 (“Finding reference”). The Board also considered that the indications in *resolves* 3 of Resolution **748 (Rev.WRC-19)**, including the reference to No. **4.10**, are intended for administrations and the Bureau shall make no examination of frequency assignments from the view point of their conformity with the conditions set forth in *resolves* 3 of Resolution **748 (Rev.WRC-19)**.

3 With respect to the submissions related to aeronautical telemetry transmissions referred to in the second indent of this provision, and in addition to the considerations in § 1 of this Rule of Procedure which are also applicable for aeronautical telemetry applications, the Board considered that the indications in *resolves* 1 and in *resolves* 2 of Resolution **418 (Rev.WRC-19)** are intended for administrations and the Bureau shall make no examination of the notified frequency assignment to a station in the aeronautical mobile service from the view point of its conformity with the conditions set forth in Annex 1 to Resolution **418 (Rev.WRC-19)**.

5.446A

1 This provision stipulates that the use of the bands 5 150-5 350 MHz and 5 470-5 725 MHz by the stations in the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service shall be in accordance with Resolution **229 (Rev.WRC-23)**. Accordingly, Resolution **229 (Rev.WRC-23)** specifies that the use of these bands, by the mobile service, will be for the implementation of wireless access systems (WAS) including radio local area networks (RLAN) (see *resolves* 1) and, in addition to this, it specifies the maximum e.i.r.p. levels for stations in the mobile service (see *resolves* 2, 3, 5 and 7).

As far as the band 5 150-5 350 MHz is concerned, the situation is rather simple, given the fact that the provisions of Resolution **229 (Rev.WRC-23)** are applicable to all stations in the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service, with the exception of cases referred to in No. **5.447**, which apply to the band 5 150-5 250 MHz and where other (e.g. less stringent) conditions may be established in the context of the application of the procedure of No. **9.21**.

On the other hand, the situation in the band 5 470-5 725 MHz is more complex, bearing in mind that other provisions are applicable to stations in the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service (e.g. those indicated in Nos. **5.451**, **5.453** and in Table **21-2** of Article **21**), which are stipulating different conditions (e.g. power limits) than the ones indicated in Resolution **229 (Rev.WRC-23)**. Consequently, administrations referred to in No. **5.453** (for the band 5 650-5 725 MHz) and in No. **5.451** (for the band 5 470-5 725 MHz) may implement other applications in the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service, which are not necessarily WAS, subject to compliance with the conditions set forth in No. **5.451** and the power limits set forth in Table **21-2** of Article **21**.

2 Given the fact that, for the implementation of WAS, high deployment densities are expected, such implementation options could be adequately covered through notifications in the form of typical stations. The notification of terrestrial stations in the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service in the form of typical stations is normally possible with no restrictions in the bands 5 150-5 350 MHz and 5 470-5 670 MHz in all countries, and in the band 5 670-5 725 MHz in the countries not mentioned in No. **5.453**. However, provision No. **11.21A**, in conjunction with Table **21-2**, does not provide for the possibility of notifying terrestrial stations in the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service, in the form of typical stations, for the band 5 670-5 725 MHz, for the countries listed in No. **5.453**. The strict application of these provisions would mean that the countries listed in No. **5.453** cannot notify their WAS applications in the form of typical stations, even though they conform with the limits of Resolution **229 (Rev.WRC-23)**. The Board concluded that such a restricted interpretation of all the relevant provisions for the band 5 670-5 725 MHz, for the countries listed in No. **5.453**, would result in unnecessary burden for both the administrations listed in No. **5.453** and the Bureau. Consequently, the Board instructed the Bureau to accept notifications for mobile, except aeronautical mobile, stations, in the form of typical stations, from the administrations listed in No. **5.453**, provided that the maximum e.i.r.p. does not exceed 1 W, which implies that each typical station notice receivable in the band 5 670-5 725 MHz (with an e.i.r.p. of less than or equal to 1 W) is deemed to be part of a WAS.

5.457D, 5.457E and 5.457F

1 These provisions stipulate that the use of the frequency bands 6 425-7 125 MHz (in Region 1 and some countries in Regions 2 and 3) and 7 025-7 125 MHz (in Region 3) by the terrestrial component of International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT) shall be in accordance with Resolution **220 (WRC-23)**.

Resolution **220 (WRC-23)** specifies the technical conditions for the terrestrial component of IMT within the band 6 425-7 125 MHz. Accordingly, *resolves* 2 of Resolution **220 (WRC-23)** specifies that in order to ensure protection for the FSS (Earth-to-space), the level of expected equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) spectral density emitted by an IMT base station as a function of the vertical angle above the horizon shall not exceed the values given in *resolves* 2 of that Resolution. No. **21.5** does not apply.

2 Considering that Appendix 4 does not contain the required data items to notify information on the expected e.i.r.p. spectral density mask specified in *resolves 2* of Resolution **220 (WRC-23)**, the Board decided that when notifying frequency assignments for use by IMT base stations subject to *resolves 2* of Resolution **220 (WRC-23)**, administrations notifying such frequency assignments (i.e. with the nature of service “IM”) in the band 6 425-7 075 MHz shall provide in the “Remarks” field of each notice a commitment that the relevant IMT base station meets the expected e.i.r.p. spectral density mask specified in *resolves 2* of Resolution **220 (WRC-23)**, for example, by the statement “complies with *resolves 2* of Res. **220**”. When examining compliance with *resolves 2* of Resolution **220 (WRC-23)**, the Bureau shall accept a notice with the commitment statement that it is in compliance with this Resolution. In the absence of such a commitment, the notified frequency assignment will receive an unfavourable regulatory finding under No. **11.31**.

5.458

There is no allocation to the Earth exploration-satellite (passive) and space research (passive) services in the frequency bands 6 425-7 075 MHz and 7 075-7 250 MHz. Notification of frequency assignments to Earth exploration-satellite (passive) and space research (passive) services in the band 6 425-7 075 MHz and 7 075-7 250 MHz will be considered by the Bureau not to be in conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations.

5.461

The Board noted that the World Radiocommunication Conference (Dubai, 2023) (WRC-23) had decided on specific conditions for the application of No. **9.21** for geostationary-satellite orbit (GSO) mobile-satellite service (MSS) networks and non-geostationary-satellite orbit (non-GSO) MSS systems in the frequency bands 7 250-7 375 MHz (space-to-Earth) and 7 900-8 025 MHz (Earth-to-space), i.e. that coordination under No. **9.21** shall not apply to GSO MSS networks for which complete coordination information is received by the Bureau as of 1 January 2025 with respect to non-GSO systems for which complete coordination or notification information, as appropriate, is received by the Bureau as of 1 January 2025.

Also, this provision stipulates that non-GSO systems for which complete coordination or notification information, as appropriate, is received by the Bureau as of 1 January 2025 shall not cause unacceptable interference to, or claim protection from, GSO MSS networks operating in accordance with the Radio Regulations.

The Board concluded that the application of No. **9.21** for satellite networks and systems in the MSS in the frequency bands 7 250-7 375 MHz (space-to-Earth) and 7 900-8 025 MHz (Earth-to-space) is as described in the Table below.

	Incoming		Existing		No. 9.21 applicability (see Preface to the BR IFIC (space services), Table 11A.1)
	Network/system	Date of receipt of coordination information (No. 9.6)	Network/system	Date of receipt of coordination (No. 9.6) or first notification information (No. 11.2)	
7 250-7 375 MHz					
GSO vs non-GSO	GSO MSS	< 01.01.2025	Non-GSO FSS or MSS	< 01.01.2025	YES (9.21/B)
	GSO MSS	>= 01.01.2025	Non-GSO FSS or MSS	< 01.01.2025	YES (9.21/B)
	GSO MSS	>= 01.01.2025	Non-GSO FSS or MSS	>= 01.01.2025	NO
	Non-GSO MSS	Any	GSO MSS or FSS	Any	YES (9.21/A)
GSO vs GSO	GSO MSS	Any	GSO MSS or FSS	Any	YES (9.21/A)
GSO, non-GSO vs terrestrial	GSO MSS Non GSO MSS	Any	Terrestrial	Any	NO ¹
7 900-8 025 MHz					
GSO vs non-GSO	GSO MSS	< 01.01.2025	Non-GSO FSS or MSS	< 01.01.2025	YES (9.21/B)
	GSO MSS	>= 01.01.2025	Non-GSO FSS or MSS	< 01.01.2025	YES (9.21/B)
	GSO MSS	>= 01.01.2025	Non-GSO FSS or MSS	>= 01.01.2025	NO
	Non-GSO MSS	Any	GSO MSS or FSS	Any	YES (9.21/A)
GSO vs GSO	GSO MSS	Any	GSO MSS or FSS	Any	YES (9.21/A)
GSO, non-GSO vs terrestrial	GSO MSS Non-GSO MSS	Any	Terrestrial	Any	YES (9.21/C)

¹ See also the Annex to the Rules of Procedure on No. 9.36.

5.461AC

This provision stipulates that, in the frequency band 7 375-7 750 MHz, non-geostationary-satellite orbit (non-GSO) systems operating in the fixed-satellite service (FSS) for which complete coordination or notification information, as appropriate, is received by the Bureau as of 1 January 2025 shall not cause unacceptable interference to, or claim protection from, geostationary-satellite orbit networks in the maritime mobile-satellite service operating in accordance with the Radio Regulations.

Since non-GSO systems in the FSS in the frequency band 7 375-7 750 MHz (space-to-Earth) are not subject to the coordination procedure under Section II of Article 9, the Board concluded that No. **5.461AC** applies to non-GSO systems operating in the FSS for which complete notification information is received by the Bureau as of 1 January 2025.

**5.474A,
5.475A,
5.478A**

1 Pursuant to Nos. **5.474A**, **5.475A** and **5.478A** of the Radio Regulations, the Board noted that the use of active sensors in the space research service (SRS) (active) in the frequency band 9 300-9 900 MHz and in the Earth exploration-satellite service (EESS) (active) in the frequency band 9 200-10 400 MHz requires demonstration of compliance of such use with those footnotes, which means that the different sub-bands may only be used in a specific order based on the increasing requirement of the necessary bandwidth of the frequency assignment under consideration:

1.1 For active sensors in both the SRS (active) and the EESS (active):

- For any frequency assignment with necessary bandwidth of 300 MHz or less, only the frequency band 9 500-9 800 MHz shall be used.
- For any frequency assignment with necessary bandwidth greater than 300 MHz but less than or equal to 500 MHz, part or the whole of the frequency band 9 300-9 500 MHz, in addition to the frequency band 9 500-9 800 MHz, shall be used.
- For any frequency assignment with necessary bandwidth greater than 500 MHz but less than or equal to 600 MHz, part or the whole of the frequency band 9 800-9 900 MHz, in addition to the frequency band 9 300-9 800 MHz, shall be used.

1.2 For the EESS (active) only, in addition to the conditions listed in § 1.1:

- For any frequency assignment with necessary bandwidth greater than 600 MHz but less than or equal to 1 200 MHz, part or the whole of the frequency bands 9 200-9 300 MHz and/or 9 900-10 400 MHz, in addition to the frequency band 9 200-9 900 MHz, may be used.

2 The Board further noted that frequency assignments to non-geostationary-satellite orbit (non-GSO) systems in the SRS (active) and the EESS (active) in the frequency band 9 300-9 900 MHz are not subject to a coordination procedure and shall therefore be submitted in an advance publication of information in accordance with Section I of Article 9.

3 Since the use of the frequency bands 9 200-9 300 MHz and 9 900-10 400 MHz by active sensors in the EESS (active) is subject to an agreement to be obtained under No. 9.21, a request for coordination shall be submitted under No. 9.30. Furthermore, the Board concluded that the use of the frequency band 9 300-9 900 MHz shall also be submitted, either at the same time or in an earlier submission, under the same satellite name (in the case of a non-GSO system, this should be done through the submission of a notice for advance publication information)¹; otherwise, the frequency assignments for the use of the EESS (active) in the frequency bands 9 200-9 300 MHz and/or 9 900-10 400 MHz submitted as part of the request for coordination shall not be considered compliant with the Table of Frequency Allocations.

4 When an administration submits a notification under No. 11.2 containing frequency assignments to a station in the EESS (active) in the frequency band 9 200-10 400 MHz and/or in the SRS (active) in the frequency band 9 300-9 900 MHz, the Board decided that the following rules shall apply:

- When an administration submits a notification for any use in the frequency band 9 300-9 500 MHz, the use of the frequency band 9 500-9 800 MHz shall also be notified in the same service and under the same satellite name, either at the same time or in an earlier submission, and the necessary bandwidth shall be greater than 300 MHz (see No. 5.475A).
- When an administration submits a notification for any use in the frequency band 9 800-9 900 MHz, the use of the frequency band 9 300-9 800 MHz shall also be notified in the same service and under the same satellite name, either at the same time or in an earlier submission, and the necessary bandwidth shall be greater than 500 MHz (see No. 5.478A).

¹ In this context, it is understood that the use of the frequency band 9 300-9 900 MHz by a GSO space station in the EESS (active) has to also be submitted in a coordination request in accordance with No. 9.7.

- When an administration submits a notification for any use in the frequency bands 9 200-9 300 MHz and 9 900-10 400 MHz, the use of the frequency band 9 300-9 900 MHz shall be notified in the EESS (active) and under the same satellite name, either at the same time or in an earlier submission, and the necessary bandwidth shall be greater than 600 MHz (see No. **5.474A**).

When the above conditions are not met, the relevant frequency assignment shall not be considered compliant with the Table of Frequency Allocations under No. **11.31** of the Radio Regulations and shall be given an unfavourable finding and returned to the notifying administration.

5 Notification submissions with separate assigned frequencies and bandwidths within the frequency bands 9 200-9 300 MHz, 9 300-9 800 MHz, 9 800-9 900 MHz and 9 900-10 400 MHz will receive separate findings based on the relevant allocation status for each of the frequency bands.

6 The Board recalled that notification submissions of a frequency assignment with an assigned frequency bandwidth overlapping the frequency band 9 800-9 900 MHz will receive a single finding based on a secondary allocation status in accordance with § 5.5 of the Rules of Procedure on No. **11.31**.

7 Finally, the Board decided that, in order for the Bureau to be able to examine the above-mentioned submissions under No. **11.31**, the information on the necessary bandwidth (item C.8.b.3.c of Annex 2 to Appendix 4) shall be provided for all such submissions, except in the case where only the frequency band 9 500-9 800 MHz is used.

5.480A

1 This provision stipulates that the use of the frequency band 10-10.5 GHz (in some Region 2 countries) by the terrestrial component of International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT) shall be in accordance with Resolution **219 (WRC-23)**.

2 Appendix 4 does not contain data items providing information that would enable examination of the compliance with the requirements of *resolves* 3, 4 and 5 of Resolution **219 (WRC-23)**.

Consequently, the Board decided that when administrations notify frequency assignments for use by IMT base stations subject to *resolves* 3, 4 and 5 of Resolution **219 (WRC-23)** (i.e. with the nature of service “IM”) in the frequency band 10-10.5 GHz, they shall provide in the “Remarks” field of each notice a commitment that the IMT base station meets the levels specified in *resolves* 3, 4 and 5 of Resolution **219 (WRC-23)**, for example, by the statement “complies with *resolves* 3, 4 and 5 of **Res. 219**”. When examining compliance with *resolves* 3, 4 and 5 of Resolution **219 (WRC-23)**, the Bureau shall accept such a notice with the commitment statement that it is in compliance with the Resolution. In the absence of such a commitment, the notified frequency assignment will receive an unfavourable regulatory finding under No. **11.31**.

5.484

See comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **5.441**.

5.485

1 The wording of this provision raised the following basic question: “Is the band 11.7-12.2 GHz in Region 2 allocated to the broadcasting-satellite service?” The Board considered the following:

- a) that the provision is not titled an “*additional allocation*”. Some provisions do not have such a title and the Board considered them additional allocations. However, in this case, it is not clear that the intent was to permit an additional allocation;

- b) the provision states that “*transponders on space stations in the fixed-satellite service may be used additionally ... in the broadcasting-satellite service*”: the use of the word “*additionally*”, together with the last sentence saying that “*this band shall be used principally for the fixed-satellite service*”, leads to the understanding that the use by the broadcasting-satellite service is not of the same nature as would be the use of a given band by a service to which the band is allocated;
- c) the provision refers to transponders, which are to be considered transmitting stations. As the procedures of Article 9 apply to each assignment, each transponder shall be considered independently from the others. Consequently the provision may be interpreted in either of the following two ways:
- a first interpretation consists in considering that some transponders will be used for the FSS and others for the BSS, and this is equivalent to a sharing of the band between two services which raises a question about the word “*principally*”: how many transponders would be allowed for each of the two services?
 - a second interpretation consists in considering that a given transponder of the FSS may be used in a given period of time for broadcasting (this is not to be confused with the use of the FSS for the transport of a video signal between two fixed points). If in such a case the provision was to be considered an additional allocation, a question arises in relation to the procedure to be applied: Should it be the relevant provisions in Article 9 for the FSS or for the BSS?

2 Keeping in mind the above comments, the Board concluded that the band 11.7-12.2 GHz is not allocated in Region 2 to the broadcasting-satellite service. Those transponders of the fixed-satellite service which are used for broadcasting-satellite purposes will be treated in accordance with the relevant provisions in Article 9 for the FSS (and Appendix 30 if required to define inter-regional sharing). When such a use is indicated in the notice, the Bureau will assume that the coordination of the network was made on the basis that for the period during which a transponder is used for broadcasting, the e.i.r.p. will not exceed the e.i.r.p. notified for the fixed-satellite service. Considering that the fixed-satellite service uses relatively low e.i.r.p., the Bureau will consider the value of 53 dBW to be a limit not to be exceeded.

5.488

Application of power flux-density (pfd) No. 9.14 coordination thresholds (Region 2 GSO FSS in the band 11.7-12.2 GHz) to steerable beams

1 Use of steerable beams is becoming widespread. pfd values produced by assignments in steerable beams often exceed the applicable pfd coordination thresholds for some or all positions of those beams. In these cases, administrations tend to state that pfd coordination thresholds will not be exceeded and sometimes provide appropriate technical description as to how it would be done.

2 For the purpose of transparency and to set an upper limit on the acceptable extent of the pfd control and avoid subjectivity in the evaluation of the pfd control method, the Board concluded that until the time that a relevant ITU-R Recommendation is available, the following Rule will apply on a provisional basis.

3 In cases where frequency assignments in steerable beams of a GSO FSS satellite network operating in the band 11.7-12.2 GHz exceed, for certain positions of these beams, the pfd thresholds that trigger coordination under No. 9.14 in respect to stations of terrestrial services, the Bureau will establish that coordination is not required only if:

- a) there is at least one position of the steerable beam where the applicable pfd coordination thresholds are not exceeded without any reduction of the notified power density; and
- b) the administration states that for the other positions of the steerable beam the applicable pfd coordination thresholds will not be exceeded by applying a method, the description of which should be submitted to the Bureau. One possible example of such a method is described in the Annex to the Rule relating to No. 21.16.

5.492

1 The Board concluded that the frequency bands covered by Appendix **30** are not allocated to the FSS in the Regions where the BSS is subject to the Plan of Appendix **30**. Those transponders of the BSS which are also used for FSS purposes will be treated in accordance with Article 5 of Appendix **30**.

2 Earth stations receiving FSS transmissions from the BSS transponders will be treated as earth stations of the BSS and are not to be notified as individual earth stations.

5.496

1 The fixed and mobile (except aeronautical mobile) services in the countries listed in this provision:

- have equal rights with the FSS in the countries of the footnote and in the relations between them, and the coordination under No. **9.17** and No. **9.18** shall be applied;
- shall be operated under No. **5.43** with respect to the FSS in the other countries of Region 1, and coordination under No. **9.17** cannot be imposed on earth stations. The fixed and mobile stations shall apply coordination under No. **9.18**;
- have equal rights with the services to which the band is allocated in Regions 2 and 3.

2 The comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **5.164** apply.

5.502

1 As from 5 July 2003, No. **5.502** specifies a minimum antenna diameter of 1.2 and 4.5 m for an earth station of a GSO and non-GSO fixed-satellite service network, respectively, in the frequency band 13.75-14 GHz. Submission of information on antenna diameter became mandatory as from 1 January 2004, with the entry into force of Appendix **4** as modified by WRC-03. To cover the examination of submissions received in the period between these two dates, the Bureau is instructed to use the following maximum earth station antenna gains instead of antenna diameter: maximum antenna gain of 42.3 dBi for $D = 1.2$ m and 53.8 dBi for $D = 4.5$ m (the relation between gain and diameter is derived for the lowest frequency of the band, i.e. $f = 13.75$ GHz, and an antenna efficiency of 57.2%).

2 Power flux-density (pfd) limits of No. **5.502** are applicable as from 5 July 2003. In accordance with Appendix 4 as modified by WRC-03 (data element A.16.b) administrations are required to provide commitment of compliance with these limits when notifying or coordinating a specific earth station with a diameter ≥ 1.2 m and < 4.5 m. Where, for submissions received between 5 July 2003 and 1 January 2004 (date of entry into force of modified Appendix 4), administrations have not provided the commitment, the Bureau shall establish favourable finding and request the responsible administrations to submit the commitment after 1 January 2004. If the commitment is not submitted within 30 days of the request, the finding shall be changed to unfavourable.

5.503

1 In No. **5.503**, maximum e.i.r.p. density of emissions from a transmitting earth station in the FSS in the frequency band 13.77-13.78 GHz are specified. Non-compliance with these limits results in an unfavourable finding under No. **9.35/11.31**. No. **5.503** also permits these limits to be exceeded to compensate for rain attenuation as long as the power flux-density at the FSS space station does not exceed the value resulting from the use by an earth station of an e.i.r.p. meeting the limits in clear-sky conditions. However, No. **5.503** and Appendix 4 do not specify which value for the power-density and total power of an emission (with maximum antenna gain they form on-axis e.i.r.p density and e.i.r.p.) is to be provided:

- i) those prevailing in clear-sky conditions, or

- ii) those prevailing during rainfall.

The Board therefore decided that, for frequency assignments to which No. **5.503** applies, administrations shall provide clear-sky values of maximum power-density (Appendix 4 data item C.8.a.2 or C.8.b.2) and maximum power of emissions (Appendix 4 data item C.8.a.1 or C.8.b.1), when requesting coordination or notifying satellite networks or earth stations. This shall apply to coordination requests and notifications received as from 1 January 2009.

2 In No. **5.503**, WRC-03 included e.i.r.p. density limits for earth stations as a function of antenna diameter. These limits are applicable as from 5 July 2003. Antenna diameter not being available before 1 January 2004 (see the Rule relating to No. **5.502**), the Bureau shall use the following e.i.r.p. density limits, as a function of maximum earth station antenna gain (or antenna diameter), for examination of submissions received between 5 July 2003 and 1 January 2004.

e.i.r.p. density limits in frequency band 13.77-13.78 GHz for earth stations in the FSS operating with GSO space station		
Earth station antenna size (measured by diameter, D (m) or maximum antenna gain, G (dBi))	For emissions with necessary bandwidth	
	≥ 40 kHz	< 40 kHz
$42.3 \text{ dBi} \leq G < 53.8 \text{ dBi}$ $(1.2 \text{ m} \leq D < 4.5 \text{ m})$	$0.04324 \times 10^{G/20} + 28 \text{ dB(W/40 kHz)}$ $(4.7D + 28 \text{ dB(W/40 kHz)})$	
$53.8 \text{ dBi} \leq G < 70.8 \text{ dBi}$ $(4.5 \text{ m} \leq D < 31.9 \text{ m})$	$G - 4.6 \text{ dB(W/40 kHz)}$ $(49.2 + 20 \log(D/4.5) \text{ dB(W/40 kHz)})$	56.2 dB(W/4 kHz)
$G \geq 70.8 \text{ dBi}$ $(D \geq 31.9 \text{ m})$	$66.2 \text{ dB(W/40 kHz)}$	

The conversion of e.i.r.p. limits from a function of antenna diameter to a function of maximum antenna gain is derived for a frequency of 13.75 GHz and an antenna efficiency of 57.2%.

5.504B

With respect to the observance of mandatory power flux-density limits and other conditions of Recommendation ITU-R M.1643-0 (in consequence of the modification of No. **5.504B** by WRC-15), applicable under Nos. **5.504B**, **5.504C**, **5.508A** and **5.509A** to aircraft earth stations operating in the secondary aeronautical mobile-satellite service, the Board is of the opinion that this is an operational matter. It is therefore for the notifying administration of the satellite network and notifying administrations of aircraft earth stations to ensure the observance of those limits. The Bureau will not perform examination under No. **9.35/11.31** with respect to conformity with those conditions.

5.504C

See Rules of Procedure relating to No. **5.504B**.

5.506A

As from 5 July 2003, No. **5.506A** requires ship earth stations in the frequency band 14-14.5 GHz with an e.i.r.p. greater than 21 dBW to operate under the same conditions as earth stations located on board vessels, as provided in Resolution **902 (Rev.WRC-23)**. While Annex 2 of that Resolution specifies a minimum antenna diameter of 1.2 m, Appendix 4 does not include antenna diameter of these ship earth stations as a required data element. The Bureau is instructed to use antenna gain value of 42.5 dBi when checking the compliance with the minimum ship earth station antenna diameter requirement (the relation between gain and diameter is derived for the lowest frequency of the band, i.e. $f = 14$ GHz, and antenna efficiency of 57.2%).

5.508A

See Rules of Procedure relating to No. **5.504B**.

5.509A

See Rules of Procedure relating to No. **5.504B**.

**5.509D and
5.509E**

When an administration submits a notification or a request for coordination for a frequency assignment to a space station of a satellite network subject to Resolutions **163 (WRC-15)** or **164 (WRC-15)**, the notice should include a commitment by the administration, as required under § A.16 *c*) of Annex 2 to Appendix 4, indicating that any earth station associated with the filed satellite network will meet the separation distance as specified in No. **5.509E** and the power flux-density limits as specified in No. **5.509D**.

The Board decided to instruct the Bureau to use the commitment under § A.16 *c*) in its examination under No. **9.35/11.31** of a frequency assignment of a satellite network with respect to its conformity with No. **5.509D** and No. **5.509E**.

However, the Bureau's regulatory examination under No. **11.31** of a frequency assignment to an earth station notified under Article 11 will include checking for conformity with the limits of power-flux density produced by this earth station under No. **5.509D** and the distance indicated in No. **5.509E**.

For the examination under No. **5.509D**, the Bureau shall calculate the power flux-density under free-space propagation condition for all altitudes within line-of-sight up to 19 000 m above sea level at 22 km seaward from all coasts based on the IDWM (ITU's Digitized World Map).

5.523B, 5.523C, 5.523D, 5.523E

Provisions Nos. **5.523B**, **5.523C**, **5.523D** and **5.523E** provide information on the different constraints and procedures applying to the FSS in the frequency range 19.3-19.7 GHz. The Board studied the interrelationship between the different FSS usages and also vis-à-vis the terrestrial stations. The Tables relative to 19.3-19.6 GHz and 19.6-19.7 GHz bands below contain the Board's conclusions on this matter.

Table 19.3-19.6 GHz

Coordination request (CR): Column vis-à-vis Row (7)	Non-GSO FSS ↑ (MSS feeder-link) (RR No.)	Non-GSO FSS ↓ (MSS feeder-link) (RR No.)	Non-GSO FSS ↓ (other) (RR No.)	GSO FSS ↓ (CR < 18.11.95) (RR No.)	GSO FSS ↓ (18.11.95 ≤ CR) (RR No.)	Terrestrial (RR No.)
Non-GSO FSS ↑ (MSS feeder-link)	9.12 (5.523B)	9.12 (5.523B/5.523D)	No CR (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523C)	9.12A (5.523B)	--- (5.523B)
Earth station	---	9.17A	9.17A	9.17A	9.17A	9.15
Non-GSO FSS ↓ (MSS feeder-link)	9.12 (5.523B/5.523D)	9.12 (5.523D)	No CR (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	9.12A (5.523D)	--- pfd limits (5.523D)
Earth station	9.17A	---	---	---	---	9.15
Non-GSO FSS ↓ (other)	No CR (5.523D)	No CR (5.523D)	No CR (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	--- pfd limits (5.523D)
Earth station	9.17A	---	---	---	---	9.17
GSO FSS ↓ (CR < 18.11.95)	22.2 (5.523C)	22.2 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	9.7	---	--- pfd limits
Earth station	9.17A	---	---	---	---	9.17
GSO FSS ↓ (18.11.95 ≤ CR)	9.13 (5.523B)	9.13 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	9.7	9.7	--- pfd limits
Earth station	9.17A	---	---	---	---	9.17
Terrestrial	---	9.16 (5.523D)	9.18 (5.523D)	9.18	9.18	---

Table 19.6-19.7 GHz

CR request: Column vis-à-vis Row (7)	Non-GSO FSS ↑ (MSS feeder-link) (RR No.)	Non-GSO FSS ↑ (other) (RR No.)	Non-GSO FSS ↓ (MSS feeder-link) (RR No.)	Non-GSO FSS ↓ (other) (RR No.)	GSO FSS ↑ (CR < 21.11.97) (RR No.)	GSO FSS ↓ (CR < 21.11.97) (RR No.)	GSO FSS ↑ (21.11.97 ≤ CR) (RR No.)	GSO FSS ↓ (21.11.97 ≤ CR) (RR No.)	Terrestrial (RR No.)
Non-GSO FSS ↑ (MSS feeder-link)	9.12	9.12	9.12	No CR	22.2 (5.523E)	22.2 (5.523E)	9.12A (5.523D)	9.12A (5.523D)	(5.523D)
Earth station	---	---	9.17A	9.17A	---	9.17A	---	9.17A	9.15
Non-GSO FSS ↑ (other)	9.12	9.12	9.12	No CR	22.2 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	9.12A (5.523D)	9.12A (5.523D)	(5.523D)
Earth station	---	---	9.17A	9.17A	---	9.17A	---	9.17A	9.15
Non-GSO FSS ↓ (MSS feeder-link)	9.12	9.12	9.12 (5.523D)	No CR (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523E)	22.2 (5.523E)	9.12A (5.523D)	9.12A (5.523D)	pdf limits (21/Section V) (5.523D)
Earth station	9.17A	9.17A	---	---	9.17A	---	9.17A	---	9.15
Non-GSO FSS ↓ (other)	No CR	No CR	No CR (5.523D)	No CR (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	pdf limits (21/Section V) (5.523D)
Earth station	9.17A	9.17A	---	---	9.17A	---	9.17A	---	9.17
GSO FSS ↑ (CR < 21.11.97)	22.2 (5.523E)	22.2 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523E)	22.2 (5.523D)	9.7	9.7	---	---	---
Earth station	---	---	9.17A	9.17A	---	9.17A	---	9.17A	9.17
GSO FSS ↓ (CR < 21.11.97)	22.2 (5.523E)	22.2 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523E)	22.2 (5.523D)	9.7	9.7	---	---	pdf limits (21/Section V)
Earth station	9.17A	9.17A	---	---	9.17A	---	---	---	9.17
GSO FSS ↑ (21.11.97 ≤ CR)	9.13 (5.523E)	9.13 (5.523D)	9.13 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	---
Earth station	---	---	9.17A	9.17A	---	9.17A	---	9.17A	9.17
GSO FSS ↓ (21.11.97 ≤ CR)	9.13 (5.523D)	9.13 (5.523D)	9.13 (5.523D)	22.2 (5.523D)	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	pdf limits (21/Section V)
Earth station	9.17A	9.17A	---	---	9.17A	---	9.17A	---	9.17
Terrestrial	---	---	9.16 (5.523D)	9.18 (5.523D)	---	9.18	---	9.18	---

5.529A

This provision stipulates that, in the frequency bands 20.2-21.2 GHz and 30-31 GHz, non-geostationary-satellite orbit (non-GSO) systems for which complete coordination or notification information, as appropriate, is received by the Bureau as of 1 January 2025 shall not cause unacceptable interference to, or claim protection from, geostationary-satellite orbit networks in the mobile-satellite service (MSS) operating in accordance with the Radio Regulations.

Since non-GSO systems in the fixed-satellite service (FSS) or MSS in the frequency bands 20.2-21.2 GHz and 30-31 GHz are not subject to the coordination procedure under Section II of Article 9, the Board concluded that No. **5.529A** applies to non-GSO systems operating in the FSS or MSS for which complete notification information is received by the Bureau from 1 January 2025.

5.538

For uplink power control beacons, this provision sets an e.i.r.p. limit “*in the direction of adjacent satellites on the geostationary-satellite orbit*”.

The Board is of the opinion that the intention of this provision is to protect parts of the GSO arc adjacent to the satellite under examination in the direction “laterally tangential to the GSO at the position of the network under examination.”

5.543

The Board concluded that this provision is an additional allocation to the Earth exploration-satellite service for inter-satellite links. The use of the words “*telemetry, tracking, and control purposes*” leads the Board to understand that the use is limited to space operation.

5.554

This provision does not provide additional allocation for the FSS in the frequency bands specified therein. It authorizes links between land stations at specified fixed points within the MSS or radionavigation-satellite service. A land station in the context of the latter two services means a land earth station, which, in accordance with its definition, is a feeder-link earth station. Therefore, a space or earth station in the FSS (class of station EC or TC) is not authorized in the frequency bands listed in No. **5.554** (except in the band 123-130 GHz where there is an FSS allocation) and links between specific (as opposed to typical) feeder-link earth stations (e.g. class of station VA, or TI, or the like) are authorized within the MSS or radionavigation-satellite service.

5.556

There is no allocation to radio astronomy in the bands listed in this provision. The Board concluded that the words “*national arrangements*” are referring to arrangements to be made in each country. These arrangements are not required to be communicated to the Bureau. Notifications of frequency assignments to radio astronomy stations in these bands will be considered by the Bureau not to be in conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations.

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The information on the effected coordination referred to in this provision, when communicated to the Bureau, will be recorded in the Master Register with a reference to this provision.

Rules concerning the Receivability of forms of notice generally applicable to all notified assignments submitted to the Radiocommunication Bureau in application of the Radio Regulatory Procedures*

1 Submission of information in electronic format

1.1 Space services

The Board noted the requirement for mandatory electronic filing and submission of comments/objections and requests for inclusion or exclusion specified in the *resolves* of Resolution **55 (Rev.WRC-23)**. It also noted that capture and validation software had been made available to administrations by the Bureau, including software to submit information required in Annex 2 of Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** and in the Attachment to Resolution **553 (Rev.WRC-23)**. Accordingly, all information indicated in the *resolves* of Resolution **55 (Rev.WRC-23)**, in Annex 2 of Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** and in the Attachment to Resolution **553 (Rev.WRC-23)** under § 8 and § 9, shall be submitted to the Bureau in electronic format which is compatible with the BR electronic notice form capture software (SpaceCap and GIMS) and comments/objections software (SpaceCom)¹, using the ITU web interface “e-Submission of satellite network filings” available at <https://www.itu.int/itu-r/go/space-submission>.

* **Note:** WRC-15 took the decision related to the Rule of Procedure on the Receivability of forms of notice during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CMR15/505, with the approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to Section 3.2.2.4.1 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), as follows:

“For the submission of a request for coordination under No. 9.30 related to a non-GSO satellite network or system, the notice will be receivable only in the cases described below:

- i) satellite systems with one (or more than one) set(s) of orbital characteristics and inclination value(s) with all frequency assignments to be operated simultaneously; and,*
- ii) satellite systems with more than one set of orbital characteristics and inclination values with, however, a clear indication that the different sub-sets of orbital characteristics would be mutually exclusive; in other terms, frequency assignments to the satellite system would be operated on one of the sub-sets of orbital parameters to be determined at the notification and recording stage of the satellite system at the latest.”*

¹ Except comments submitted in accordance with §§4.1.7, 4.1.9, 4.1.10 of Article 4 of Appendix **30** and **30A** with respect to additional uses under Article 4 and use of the guardbands under Article 2A of those Appendices in Region 1 and Region 3.

1.2 Terrestrial services

Submission of frequency assignment/allotment notices for terrestrial services in the context of Articles 9, 11, 12 and Appendix 25 of the Radio Regulations and various regional agreements shall be made exclusively via the ITU web interface *WISFAT* (Web Interface for Submission of Frequency Assignments/allotments) available at <https://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/wisfat/en>. It should also be noted that the Bureau has made available to administrations through the BR IFIC a software tool TerRaNotices for creating and validating notices by the Bureau. Additionally, an online validation tool is accessible via the ITU website at: <https://www.itu.int/ITU-R/eTerrestrial/Account/Login>.

2 Receipt of notices

It is incumbent on all administrations to meet deadlines established in the Radio Regulations and, accordingly, to take account of possible mail delays, holidays or periods during which ITU may be closed².

Having regard to the electronic submissions of notices and various means available for transmission of related correspondence, the Board has decided the following:

2.1 Electronic submissions of notices

- a) Notices submitted using “e-Submission of satellite network filings” for space services or via WISFAT for terrestrial services shall be recorded as received on the actual date of receipt, irrespective of whether or not that is a working day at the ITU/BR’s offices in Geneva.
- b) Notices submitted using “e-Submission of satellite network filings” for space services or via WISFAT for terrestrial services do not require any separate confirmation by telefax or mail.
- c) Receipt of notices related to space services shall be acknowledged immediately by ITU/BR e-mail. Receipt of notices related to terrestrial services is acknowledged immediately by a message sent by WISFAT automatically.

² The Radiocommunication Bureau shall inform administrations by circular letter at the beginning of each year, and as appropriate, about holidays or periods in which ITU may be closed in order to assist them in meeting their obligations.

2.2 Correspondence related to submission of notices

- a)* Mail received through the postal service³ shall be recorded as received on the first working day on which it is delivered to the ITU/BR's offices in Geneva. Where the mail is subject to a regulatory time limit that occurs on a date on which the ITU is closed, the mail should be accepted if it has been recorded as received on the first working day following the period of closure.
- b)* E-mail and telefax documents shall be recorded as received on the actual date of receipt, irrespective of whether or not that is a working day at the ITU/BR's offices in Geneva.
- c)* All mail must be sent to the following address:

Radiocommunication Bureau
International Telecommunication Union
Place des Nations
CH-1211 Geneva 20
Switzerland

- d)* All telefaxes must be sent to:

+41 22 730 57 85 (several lines)

- e)* All e-mails must be sent to:

brmail@itu.int

- f)* Information received in the ITU/BR by e-mail shall be acknowledged immediately by e-mail by the ITU/BR.

³ Includes courier, messenger or other services.

3 Establishment of a formal date of receipt of information in accordance with Annex 2 to Appendix 4

3.1 According to provisions Nos. **11.28**⁴ and **11.29**, complete notices are examined by date order of their receipt and the Bureau cannot act upon a notice having a technical bearing on an earlier notice until the earlier notice has been dealt with. While similar provisions do not exist in all the regulatory procedures defined in the Radio Regulations, nevertheless, several other provisions tacitly require the same general concept. The Board decided that the principle of treatment by date order of receipt of any submission is to be applied in each of the procedures described in Articles **9** and **11**, Appendices **30**, **30A** and **30B** and Resolutions containing specific procedures. When more than one submission is received on the same date, all those submissions shall be mutually taken into account.

3.2 In order to establish a formal date of receipt for the purpose of treatment of the submissions (notices for advance publication under Sub-Section IA of Article **9**, request for coordination, modification to the Region 2 Plan or proposed new or modified assignments in the Regions 1 and 3 Lists under Article 4 of Appendices **30** or **30A**, proposed new or modified assignments in the guardbands to provide space operation functions under Article 2A of Appendices **30** or **30A**, or request for application of Articles 6 or 7 of Appendix **30B**, and notifications for recording in the Master International Frequency Register (Master Register)), the Bureau shall examine *inter alia* the completeness and correctness of the information submitted by administrations. It shall also take account of the requirements of No. **9.1** when establishing the formal date of receipt of notification information with respect to the date of publication (when coordination is not required by Section II of Article **9**) of advance information.

3.3 Considering the requirement for mandatory electronic filing and availability to administrations of capture and validation software, where a notice received by the Bureau does not contain all of the mandatory information as defined in Annex 2 of Appendix **4** or appropriate reason for any omissions, the Bureau shall regard the notice as incomplete. The Bureau shall immediately inform the administration and seek the information not provided. Further processing of the notice by the Bureau will remain in abeyance and a formal date of receipt (see § 3.1 above) will not be established until the missing information is received. The formal date of receipt will be the date of receipt of the missing information (see also § 3.6 to 3.10 below).

⁴ The Board notes that there is an inconsistency between the English (and Spanish) and French texts of provision No. **11.28**. While the English (and Spanish) texts stipulate that “*it shall be examined in the date order of their receipt*”, the French text stipulates that “... *il les examinera dans l'ordre ou il les reçoit*”. There is no mention of “*date*” in the French text. The current practice of processing in the date order of their receipt will continue until the matter is considered by the next WRC.

3.4 The latest version of the validation software available to administrations, as advised by Circular Letter, is used by the Bureau when assessing the completeness of Appendix 4 Forms of Notice. Administrations are encouraged to run the validation software themselves in order to overcome any difficulties in the notices before they are submitted to the Bureau.

3.5 After processing the Appendix 4 Form of Notice as set out in § 3.3, if the Bureau finds that further clarification is required concerning the correctness of the mandatory data submitted, it shall request the administration responsible for the station or network to provide the clarification within 30 days, otherwise it shall establish the formal date of receipt as that recorded in accordance with § 2 and § 3.2 above.

3.6 If the information or clarification is provided within that period of 30 days (counted from the date of the dispatch of Bureau's message), the date of receipt established by the Bureau in accordance with § 2 and § 3.2 above will be considered as the formal date of receipt for the purpose of any subsequent processing of the notice.

3.7 Nevertheless, for replies received within the above period of 30 days, a new formal date of receipt is established in those cases (or for the concerned part of the station or network) where the information submitted subsequently is outside the scope and beyond the objective of the Bureau's enquiry pursuant to § 3.5 above, if the new or modified data has impact on the regulatory and technical examination, irrespective of whether the newly provided information adds new affected administrations or not. See also the Rules of Procedure relating to provision No. **9.27**.

3.8 If the information or clarification is not provided within the above period of 30 days, the submission shall be considered incomplete and the Bureau will establish no formal date of receipt. A new formal date of receipt will be established when the complete information is received.

3.9 One year after the Bureau sought information under § 3.3 or 3.5, as appropriate, unless otherwise specified in the relevant procedure, any pending submissions containing incomplete information shall be returned to the notifying administration.

3.10 In case of the request for deletion of an assignment, a group of assignments, an emission, beams or other characteristics of a satellite network or satellite system, two situations may arise:

- a) The satellite network or satellite system in question has not yet been examined and published by the Bureau. In that case, the initial formal date of receipt will be maintained for the remaining part of the satellite network or system, if any.
- b) The satellite network or satellite system in question has already been examined and published by the Bureau. In that case, the request for deletion shall be published in a modification to the previously published relevant Special Section and the technical bearing of the deletion will be examined by the Bureau in the date order of receipt of the request.

4 Other non-receivable submissions

There are, in addition to the above case of incomplete notice, other circumstances when a notice is not receivable. These cases are described in the following non-exhaustive paragraphs.

4.1 A notification received by the Bureau earlier than the date limits prescribed in provisions No. **11.25** (date limits relate to the date of bringing into use of a station in a space service) is not receivable and shall be returned to the administration responsible for the network.

4.2 (Not used)

4.3 The Radio Regulations prescribe, in some cases, the application of multiple procedures, which have to be applied, for the same stations or satellite network, one after another. In such cases, a notice for a particular procedure is receivable only if the previously applicable procedure has been effected.

4.3.1 A notification under Article **11** is not receivable if the coordination request, where applicable, was not received for the satellite network (No. **9.6** refers) and shall be returned to the notifying administration.

4.3.2 A notification under Article **11** is not receivable if the advance publication information under Sub-Section IA of Article **9**, where applicable, was not received for the satellite network and shall be returned to the notifying administration.

4.3.3 A notification of frequency assignments of an earth station under Article **11** is not receivable if the advance publication information or coordination request, as appropriate, was not received for the associated space station. If the frequency assignments notified under Article **11** for the associated space station are not received nor recorded in the MIFR within the regulatory time-limit, the frequency assignments notified for the earth station shall be suppressed from the MIFR.

4.3.4 For frequency assignments to inter-satellite links, a notification under Article **11** is not receivable if the corresponding advance publication information or coordination request, as appropriate, for the associated satellite network has not been received. Consequently, such frequency assignments shall be returned to the notifying administration.

4.4 A notification, received under Article 8 of Appendix **30B** and Article **11** relating to a satellite network/system for which the regulatory time limit (8 or 7 years, as appropriate) has expired, is not receivable and shall be returned to the notifying administration.

4.5 Whenever the Bureau returns a form of notice, the necessary justification for such an action shall be provided to the notifying administration.

5 Submission of notification information of a non-geostationary satellite system before the publication of the coordination request of that system

When Administrations submit modifications to coordination requests of non-geostationary satellite systems towards the end of the 7-year regulatory period in order to better reflect the actual operations of their systems, these modifications are often submitted as additions of a mutually exclusive configuration to the existing coordination request, since it keeps the other published configurations of the non-geostationary satellite system unaffected by the modification, notably in the event of an unfavourable finding of the Bureau. However, depending on the date of submission of such modifications, the end of the 7-year regulatory period may occur before the publication of the latest modified coordination request.

In such a case, the Administration may face uncertainties as to whether the latest modification complies with No. **11.31** and therefore can be subsequently notified successfully. In order to alleviate this uncertainty while maintaining the requirement to notify before the end of the 7-year period (see No. **11.44.1**), the Board decided that the Bureau shall adopt the following course of actions:

- 1 The notifying administration may submit in the notification files two (and only two) mutually exclusive configurations:
 - a) one identified as the preferred configuration and associated with the technical parameters contained in the latest modified coordination request, which is not yet published; and
 - b) one (and only one) identified as the fallback configuration and associated with one of the mutually exclusive configurations that is already published.
 - 2 The Bureau shall make available such notification submissions as received on the Bureau's website, as for any other submissions.
 - 3 Considering that the Bureau is ultimately going to only examine one of the configurations, the Bureau shall first examine and publish the latest modified coordination request before proceeding with the publication of the Part I-S associated to the notification submission. The Bureau shall inform the notifying administration of this course of action.
 - 4 If the modified coordination request associated with the preferred configuration only contains favourable findings (and, in the case where this modified coordination request contains a request to maintain the same date of protection as the original coordination request, the date is maintained in application of the Rules of Procedure on No. **9.27**), then the Bureau shall process the preferred configuration contained in the notification without further request to the notifying administration. In the case where this modified coordination request contains some unfavourable findings or the date of protection is not maintained as in the original coordination request despite a request from the notifying administration to do so, the Bureau shall consult the notifying administration to know which of the two configurations this administration wants to notify.
 - 5 The Bureau shall then publish the Part I-S of this notification submission with only one configuration as explained in item 4 and start the examination procedure that will lead to the publication of Part II-S/III-S, as appropriate.
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**Rules concerning the treatment by the Radiocommunication Bureau
of requests for coordination under Article 9 or notification under Article 11
of the Radio Regulations submitted to the Bureau as of the first day after a
WRC but before the effective date of entry into force of the WRC new
or updated frequency allocations¹**

For a coordination request or notification notice including a frequency assignment under a new or updated allocation adopted by a WRC and received by the Bureau as of the first day after the Conference, the conformity of the frequency assignments, with the Table of Frequency Allocations is considered through the examinations under No. **9.35** (with respect to the conformity with No. **11.31**) or No. **11.31**, as appropriate, and the findings of the Bureau will reflect the status of the frequency assignment with respect to the conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations. The Board decided that the following categories of the No. **11.31** finding shall be formulated according to the dates of receipt of the concerned request for coordination or notification notice and the dates of bringing the frequency assignment into use:

- a) the finding is favourable if, at the date of receipt by the Bureau of the coordination request or notification notice, the frequency allocation concerned is in force;
- b) the finding is unfavourable if, at the date of receipt by the Bureau of the coordination request or notification notice, the frequency allocation concerned has not yet been adopted by the conference;
- c) the finding is “qualified favourable” if, at the date of receipt by the Bureau of the coordination request or notification information, the frequency allocation concerned has been adopted by the conference but is not yet in force. This finding will permit a network subject to coordination procedure under Section II of Article **9** to coordinate its assignments and to be taken into account in the application of No. **9.27**, and for a network not subject to Section II of Article **9** to be processed under No. **11.36**;
- d) the “qualified favourable” finding will become favourable after the date of coming into force of the frequency allocation and upon confirmation that the date of bringing the frequency assignment into use is actually after the date of entry into force of the subject frequency allocation. Otherwise the finding will become unfavourable.

Except for examination of conformity with the frequency allocation mentioned above, the concerned requests for coordination and notification notices shall be examined under No. **9.36** and with respect to conformity with No. **11.31** and No. **11.32** using the conditions applying to the new or update frequency allocation on the date of entry into force of this allocation as adopted by the WRC (e.g. power limits, coordination criteria...).

¹ This Rule of Procedure refers to Article **9** and **11** of the Radio Regulations.

Rules concerning the treatment of change of Notifying administration which acts as the notifying administration of a satellite network on behalf of a group of named administrations

9.1, 9.6.1, 11.15.1, AP30 (4.1.25, 4.1.3, 4.2.6, 5.1.1), AP30A (4.2.6, 4.1.25, 4.1.3, 5.1.2), AP30B (2.6, 6.1)

1 Change of Notifying Administration

Certain provisions of the Radio Regulations (Nos. **9.1, 9.6.1, 11.15.1**, Appendix **30** (§ **4.1.25, 4.1.3, 4.2.6** and **5.1.1**), Appendix **30A** (§ **4.2.6, 4.1.25, 4.1.3** and **5.1.2**), Appendix **30B** (§ **2.6** and **6.1**)) allow for an administration to act on behalf of a group of named administrations for the purpose of notifying the Radiocommunication Bureau of frequency assignments to satellite networks. In such cases, the administration acting on behalf of the group is designated notifying administration for the group within the meaning of the Radio Regulations.

In some cases, the above-mentioned provisions are used for the benefit of an intergovernmental organization (a grouping of States constituted on the basis of an international treaty and having its own common organs).

On several occasions, intergovernmental satellite telecommunication organizations have requested the Bureau to make a change in their notifying administration. In order to clarify the conditions under which the Bureau can effect a change in the name of the notifying administration and update its various databases and the Preface to the BR IFIC (Space Services) (Table 2 and 12A/B), the Board has concluded as follows:

- When an intergovernmental satellite telecommunication organization wishes to designate a new notifying administration vis-à-vis ITU for its satellite networks, the Bureau shall effect the corresponding modifications upon receipt of due written notification to that effect by the legal representative of the intergovernmental organization in question under the terms of its constitutive Act. This notification shall include the evidence of agreement from the newly named administration to act as the notifying administration on behalf of the intergovernmental organization.

Rules related to satellite systems submitted by an administration acting on behalf of a group of named administrations

9.1.1, 9.6.1, 11.15.1, AP4 Annex 2 items A.1.f.2 and A.1.f.3, AP30 (4.1.3, 4.1.25, 4.2.6, 5.1.1), AP30A (4.1.3, 4.1.25, 4.2.6, 5.1.2), AP30B (2.6, 6.1)

Certain provisions of the Radio Regulations (Nos. **9.1.1, 9.6.1, 11.15.1**, Appendix **30** (§§ 4.1.3, 4.2.6 and 5.1.1, see also § 4.1.25), Appendix **30A** (§§ 4.1.3, 4.2.6 and 5.1.2, see also § 4.1.25), Appendix **30B** (§§ 2.6 and 6.1)) allow for an administration to act on behalf of a group of named administrations for the purpose of notifying the Bureau of frequency assignments to satellite systems. In such cases, the administration acting on behalf of the group is designated as the notifying administration for the group within the meaning of the Radio Regulations. These provisions share the common feature (albeit expressed in different manners) that, whenever an administration acts on behalf of a group of named administrations, all members of the group retain the right to respond in respect of their own services which could affect or be affected by the proposed assignment.

For the implementation of these provisions, symbols of “Intergovernmental satellite organizations” (see Table 2 of the Preface to the BR IFIC for Space Services), irrespective of the legal status of the group of administrations forming the entity, shall be created. Such symbols shall be submitted to the Bureau under item A.1.f.3 of Annex 2 to Appendix 4 (*“if the notice is submitted on behalf of an intergovernmental satellite organization, the symbol of that organization (see the Preface)”*). Satellite filings bearing such a symbol shall be treated separately from filings submitted by the notifying administration on its own behalf: the special sections¹ of such satellite filings show the notifying administration labelled as ADM/ORG, where ADM is the symbol of the notifying administration and ORG the symbol of the intergovernmental satellite organization (instead of being simply labelled ADM). Moreover, the coordination requirements of the satellite system of ADM/ORG shall include the coordination requirements with respect to ADM if the relevant coordination thresholds are exceeded. This method ensures the appropriate implementation of the right of *“all members of the group (...) to respond in respect of their own services”*.

In parallel, the Bureau can list several administrations under item A.1.f.2 of Annex 2 to Appendix 4 (*“if the notice is submitted by the notifying administration in association with other administrations, the symbols of each of the administrations (see the Preface)”*) without the creation of “Intergovernmental satellite organizations”. In these cases, the notifying administration shall be labelled ADM and no coordination requirements with other satellite systems and terrestrial services of that notifying administration shall be considered. In other terms, the right of the notifying administration of the group to respond in respect of its own services is not applied to these cases (other administrations of the group do however retain this right).

¹ Throughout this Rule of Procedure, the term “special section” may also refer to Parts I-S, II-S or III-S, as appropriate.

The following table shall apply for treatment of notices submitted by an administration acting on behalf of a group of named administrations depending on whether the group is submitted through item A.1.f.2 or A.1.f.3 of Annex 2 to Appendix 4.

Note: some intergovernmental satellite organizations have more than one notifying administration. In such a case, the following table is applicable separately for each notifying administration in respect of the satellite system for which it acts as the notifying administration on behalf of the group of named administrations.

	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.2 (list of administrations)	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.3 (intergovernmental satellite organization)
1. Creation of the group of named administrations		
<p><u>Case 1-1</u>: the group is created when administration ADM submits a satellite system on behalf of administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc.</p>	<p>A special section is published with ADM as the notifying administration and administrations ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. listed under item A.1.f.2. In special sections where coordination requirements are listed, coordination may be required with regards to administrations ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. but not with regards to administration ADM.</p>	<p>A code ORG for the group of administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. is created and inserted in Table 2 of the Preface. A special section is published with ADM/ORG as the notifying administration. Administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. may or may not be listed in item A.1.f.2, at the request of the notifying administration. In special sections where coordination requirements are listed, coordination may be required with regards to administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. but not with regards to ADM/ORG.</p>
<p><u>Case 1-2</u>: the group is created when notifying administration ADM, on behalf of administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc., requests to do so on an existing ADM satellite system.</p>	<p>A modification to the last special section of the existing satellite system is published with ADM as the notifying administration and administrations ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. listed under item A.1.f.2. The list of coordination requirements² is unchanged.</p>	<p>A code ORG for the group of administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. is created and inserted in Table 2 of the Preface. Modifications to all the special sections of the existing satellite system are published with ADM/ORG as the notifying administration. Administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. may or may not be listed in item A.1.f.2, at the request of the notifying administration. Notifying administration ADM has to clarify in its request the coordination status of its other satellite systems with regards to the satellite system for which the change is requested. Depending on the information provided by administration ADM, the list of coordination requirements of the existing satellite system may have to be revised.</p>

² In the case of PART-II-S, the term “coordination requirements” encompasses coordination requirements for which an agreement has been obtained, or for which the application of RR No. **11.32A** or No. **11.41** has led to favourable findings by the Bureau.

	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.2 (list of administrations)	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.3 (intergovernmental satellite organization)
<p>2. Modification (including closure) of the group of named administrations</p> <p><u>Case 2-1</u>: Administration ADM_3 joins the group</p>	<p>A modification to the last special section of the existing satellite system(s) is published with ADM as the notifying administration and administrations ADM_1, ADM_2, ADM_3, etc. listed under item A.1.f.2.</p> <p>The list of coordination requirements is unchanged.</p>	<p>The list of administrations for the organization ORG is updated in Table 2 of the Preface by including administration ADM_3.</p> <p>A modification to the last special section is necessary if a group of administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. has also been listed in item A.1.f.2, at the request of the notifying administration.</p> <p>The list of coordination requirements is unchanged.</p>
<p><u>Case 2-2</u>: Administration ADM_1 leaves the group</p>	<p>A modification to the last special section of the existing satellite system(s) is published with ADM as the notifying administration and administration ADM_1 removed from the list published under item A.1.f.2.</p> <p>Administration ADM annexes a copy of the letter of consent from administration ADM_1 to leave the group.</p> <p>The list of coordination requirements is unchanged.</p>	<p>The list of administrations for the organization ORG is updated in Table 2 of the Preface by removing administration ADM_1.</p> <p>A modification to the last special section is necessary if a group of administrations ADM, ADM_1, ADM_2, etc. has been listed in item A.1.f.2, at the request of the notifying administration.</p> <p>The list of coordination requirements is unchanged.</p>
<p><u>Case 2-3</u>: Notifying administration ADM leaves the group</p>	<p>Notifying administration ADM cannot leave the group without suppressing the satellite system.</p>	<p>Notifying administration ADM cannot leave the group without requesting the BR, or RRB, to change the notifying administration (see Case 2-4 below).</p>

	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.2 (list of administrations)	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.3 (intergovernmental satellite organization)
<u>Case 2-4</u> : The group decides to change its notifying administration	WRC-19 decided that the Board shall deny such requests (see Section 3 of Document CMR19/569).	Possible based on the Rules of Procedure concerning the treatment of change of notifying administration which acts as the notifying administration of a satellite system on behalf of a group of named administrations. RRB to consider the matter on a case-by-case basis if the Rules are not applicable.
<u>Case 2-5</u> : The group decides to transfer the satellite system to one of its members, acting independently of the group	The satellite system shall not be transferred to another notifying administration.	RRB to consider the matter on a case-by-case basis. WRC-19 confirmed the approach so far used by the Board for treating such cases and further decided that a letter from an appropriate responsible authority of this intergovernmental satellite organization is required to confirm their agreement with the change of notifying administration (see Section 3 of Document CMR19/569).
<u>Case 2-6</u> : The group decides to transfer the satellite system to an administration, which is not a member of the group	The satellite system shall not be transferred to another notifying administration.	The satellite system shall not be transferred to another notifying administration. WRC-19 decided that the Board shall deny such requests (see Section 3 of Document CMR19/569).
<u>Case 2-7</u> : The group is discontinued	If the notifying administration ADM does not request the suppression of the satellite system(s), a modification to the last special section of the existing satellite system(s) is published with ADM as the notifying administration and all administrations removed from the list published under item A.1.f.2. The list of coordination requirements is unchanged.	Unless for situations addressed under Case 2-5, the existing satellite systems are suppressed.

	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.2 (list of administrations)	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.3 (intergovernmental satellite organization)
<p>3. Issues concerning the correspondence and regulatory actions related to a satellite system submitted on behalf of a group of named administrations</p> <p>Note – In treating regulatory actions affecting satellite systems submitted on behalf of an intergovernmental satellite organization, the Bureau shall exercise additional care in order to ensure that such regulatory actions, in particular partial or total suppressions, are requested on behalf of the group of named administrations. When the notifying administration ADM/ORG requests the partial or total suppression of a satellite system, the written confirmation from a legal representative of the intergovernmental satellite organization shall be provided together with the request.</p>		
Which administration can request regulatory actions (ADD, MOD, SUP) on the satellite system?	Only the notifying administration ADM	Only the notifying administration ADM/ORG on behalf of the group
Which administration exchanges correspondence on the satellite system with the Radiocommunication Bureau?	Only the notifying administration ADM	Only the notifying administration ADM/ORG on behalf of the group

	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.2 (list of administrations)	Group of named administrations submitted through item A.1.f.3 (intergovernmental satellite organization)
<p>4. Issues related to cost recovery</p> <p>Is a notice submitted on behalf of a group of named administrations subject to free entitlement?</p>	<p>Yes, but only the annual free entitlement from the notifying administration can be used.</p> <p>Note: If the notifying administration uses a free entitlement for the group, the notifying administration cannot use the free entitlement for one of its own submissions.</p>	<p>Yes, but only the annual free entitlement from the notifying administration can be used.</p> <p>Note: If the notifying administration uses the free entitlement for the group, the notifying administration cannot use the free entitlement for one of its own submissions.</p>
<p>Is there any cost recovery fee specifically related to the creation, modification or closure of a group of named administrations?</p>	<p>Such requests are currently free of charge, because it does not involve a detailed technical examination by the Bureau.</p>	<p>Such requests are currently free of charge, because it does not involve a detailed technical examination by the Bureau.</p>

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 9 of the RR*

9.3

See comments relating to the exclusion of the territory made under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.50**.

9.5

This provision concerns the publication of administrations' comments after the publication by the Bureau of advance publication information of a satellite network or a satellite system that are not subject to the coordination procedures of Section II of Article 9. The Bureau, using the information received from administrations, will publish a summary of the comments received under No. **9.3** together with the report submitted by the administration responsible for the network under No. **9.4**, if any, in a manner that correctly reflects the situation.

When the administration responsible for the network or any other administration having submitted comments finds the published summary unsatisfactory, the Bureau will publish that administration's comments in extenso.

Coordination of frequency assignments (Article 9, Section II)

9.6

1 Based on an analysis of Articles 9 and 11 and Appendix 5, the Board agreed that as far as coordination requests, submitted to the Bureau under Nos. **9.30** or **9.32** (space network coordination cases), are concerned:

- a) publication, under No. **9.38**, of requests for coordination shall be made in the order of their date of receipt (see also the general Rules of Procedure on Receivability);
- b) the intent of Nos. **9.6** (**9.7** to **9.21**), **9.27** and Appendix 5 is to identify to which administrations a request for coordination is to be addressed, and not to state an order of priorities for rights to a particular orbital position;
- c) the coordination process is a two way process. This understanding was included in the Radio Regulations by WARC Orb-88 with the adoption of the former RR provision No. **1085A** which was confirmed by WRC-97 in No. **S9.53**;

* This Rule of Procedure refers to Articles 9, 11, to Articles 4 and 5 of Appendices 30 and 30A, and to Articles 6 and 8 of Appendix 30B of the Radio Regulations.

d) in the application of Article 9 no administration obtains any particular priority as a result of being the first to start either the advance publication phase (Section I of Article 9) or the request for coordination procedure (Section II of Article 9).

2 Cases of continuing disagreement or unsuccessful coordination (See No. 9.65) are dealt with in Article 11 where the goal of the procedures, i.e. the international recognition of frequencies, is secured through the recording of frequency assignments in the Master Register (see also Nos. 11.32A, 11.33, 11.41 and 11.41A).

9.11A

1 With the provisional date of entry into force of the “Simplified Radio Regulations” on 1 January 1999, the provisions of No. 9.11A, relating to Nos. 9.12 to 9.16 and 9.17A as appropriate together with associated part of Appendix 5 as well as the relevant provisions of Article 11 replace Resolution 46 (Rev.WRC-97)*.

2 Application of No. 9.11A to different services/frequency bands

2.1 This provision does not specifically define the services to which the coordination procedure required under Nos. 9.12 to 9.16 applies.

2.2 Administrations found some difficulties in applying the equivalent procedure contained in Resolution 46 (Rev.WRC-97)* now incorporated in Articles 9, 11 and Appendix 5 with respect to certain categories of services. The question was whether, in addition to the space services specifically mentioned in the footnotes (MSS and radiodetermination-satellite service as well as non-GSO MSS feeder links and non-GSO FSS), the procedure is applicable or not to the other terrestrial and space services not specifically mentioned in the appropriate footnotes.

2.3 While recognizing the difficulties of harmonizing the text of the footnotes to Article 5 introduced by WARC-92, WRC-95 and WRC-97 on the one hand and the text of the provision of Nos. 9.11A (including Nos. 9.12 to 9.16) and 9.17A, as appropriate with respect to the services to which this provision is applicable, on the other hand, the Board concluded that the procedure is applicable to all other space and terrestrial services with respect to those satellite services having allocations with equal rights and mentioned in the specific footnotes to which this provision applies. The frequency bands are those to which, in a footnote, reference is made to this provision in the Table of Frequency Allocations (see Tables 9.11A-1 and 9.11A-2 below). In these Tables, there is an indication of those other space services

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(in addition to the MSS and radiodetermination-satellite service as well as non-GSO MSS feeder links and non-GSO FSS included in the footnotes) to which this coordination procedure shall also apply. This application is subject to the same condition as that of the space services specifically mentioned in the footnotes, e.g. the coordination of space stations of the other space services (space-to-Earth), with respect to terrestrial services, is required only if the threshold values indicated in Annex 1 to Appendix 5 are exceeded.

2.4 WRC-2000 decided to delete Table S5-1A of Appendix S5 subject to the condition that it be included in a Rule of Procedure with appropriate modifications (e.g. inclusion of terrestrial services, etc.) (minutes of the Plenary (B.17) refer). The extended version of the above-mentioned Table is contained in Tables 9.11A-1 and 9.11A-2, based on the following considerations:

- a) No. 9.15 applies to a specific earth station or typical earth station of a non-GSO satellite network in a frequency band allocated with equal rights to space and terrestrial services, where the allocation to the space service (non-GSO) includes Earth-to-space and/or space-to-Earth direction and for which the requirement to coordinate refers to No. 9.11A, i.e. coordination of a transmitting earth station in respect of receiving terrestrial stations and coordination of a receiving earth station in respect of transmitting terrestrial stations, if the coordination area of the earth station in a non-GSO satellite network includes the territory of another country (see also Appendix 5).
- b) No. 9.16 applies to a transmitting station of a terrestrial service in a frequency band allocated with equal rights to space and terrestrial services, where the allocations to the space service (non-GSO) includes space-to-Earth direction and for which the requirement to coordinate refers to No. 9.11A, i.e. coordination of a transmitting terrestrial station within the coordination area of a receiving earth station in a non-GSO satellite network.

2.5 The Board studied the applicability of Nos. 9.15 and 9.16 vis-à-vis Nos. 9.17 and 9.18 and concluded that:

- a) coordination requirements under Nos. 9.15 and 9.16 shall apply only to earth stations of a non-geostationary-satellite network in a space service for which the requirement to coordinate is specified in a footnote to the Table of Frequency allocations referring to the provisions of No. 9.11A; and
- b) in all other cases, No. 9.17 or No. 9.18 shall apply, as appropriate.

3 Frequency allocation matters

3.1 The Board studied the relationship between the date of implementation of the new procedure and the date of entry into force of those allocations the associated footnote of which includes a reference to No. 9.11A. The Board's conclusions are as follows.

3.2 WRC-97, in its Resolution **54 (WRC-97)*** instructed the Bureau to apply the provisions of Resolution **46 (Rev.WRC-97)**/No. S9.11A** as of 22 November 1997 to those bands in which the Resolution is mentioned even though the footnotes to the Table of Frequency Allocations are not in force until a later date. The Board understands that the earlier date of implementation of the procedure does not influence the date of entry into force of the related allocations. Tables 9.11A-1 and 9.11A-2 below contain indications on the dates of entry into force of the allocations concerned with the application of No. **9.11A**.

4 Application of the procedure for “existing” networks

4.1 The Board noted that:

- a) As of 18 November 1995, in the frequency bands 18.9-19.6 GHz and 28.7-29.4 GHz, and on 22 November 1997, in the frequency bands, 19.6-19.7 GHz, and 29.4-29.5 GHz to which the No. **S9.11A/Resolution 46**** was referred by WRC-95 and WRC-97, as appropriate, some GSO satellite systems were already under the coordination (former Article 11 of the RR) or Master Register recording (former Article 13 of the RR) procedures (complete Appendix **S4/3** information had been received by the Bureau) and some non-GSO systems were under the Master Register recording procedure (complete Appendix **S4/3** information had been received by the Bureau under former Article 13 of the RR). On the basis of WRC-97 decisions (see Nos. **S5.523A**, **S5.523C**, **S5.523D**, **S5.523E**) these networks are not subject to the application of No. **S9.11A/§ 2.1** and **2.2** of Annex 1 to Resolution **46**** (to “*effect*” coordination). This means that, when they are examined under the notification procedure of Article **S11**, the provisions of No. **S11.32** with respect to the application of No. **S9.11A** will not apply with respect to them and that GSO satellite networks already under coordination on 18 November 1995 or 22 November 1997, in the appropriate bands, will not be published by the Bureau in a Special Section in the application of No. **S9.11A**. The Rules of Procedure relating to No. **S5.523A** also apply.
- b) As of 18 November 1995, in the frequency bands 18.8-18.9 GHz and 28.6-28.7 GHz, to which the No. **S9.11A/Resolution 46**** was referred by WRC-97, some GSO satellite systems were already under the coordination (former Article 11 of the RR) or Master Register recording (former Article 13 of the RR) procedures (complete Appendix **S4/3** information had been received by the Bureau before 18 November 1995) and some non-GSO systems were under the Master Register recording procedure (complete Appendix **S4/3** information had been received by the Bureau under former Article 13 of the RR before 18 November 1995). On the basis of WRC-97 decisions (*resolves* 1 and *instructs the* Radiocommunication Bureau of Resolution **132 (WRC-97)***** and

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** *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-03.

*** *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-07.

No. **S5.523A**) these networks are not subject to the application of No. **S9.11A**/§ 2.1 and 2.2 of Annex 1 to Resolution **46*** (to “*effect*” coordination). This means that, when they are examined under the notification procedure of Article **S11**, the provisions of No. **S11.32** with respect to the application of No. **S9.11A** will not apply with respect to them and that GSO satellite networks already under coordination at that date (18 November 1995) in the above-mentioned bands, will not be published by the Bureau in a Special Section in the application of No. **S9.11A**. The Rules of Procedure relating to No. **S5.523A** also apply.

However, GSO and non-GSO satellite systems in the frequency bands 18.8-18.9 GHz and 28.6-28.7 GHz, which were at the stage of coordination (under former Article 11 of the RR) procedure in the period between 18 November 1995 and 17 February 1996¹ are subject to application of § 2.1 and 2.2 of Annex 1 of Resolution **46 (Rev.WRC-95)*** (to “*effect*” coordination). This means that, when they are examined under the notification procedure of Article **S11**, the provisions of No. **S11.32** with respect to the application of No. **S9.11A** will apply with respect to them and these networks already under coordination or under Master Register recording in that period in the above-mentioned bands, will be published by the Bureau in a Special Section in the application of No. **S9.11A/Resolution 46***.

- c) GSO satellite networks (under coordination or coordinated under provisions other than No. **S9.11A/Resolution 46***) as well as GSO and non-GSO cases notified to the Bureau under former Article 13 of the RR before 18 November 1995 will be taken into account in the coordination process under No. **S9.11A** initiated by other administrations after 18 November 1995 or 22 November 1997, as appropriate, in application of No. **S9.27**.

4.2 One of the new frequency bands allocated by WRC-95 to MSS feeder links (FSS allocation limited to this use in the space-to-Earth direction) is the band 6 700-7 075 MHz. The band had already been allocated to the FSS (Earth-to-space) and a portion of the band (6 725-7 025 MHz) is used through the application of the Appendix **S30B** (allotment) Plan. From the establishment of maximum pfd limits to be observed by non-GSO MSS feeder links at the GSO and within a sector of $\pm 5^\circ$ included in the provisions of § 2.2 of Annex 1 to Appendix **S5** and of No. **S22.5A** (for the protection of emissions in the Earth-to-space direction received by GSO space stations), the Board understands that, when applying No. **S9.11A** to MSS feeder links, Appendix **S30B** entries (Part A allotments, Part B or List assignments) in the band 6 725-7 025 MHz or other GSO receiving space stations (operating in the Earth-to-space direction) in the bands 6 700-6 725 MHz and 7 025-7 075 MHz, shall not be taken into account under No. **S9.27**.

¹ Between 18 February 1996 and 22 November 1997, the use of this frequency was frozen by WRC-95.

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TABLE 9.11A-1
Applicability of the provisions of Nos. 9.11A-9.14 to stations of space services

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (MHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to Nos. 9.11A, 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13 or 9.14, as appropriate	Other space services or systems to which Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provisions(s) apply equally, as appropriate	Applicable Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provision(s), as appropriate	Terrestrial services in respect of which No. 9.14 apply equally	Notes
117-975-137	5.198A	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R) (non-GSO)	---	9.12, 9.14	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (OR) (5.201, 5.202)	
137-137.025	5.208	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R) (non-GSO)	---	9.12		
	5.208	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	SPACE OPERATION METEOROLOGICAL-SATELLITE SPACE RESEARCH	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED (5.204, 5.205) LAND MOBILE (5.204, 5.205) MARITIME MOBILE (5.204, 5.205) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (OR) (5.204, 5.206) BROADCASTING (5.207)	1
137.175-137.825	5.208	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	SPACE OPERATION (with the exception of short-duration mission (non-GSO) in accordance with Resolution 660 (WRC-19) (See No. 5.209A)) METEOROLOGICAL-SATELLITE SPACE RESEARCH	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED (5.204, 5.205) LAND MOBILE (5.204, 5.205) MARITIME MOBILE (5.204, 5.205) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (OR) (5.204, 5.206) BROADCASTING (5.207)	1
137.025-137.175 137.825-138	5.208	Mobile-satellite (non-GSO)	---	9.12, 9.14	Fixed (in countries other than those listed in Nos. 5.204 and 5.205) Land mobile (in countries other than those listed in Nos. 5.204 and 5.205) Maritime mobile (in countries other than those listed in Nos. 5.204 and 5.205) Aeronautical mobile (OR) (in countries other than those listed in Nos. 5.204 and 5.206) --- (See No. 5.219)	
148-149.9	5.219	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	---	9.12		
149.9-150.05	5.220	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	---	9.12		1
312-315	5.255	Mobile-satellite (non-GSO)	Mobile-satellite (GSO)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13		
387-390	5.255	Mobile-satellite (non-GSO)	Mobile-satellite (GSO)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13		
399.9-400.05	5.220	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	---	9.12		
400.15-401	5.264	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	METEOROLOGICAL-SATELLITE SPACE RESEARCH	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED (5.262) MOBILE (5.262) METEOROLOGICAL AIDS --- (See Nos. 5.286B and 5.286C)	1
454-455	5.286A	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (5.286D, 5.286E)	---	9.12		
455-456 459-460	5.286A	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 2 (5.286E))	---	9.12	--- (See Nos. 5.286B and 5.286C)	

TABLE 9.11A-1 (continued)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (MHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to Nos. 9.11A, 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13 or 9.14, as appropriate	Other space services or systems to which Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provisions(s) apply equally, as appropriate	Applicable Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provision(s), as appropriate	Terrestrial services in respect of which No. 9.14 apply equally	Notes
1 164-1 215	5.328B	RADIONAVIGATION-SATELLITE ↓ ↔	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	7
1 215-1 260	5.328B	RADIONAVIGATION-SATELLITE ↓	--- (See No. 5.332)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	--- (See No. 5.329)	
1 215-1 300	5.328B	RADIONAVIGATION-SATELLITE ↔	--- (See No. 5.332 and 5.329A)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	--- (See No. 5.329)	7
1 260-1 300	5.328B	RADIONAVIGATION-SATELLITE ↓	EARTH EXPLORATION-SATELLITE (active) SPACE RESEARCH (active)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	--- (See No. 5.329)	
1 518-1 525	5.348	MOBILE-SATELLITE (except USA (5.344)) ↓	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED MOBILE (except on the territory of USA in Region 2, see No. 21.16)	
1 525-1 530	5.354	MOBILE-SATELLITE ↓	SPACE OPERATION (No. 9.14, Region 2 only, see No. 21.16) ↓	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED (Region 1, Region 3, see also No. 5.352A) LAND MOBILE (5.349) MARITIME MOBILE (5.349) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (5.342, 5.350)	
1 530-1 535	5.354	MOBILE-SATELLITE ↓	SPACE OPERATION ↓	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (5.342)	
1 535-1 545	5.354	MOBILE-SATELLITE ↓	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 545-1 550	5.354	MOBILE-SATELLITE ↓	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R) (5.357)	3
1 550-1 555	5.354	MOBILE-SATELLITE ↓	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED (5.359) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R) (5.357)	3
1 555-1 559	5.354	MOBILE-SATELLITE ↓	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED (5.359)	
1 559-1 610	5.328B	RADIONAVIGATION-SATELLITE ↓	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 559-1 610	5.328B	RADIONAVIGATION-SATELLITE ↔	--- (See No. 5.329A)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	7
1 610-1 621.35	5.364	MOBILE-SATELLITE RADIOTERMINATION-SATELLITE (Region 2 (except country in No. 5.370), countries in No. 5.369) ↑	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R) (5.367) ↕ ↔	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 621.35-1 626.5	5.364	MOBILE-SATELLITE RADIOTERMINATION-SATELLITE (Region 2 (except country in No. 5.370), countries in No. 5.369) ↑	MARITIME MOBILE SATELLITE AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R) (5.367) ↕ ↕ ↔	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	

TABLE 9.11A-1 (continued)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (MHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to Nos. 9.11A, 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13 or 9.14, as appropriate	Other space services or systems to which Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provisions(s) apply equally, as appropriate	Applicable Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provision(s), as appropriate	Terrestrial services in respect of which No. 9.14 apply equally	Notes
1 621.35-1 626.5	5.365	MARITIME MOBILE SATELLITE	MOBILE-SATELLITE RADIODETERMINATION-SATELLITE (Region 2 (except country in No. 5.370), countries in No. 5.369) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R) (5.367)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED (5.359)	
1 610-1 613.8	5.364	Radiodetermination-satellite (Region 1 (5.371), Region 3, country in No. 5.370))	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 613.8-1 621.35	5.364	Radiodetermination-satellite (Region 1 (5.371), Region 3, country in No. 5.370))	Mobile-satellite	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 621.35-1 626.5	5.364	Radiodetermination-satellite (Region 1 (5.371), Region 3, country in No. 5.370))	Mobile-satellite except maritime mobile satellite	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 613.8-1 621.35	5.365	Mobile-satellite	Radiodetermination-satellite (Region 1 (5.371), Region 3, country in No. 5.370))	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	Fixed (5.355)	
1 621.35-1 626.5	5.365	Mobile-satellite except maritime mobile satellite	Radiodetermination-satellite (Region 1 (5.371), Region 3, country in No. 5.370))	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	Fixed (5.355)	
1 626.5-1 660.5	5.354	MOBILE-SATELLITE	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 668-1 668.4	5.379B	MOBILE-SATELLITE	SPACE RESEARCH	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 668.4-1 670	5.379B	MOBILE-SATELLITE	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
1 670-1 675	5.379B	MOBILE-SATELLITE	METEOROLOGICAL-SATELLITE	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	6
1 980-2 010	5.389A	MOBILE-SATELLITE	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
2 010-2 025	5.389C	MOBILE-SATELLITE (Region 2)	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
2 160-2 170	5.389C	MOBILE-SATELLITE (Region 2)	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED (Region 2) MOBILE (Region 2) (see also No. 5.389E)	
2 170-2 200	5.389A	MOBILE-SATELLITE	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED MOBILE (see also No. 5.389F)	
2 483.5-2 500	5.402	MOBILE-SATELLITE RADIODETERMINATION-SATELLITE	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	FIXED MOBILE RADIOLOCATION (Region 2, Region 3) (see also No. 5.398A & 5.399)	
2 500-2 520	5.414	MOBILE-SATELLITE (Region 3)	FIXED SATELLITE (Region 2 and Region 3); RADIODETERMINATION-SATELLITE (5.404)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14* * Only applicable to MSS in J and I/ND (see No. 5.414A)	FIXED LAND MOBILE MARITIME MOBILE	

TABLE 9.11A-1 (continued)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (MHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to Nos. 9.11A, 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13 or 9.14, as appropriate	Other space services or systems to which Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provisions(s) apply equally, as appropriate	Applicable Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provision(s), as appropriate	Terrestrial services in respect of which No. 9.14 apply equally	Notes
2 520-2 535	5.403	MOBILE-SATELLITE (except AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE) (Region 3)	BROADCASTING-SATELLITE, FIXED SATELLITE (Region 2 and Region 3) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (countries in No. 5.415A)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14* * Only applicable to MSS, including AMSS in J and IND (see Nos. 5.414A and 5.415A)	FIXED LAND MOBILE MARITIME MOBILE	
2 630-2 655	5.418A 5.418B 5.418C	BROADCASTING-SATELLITE (sound) (5.418)	BROADCASTING-SATELLITE (5.416) FIXED-SATELLITE (Region 2)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	4, 5
2 655-2 670	5.420	MOBILE-SATELLITE (except AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE) (Region 3)	BROADCASTING-SATELLITE FIXED SATELLITE (Region 2 and Region 3)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
2 670-2 690	5.419	MOBILE-SATELLITE (Region 3)	FIXED SATELLITE (Region 2 and Region 3)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
5 010-5 030	5.328B	RADIONAVIGATION-SATELLITE	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
5 030-5 091	5.443D	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R)	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13, 9.14	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R)	
5 091-5 150	5.444A	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
5 150-5 216	5.447A 5.447B	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	RADIODETERMINATION-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (5.446), with date of bringing into use prior to 17.11.1995 (see No. 5.447C)	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
5 216-5 250	5.447A	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
6 700-7 075	5.458B	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	FIXED-SATELLITE (non GSO) in bands 6 700-6 725 MHz and 7 025-7 075 MHz	9.12		

TABLE 9.11A-1 (continued)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (GHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to Nos. 9.11A, 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13 or 9.14, as appropriate	Other space services or systems to which Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provisions(s) apply equally, as appropriate	Applicable Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provision(s), as appropriate	Terrestrial services in respect of which No. 9.14 apply equally	Notes
10.7-11.7	5.441 5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) ↓	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1) ↑	9.12	---	
11.7-12.2	5.488	FIXED-SATELLITE (GSO) (Region 2) ↓	---	9.14	FIXED (except in United States of America and Mexico (see No. 5.486), in the band 11.7-12.1 GHz) FIXED (Regions 1 and 3) and in Peru, (see No. 5.489), in the band 12.1-12.2 GHz MOBILE except aeronautical mobile (Regions 1 and 3)	
11.7-12.5	5.484A 5.487A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) ↓	---	9.12	---	
12.5-12.7	5.484A 5.487A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) ↓	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1) ↑ BROADCASTING-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 3) ↓	9.12	---	
12.7-12.75	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1 and Region 3) ↓	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1 and Region 2) ↑ BROADCASTING-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 3) ↓	9.12	---	
12.75-13.25	5.441	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) ↑	---	9.12	---	
13.75-14.5	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) ↑	---	9.12	---	
15.43-15.63	5.511A	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links) ↑	---	9.12	---	
17.3-17.7	5.516	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1 and Region 3) ↑	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1 and Region 2) ↓ BROADCASTING-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 2)	9.12	---	
17.7-17.8	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 2) ↓	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1) ↓ FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1 and Region 3) ↑	9.12	---	
17.7-17.8	5.516	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1 and Region 3) ↑	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) (Region 1 and Region 3) ↓ BROADCASTING-SATELLITE (Non-GSO) (Region 2)	9.12	---	
17.8-18.1	5.516 5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) ↑ ↓	---	9.12	---	
18.1-18.6	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO) ↓	---	9.12	---	
18.8-19.3	5.523A	FIXED-SATELLITE ↓	---	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	

TABLE 9.11A-1 (end)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (GHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to Nos. 9.11A, 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13 or 9.14, as appropriate	Other space services or systems to which Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provisions(s) apply equally, as appropriate	Applicable Nos. 9.12 to 9.14 provision(s), as appropriate	Terrestrial services in respect of which No. 9.14 apply equally	Notes
19.3-19.6	5.523B	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	↑	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
	5.523D	FIXED-SATELLITE (GSO with coordination information received as of 18.11.1995 and non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links) (see also No. 5.523C)	↓			
19.6-19.7	5.523D	FIXED-SATELLITE (GSO with coordination information received as of 22.11.1997 and non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links) (see also No. 5.523E)	↓	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
19.7-20.1	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↓	9.12	---	
20.1-20.2	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↓	9.12	---	
27.5-28.6	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↑	9.12	---	
28.6-29.1	5.523A	FIXED-SATELLITE	↑	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
29.1-29.5	5.555A	FIXED-SATELLITE (GSO) (see also Nos. 5.523C and 5.523E) and non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	↑	9.12, 9.12A, 9.13	---	
29.5-29.9	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↑	9.12	---	
29.9-30	5.484A	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↑	9.12		
37.5-39.5	5.550C	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↓	9.12	---	
39.5-40.5	5.550E (5.550C)	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO) FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↓	9.12	---	
40.5-42.5	5.550C	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↓	9.12	---	
47.2-50.2	5.550C	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↑	9.12	---	
50.4-51.4	5.550C	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↑	9.12	---	

Notes to Table 9.11A-1:

- ¹ Coordination thresholds indicated in Annex 1 to Appendix 5 apply only to the MOBILE-SATELLITE service.
- ² (Not used)
- ³ See Rule of Procedure on No. 5.357.
- ⁴ The coordination of the non-GSO BROADCASTING-SATELLITE service (sound) in respect of terrestrial services is subject to the provisions of Resolution 539 (Rev.WRC-19).
- ⁵ For the applicability of the forms of coordination (Nos. 9.12, 9.12A or 9.13) to be applied between services mentioned in columns 3 and 4, please refer to the Rules of Procedure on frequency band 2 605-2 655 MHz and the Rules of Procedure relating to No. 5.418C, as appropriate.
- ⁶ For the relation between the MOBILE-SATELLITE service and earth stations in the METEOROLOGICAL-SATELLITE service, see also No. 5.380A.
- ⁷ **Note:** WRC-19 took the decision related to the coordination requirement under RR No. 9.7 for an inter-satellite link of a geostationary space station communicating with non-geostationary space station, as referred to in RR No. 5.328B, during the 8th Plenary, see items 3.11 to 3.15 of Doc. CMR19/569, approval of Doc. CMR19/451 in relation to section 3.1.2.1 of Doc. CMR19/4 (Add.2), as follows:

“In considering section 3.1.2.1 on ‘Coordination requirement under RR No. 9.7 for an inter-satellite link of a geostationary space station communicating with non-geostationary space station, as referred to in RR No. 5.328B’, in order to fulfil the requirements of RR No. 5.328B and of § 6.4 of the Rule of Procedure relating to RR No. 11.32, WRC-19 instructs the Bureau to establish coordination requirements for such link of a GSO station based on frequency overlap similar to that of a non-GSO station until such time as some other criteria or method is established.”

TABLE 9.11A-2

Applicability of the provisions of No. 9.15 to earth stations of a non-geostationary satellite network and No. 9.16 to stations of terrestrial services

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (MHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Terrestrial services to which No. 9.16 applies and in respect of which No. 9.15 applies	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to No. 9.11A to which No. 9.15 applies and in respect of which No. 9.16 applies		Applicable Nos. 9.15, 9.16 provision(s)	Notes
117.975-137	5.198A	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (OR) (5.201, 5.202)	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE-SATELLITE (R) (non-GSO)	↑ ↓	9.15	6
137-137.025 137.175- 137.825	5.208	FIXED (5.204, 5.205) LAND MOBILE (5.204, 5.205) MARITIME MOBILE (5.204, 5.205) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (OR) (5.204, 5.206) BROADCASTING (5.207)	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO (5.209))	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
137.025- 137.175 137.825-138	5.208	Fixed (in countries other than those listed in Nos. 5.204, 5.205) Land mobile (in countries other than those listed in Nos. 5.204, 5.205) Maritime mobile (in countries other than those listed in Nos. 5.204, 5.205) Aeronautical mobile (OR) (in countries other than those listed in Nos. 5.204, 5.206)	Mobile-satellite (non-GSO (5.209))	↓	9.15, 9.16	1

TABLE 9.11A-2 (continued)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (MHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Terrestrial services to which No. 9.16 applies and in respect of which No. 9.15 applies	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to No. 9.11A to which No. 9.15 applies and in respect of which No. 9.16 applies		Applicable Nos. 9.15, 9.16 provision(s)	Notes
400.15-401	5.264	FIXED (5.262) MOBILE (5.262) METEOROLOGICAL AIDS	MOBILE-SATELLITE (non-GSO (5.209))	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
1 518-1 525	5.348 5.348A 5.348B	LAND MOBILE (except J (No. 5.348A)) MARITIME MOBILE (except J (No. 5.348A)) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (In Regions 2 and 3, except J (No. 5.348A) and with the exception of aeronautical mobile telemetry in USA (5.348B))	MOBILE-SATELLITE (except USA (5.344))	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
1 525-1 530	5.354	FIXED (Region 1, Region 3, see also No. 5.352A) LAND MOBILE (5.349) MARITIME MOBILE (5.349) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (5.342, 5.350)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
1 530-1 535	5.354	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (5.342)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
1 545-1 550	5.354	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R) (5.357)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1, 2
1 550-1 555	5.354	FIXED (5.359) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R) (5.357)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1, 2
1 555-1 559	5.354	FIXED (5.359)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
1 610-1 626.5	5.364	Fixed (5.355)	Radiodetermination-satellite (Region 1 (5.371), Region 3, country in No. 5.370)	↑	9.15	1
1 613.8-1 621.35	5.365	Fixed (5.355)	Mobile-satellite	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
1 621.35-1 626.5	5.365	Fixed (5.355)	Mobile-satellite except maritime mobile-satellite	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
1 621.35-1 626.5	5.365	FIXED (5.359)	MARITIME MOBILE-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
1 626.5-1 631.5 1 634.5-1 645.5	5.354	FIXED (5.359)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↑	9.15	1
1 646.5-1 656.5	5.354	FIXED (5.359) AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R) (5.376)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↑	9.15	1
1 668.4-1 670	5.379B	FIXED MOBILE (except aeronautical mobile) METEOROLOGICAL AIDS	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↑	9.15	1, 3

TABLE 9.11A-2 (continued)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (MHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Terrestrial services to which No. 9.16 applies and in respect of which No. 9.15 applies	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to No. 9.11A to which No. 9.15 applies and in respect of which No. 9.16 applies		Applicable Nos. 9.15, 9.16 provision(s)	Notes
1 670-1 675	5.379B	FIXED LAND MOBILE METEOROLOGICAL AIDS	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↑	9.15	1, 3, 4
1 980-1 990	5.389A	FIXED (except Region 2 countries in No. 5.389B) MOBILE (except Region 2 countries in No. 5.389B) (see also No. 5.389F)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↑	9.15	1
1 990-2 010	5.389A	FIXED MOBILE (see also No. 5.389F)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↑	9.15	1
2 010-2 025	5.389C	FIXED (Region 2) MOBILE (Region 2) (see also Nos. 5.389E and 5.390)	MOBILE-SATELLITE (Region 2)	↑	9.15	1
2 160-2 170	5.389C	FIXED (Region 2) MOBILE (Region 2) (see also Nos. 5.389E and 5.390)	MOBILE-SATELLITE (Region 2)	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
2 170-2 200	5.389A	FIXED MOBILE (see also No. 5.389F)	MOBILE-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
2 483.5-2 500	5.402	RADIOLOCATION (Region 2, Region 3) (see also Nos. 5.398 and 5.399) FIXED MOBILE	MOBILE-SATELLITE RADIODETERMINATION-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
2 500-2 520	5.414	FIXED LAND MOBILE MARITIME MOBILE	MOBILE-SATELLITE (R3)	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
2 520-2 535	5.403	FIXED LAND MOBILE MARITIME MOBILE	LAND MOBILE-SATELLITE (R3) MARITIME MOBILE-SATELLITE (R3)	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
2 655-2 670	5.420	FIXED LAND MOBILE MARITIME MOBILE	LAND MOBILE-SATELLITE (R3) MARITIME MOBILE-SATELLITE (R3)	↑	9.15	1

TABLE 9.11A-2 (continued)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (MHz/GHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Terrestrial services to which No. 9.16 applies and in respect of which No. 9.15 applies	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to No. 9.11A to which No. 9.15 applies and in respect of which No. 9.16 applies		Applicable Nos. 9.15, 9.16 provision(s)	Notes
2 670-2 690	5.419	FIXED LAND MOBILE MARITIME MOBILE	MOBILE-SATELLITE (R3)	↑	9.15	1
5 030-5 091	5.443D	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R)	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE SATELLITE (R)	↑	9.15	1
5 030-5 091	5.443D	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R)	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE SATELLITE (R)	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
5 091-5 150	5.444A	AERONAUTICAL MOBILE	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	↑	9.15	1
5 150-5 216	5.447B	AERONAUTICAL RADIONAVIGATION LAND MOBILE MARITIME MOBILE AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (5.447)	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
5 150-5 250	5.447A	AERONAUTICAL RADIONAVIGATION	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	↑	9.15	1
6 700-7 075	5.458B	FIXED MOBILE	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
15.43-15.63	5.511A	AERONAUTICAL RADIONAVIGATION	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links (5.511A))	↑	9.15	1, 5
18.8-19.3	5.523A	FIXED MOBILE	FIXED-SATELLITE	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
19.3-19.6	5.523B	FIXED MOBILE	FIXED-SATELLITE (limited to non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	↑	9.15	1
19.3-19.6	5.523B	FIXED MOBILE	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links) (see also No. 5.523C)	↓	9.15, 9.16	1

TABLE 9.11A-2 (end)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Frequency band (GHz)	Footnote No. in Article 5	Terrestrial services to which No. 9.16 applies and in respect of which No. 9.15 applies	Space services mentioned in a footnote referring to No. 9.11A to which No. 9.15 applies and in respect of which No. 9.16 applies		Applicable Nos. 9.15, 9.16 provision(s)	Notes
19.6-19.7	5.523D	FIXED MOBILE	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links) (see also No. 5.523E)	↓	9.15, 9.16	1
28.6-29.1	5.523A	FIXED MOBILE	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO)	↑	9.15	1
29.1-29.5	5.535A	FIXED MOBILE	FIXED-SATELLITE (non-GSO MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICE feeder links)	↑	9.15	1

- ¹ See § 2.4.b), 2.4.c) and 2.5 of the Rules of Procedure relating to No. 9.11A for the application of Nos. 9.15, 9.16, 9.17 and 9.18.
- ² See Rule of Procedure relating to No. 5.357.
- ³ Not subject to the provisions of No. 9.15 in respect of the METEOROLOGICAL AIDS service in countries listed in No. 5.379E.
- ⁴ Not subject to the provisions of No. 9.15 in respect of the FIXED and MOBILE service in CAN and USA (No. 5.379D).
- ⁵ Stations in the aeronautical radionavigation service in this band are subject to power limits indicated in Recommendation ITU-R S.1340-0 (in consequence of the modification of No. 5.511C by WRC-15).
- ⁶ The provisions of No. 9.16 do not apply to the aeronautical mobile (R) and aeronautical mobile (OR) services (see No. 5.198A).

**9.15
to 9.19**

1 The expression in Nos. 9.15, 9.17 and 9.17A of “*band allocated with equal rights*” is understood to mean equality of rights between services to which the band is allocated. According to footnote 1 to § 1 of Appendix 5 the “*equality of right*” condition is extended to all coordination forms under Nos. 9.15 to 9.19.

2 See also the Rules of Procedure concerning Appendix 7.

9.18

The coordination procedure of No. 9.18 is to be applied only in frequency bands allocated to a space service in the direction space-to-Earth, i.e. when transmitting terrestrial stations are inside the coordination area of a receiving earth station for which coordination under No. 9.17 has already been initiated and in the case where both services have the same category of allocation.

The coordination between receiving terrestrial stations and transmitting earth stations is done only when the transmitting earth station is coordinated in application of No. **9.17**. Once that coordination is initiated an administration wishing to operate terrestrial stations within the coordination area of the transmitting earth station can evaluate the level of interference that its station may receive and decide by itself whether to proceed or not with the implementation of its terrestrial stations.

9.19

This provision relates to the requirements of coordination of transmitting terrestrial stations and transmitting earth stations in the FSS (Earth-to-space) with respect to typical BSS earth stations. To date, there are no provisions in the Radio Regulations or ITU-R Recommendations defining the power flux-density (pfd) levels produced by the terrestrial stations and transmitting earth stations in the FSS at the edge of the service area of a BSS satellite in the non-planned frequency bands to be used for triggering the coordination, with the exception of the pfd criteria in the band 1 452-1 492 MHz, set by Resolution **761 (Rev.WRC-19)**. Until such time that technical criteria and the appropriate calculation method are identified in Table 5-1 and Appendix 5 or included in the relevant ITU-R Recommendations, in applying this provision, for establishing coordination requirements the following criteria are to be used:

- For transmitting IMT stations notified with nature of service “IM” in the frequency band 1 452-1 492 MHz, in Regions 1 and 3: frequency overlap and the power flux-density of $-154 \text{ dB(W/(m}^2 \cdot 4 \text{ kHz))}$ at the edge of the service area of non-planned BSS, is calculated using Recommendation ITU-R P.452-16 for 20% of time;
- For all non-IMT stations in the frequency band 1 452-1 492 MHz, as well as for transmitting terrestrial stations in other non-planned BSS frequency bands: frequency overlap and the distance from the location of the terrestrial station to the national border of any country included in the service area of the BSS assignment is less than 1 200 km;
- For transmitting earth stations in the FSS (Earth-to-space): frequency overlap and, the power flux-density limits in the nearest frequency band(s), where available.

Note: WRC-19 took the decision related to the RoP on No. **9.19**, see paragraphs 2.14 to 2.16 of the Minutes of the 6th Plenary meeting, Doc. CMR19/469, as follows:

“1 Based on the information provided in § 3.1.3.5 of Addendum 2 to the Report of the Director it was noted that the Bureau identifies the coordination requirements for the assignments to terrestrial services vis-à-vis typical earth stations of the broadcasting-satellite service under RR No. **9.19** in eight frequency bands, namely 620-790 MHz, 1 452-1 492 MHz, 2 310-2 360 MHz, 2 520-2 670 MHz, 11.7-12.75 GHz, 17.7-17.8 GHz, 40.5-42.5 GHz and 74-76 GHz.

2 *It was further noted that currently the coordination triggers are available only for the band 11.7-12.7 GHz, as contained in Annex 3 of RR Appendix 30. For all other bands the Bureau uses the Rules of Procedure on RR No. 9.19 establishing the criteria for coordination as a frequency overlap and the coordination distance of 1 200 km with respect to the territories on which typical BSS earth stations are located. It was recognized that 1 200 km would be a very conservative coordination distance that might overestimate real needs for coordination and result in a considerable coordination burden for the administrations.*

3 *The relevant ITU-R Study Groups are invited to develop more specific criteria for establishing coordination requirements under RR No. 9.19 in the bands 620-790 MHz, 1 452-1 492 MHz, 2 310-2 360 MHz, 2 520-2 670 MHz, 17.7-17.8 GHz, 40.5-42.5 GHz and 74-76 GHz.”*

Note by the Secretariat: WRC-19 suppressed provision No. 5.311A on allocation of the frequency band 620-790 MHz to the BSS.

9.21

1 Notification under Article 11 before the completion of the procedure of No. 9.21

The Bureau accepts notifications under Article 11 with a reference to No. 4.4 in a band where the coordination procedure of No. 9.21 is to be applied at any moment before starting the procedure or during the application of the procedure of No. 9.21 (see No. 11.31.1 and comments under the Rules of Procedure relating to No. 11.37).

2 Secondary services

2.1 Upgrade of the status of the allocation for specific assignments

The following Rule has been adopted by the Board for application in cases where the application of the coordination procedure of No. 9.21 will upgrade a secondary allocation made in the Table or in a footnote (e.g. No. 5.371) to a primary status for specific assignments (e.g. Nos. 5.325 and 5.326).

For the purpose of identifying other administrations (Administration B) likely to be affected, assignments to stations of secondary services already entered in the Master Register and subject to provisions of Nos. 5.28 to 5.31 shall not be taken into consideration in cases involving those services of the requesting administration (Administration A) which are subject to the coordination procedure of No. 9.21 and will have primary status once that procedure has been successfully applied. Consequently, when criteria are drawn up for identifying affected administrations, secondary services shall not be regarded as enjoying protection against a primary service subject to the coordination procedure of No. 9.21.

2.2 Coordination of assignments in allocation situations on a secondary basis

There are several provisions where the allocation is made on a secondary basis subject to the application of the procedure defined in No. **9.21** (e.g. Nos. **5.181, 5.197, 5.259, 5.371**). For the application of the **9.21** procedure in these cases, some specific elements would need to be taken into account.

It is to be noted that in accordance with No. **9.52**, any administration may object to the planned use on the basis of its existing or planned stations and that No. **9.52C** stipulates that *“an administration not responding ... shall be regarded as unaffected”*. An administration may consider that the application of the No. **9.21** procedure will result in a secondary status, and assume that there is no need for it to comment, since the secondary service is required to not cause harmful interference to a primary service. Consequently an assignment for which the No. **9.21** procedure was applied shall be considered secondary with respect to administrations which have given their agreement as well as to administrations which have not commented upon it within the time-limits specified in No. **9.52**. Any other arrangement between administrations when reaching agreement in application of the No. **9.21** agreement procedure is considered only in the relations between those administrations.

3 Coordination of a satellite network

When an administration communicates Appendix 4 data for a satellite network to initiate the coordination procedure of No. **9.21**, the Bureau will act under Nos. **9.36** to **9.38** for that satellite network with respect to other satellite networks and for the space station of that satellite network with respect to terrestrial services, as appropriate.

If the administration requests that No. **9.21** be also initiated for earth stations of the satellite network, the request shall be accompanied with the relevant Appendix 4 data. The Bureau will then establish coordination and/or “agreement” areas, as appropriate, for specific and/or typical earth stations located on the territory of the requesting administration, and publish the information under No. **9.38** (see also § 2 of the Rules of Procedure on No. **9.36**). In case horizon elevation data were not provided, as well as in the case of typical earth stations, a value of 0° will be assumed by the Bureau.

4 Frequency assignments upon which disagreement is based

The frequency assignments that could serve as a basis for objection in the application of No. **9.52** are listed in § 2 of Appendix **5**. In particular, the associated earth stations of frequency assignments to satellite networks or systems cannot serve as a basis of disagreement under No. **9.52**, except for those stations which were separately notified in accordance with Nos. **11.2** or **11.9**. Those frequency assignments can be submitted to the Bureau in the form of specific or typical stations (see also No. **11.17**). See also the Rules of Procedure under No. **9.36**.

9.23

1 When the information under Nos. **9.30** and **9.32**, as the case may be, relating to only one form of coordination (e.g. No. **9.7**) has been received by the Bureau, in the case where there is a need to effect more than one form of coordination in accordance with Nos. **9.30** and **9.32**, as the case may be, it is in the interest of administrations that the Bureau establishes those other forms of coordination requirement immediately, rather than to proceed with them after receiving the request at a later date. Moreover, it will be more efficient, expeditious and easy to proceed with the publication required under Nos. **9.34/9.38** at one time (same date of receipt) on the same information.

In view of the above the Board decided to take the following practical approach. The Bureau, as far as possible, identifies any administrations with which coordination may need to be effected under Nos. **9.7** to **9.14** and **9.21** where applicable and includes their names in the publication even if the requests for a specific coordination form is not received by the Bureau at that time. If no comment is received from the administration responsible within the four months from the date of publication, it shall be considered that this publication is implemented according to the request of the administration and the corresponding coordination requirement has been established.

9.27

1 Frequency assignments to be taken into account in the coordination procedure

Frequency assignments to be taken into account in the coordination procedure are mentioned in § 1 to 5 of Appendix **5** (see also Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.36** and Appendix **5**).

1.1 The period between the date of receipt by the Bureau of relevant information under No. **9.1A** for a satellite network and the date of bringing into use of the assignments of the satellite network in question shall in no circumstance exceed seven years as referred to in No. **11.44**. Consequently, frequency assignments not complying with these time-limits will no longer be taken into account under the provisions of No. **9.27** and Appendix **5**. (See also Nos. **11.43A**, **11.48**, Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)**.)

2 Modification of characteristics of a satellite network during coordination

2.1 After an administration informs the Bureau of a modification of characteristics of its network, it is essential to establish its proper coordination requirements with respect to other administrations, i.e. with which administration(s), and for which of their network(s), the modified part of the network needs to effect coordination before it can be notified for recording.

2.2 The guiding principles for dealing with modifications are:

- general obligation to effect coordination before notification (No. 9.6), and
- the fact that coordination is not required when the nature of the change is such as not to increase the interference to or from, as the case may be, the assignments of another administration, as specified in Appendix 5.

2.3 Based on these principles, and provided that the appropriate coordination trigger limit is exceeded, the modified part of the network will need to effect coordination with respect to space networks that are to be taken into account for coordination:

- a) networks with “2D-Date”² before D1³;
- b) networks with “2D-Date” between D1 and D2⁴, where the nature of the change is such as to increase the interference to or from, as the case may be, the assignments of these networks. In case of GSO networks referred to in No. 9.7, including those to which the coordination arc approach has been applied (see No. 9.7 of Table 5-1 of Appendix 5), the increase of interference will be measured in terms of $\Delta T/T$, or pfd values when Resolution 553 (Rev.WRC-23) or Resolution 554 (WRC-12) apply. In case of non-GSO networks referred to in No. 9.7B, the increase of interference will be measured in terms of a cumulative distribution function (CDF) of equivalent power-flux density (epfd) produced to these earth stations.

In cases involving non-GSO networks or systems referred to in Nos. 9.12, 9.12A, 9.13 or 9.21, the increase in interference will be measured in terms of a CDF of the interference levels into the subsequently submitted non-GSO systems or GSO networks, expressed as an interference-to-noise (I/N) ratio for various locations and percentages of time. In conducting such analyses, the Bureau will consider only levels of I/N ratio equal to or greater than -30 dB.

2.3.1 Where the coordination requirements of the modification involve any network under b) above, the modified assignments will have D2 as their “2D-Date”. Otherwise, they will retain D1 as their “2D-Date”.

² The “2D-Date” is the date from which an assignment is taken into account as defined in § 1 e) of Appendix 5.

³ D1 is the original “2D-Date” of the network undergoing modification.

⁴ D2 is the date of receipt of request for modification. Concerning the date of receipt, see the Rule of Procedure on Receivability.

2.3.2 In case of successive modifications of the same part of the network, if the next modification (compared with the previous modification) does not increase the interference to or from a particular network not included in the coordination requirements under *b)* above, that particular network will not be included in the coordination requirements of that next modification.

2.3.3 If it is not possible to verify that there is no increase of interference (e.g. in the absence of appropriate criteria or calculation methods), the “2D-Date” of the modified assignments will be D2.

2.4 When the frequency assignments of non-GSO networks or systems are subject to epfd limits contained in Nos. **22.5C**, **22.5D** and **22.5F**, and/or to coordination under No. **9.7B**, administrations may wish to modify previously submitted data required for Article **22** examination⁵. As the modified parameters are not used for coordination between non-GSO networks or systems, the modified frequency assignments will retain D1 as their “2D-Date” provided that:

- a) the previous assignments received favourable findings under No. **11.31** with respect to Article **22**;
- b) the modified assignments received a favourable finding under No. **11.31** with respect to Article **22** using the latest version of the epfd validation software;
- c) the modified assignments, in case that they are subject to No. **9.7B**, retain D1 as their “2D-Date” in accordance with §§ 2.3 to 2.3.2 above.

2.5 After having examined the modified network as described in § 2.3 and § 2.4 above, the Bureau shall publish the modification, including its coordination requirements, in the appropriate Special Section for comments by administrations within the usual 4-month period, as appropriate. Initial characteristics are thus replaced by the published modified characteristics, and only the latter will be taken into account in subsequent applications of No. **9.36**.

⁵ Limited to the elements listed under A.14, A.4.b.6.a and A.4.b.7 of RR Appendix 4.

3 Modification to characteristics of an earth station

3.1 The use of another associated space station may be one of the modifications of characteristics to an earth station. In the case of examination under Nos. **9.15**, **9.17** and **9.17A**, a new coordination contour is drawn and compared with the previous one. Coordination is then required with any administration on the territory of which a coordination distance is increased. In the case of examination under No. **9.19**, the pfd of the transmitting earth station with modified characteristics is calculated at the edge of the BSS service area. Coordination is then required with any administration on the territory of which the pfd at the edge of the BSS service area is increased as the result of modification of characteristics of the transmitting earth station in the FSS and is above the permissible level. However, if the initial associated space station has been cancelled or if the coordinated frequency assignments of the earth station do not cover the newly notified assignments, this notification of the assignments of the earth station will be considered as a new notice (first notification).

3.2 Generally, the Bureau uses the same approach, i.e. an increase of the coordination distance or an increase of the pfd at the edge of the BSS service area, according to the case, in order to decide if there is an increase of interference.

**9.28,
9.29
and 9.31**

1 These provisions of the Radio Regulations establish the complete responsibility of the requesting administration for effecting the coordination of the frequency assignments to stations in the terrestrial services and to earth stations (specific or typical) of satellite networks with respect to other earth stations and stations of terrestrial services (see Nos. **9.15** to **9.19**), without any involvement of the Radiocommunication Bureau, except the cases referred to in Nos. **9.33** and/or **9.52**. Therefore, the Board considers these provisions as being addressed to administrations, and the Bureau has no action to take in this respect.

2 See also the Rules of Procedure under No. **11.32** (§ 4).

9.36

1 Under this provision, the Bureau “*shall identify any administrations with which coordination may need to be effected*”. In applying Appendix **5** with respect to No. **9.21**, the Bureau uses the following calculation methods and criteria⁶:

- space network vs. space network: Appendix **8**;

⁶ For cases not covered under this paragraph, the Bureau, in collaboration with the appropriate Radiocommunication Study Groups, continue to develop applicable calculation methods and criteria in the form of Rules of Procedure to be submitted to the Board for approval.

- earth station^{6bis} vs. terrestrial stations and *vice versa*, and earth station vs. other earth stations^{6bis} operating in the opposite direction of transmission: Appendix 7;
- transmitting terrestrial stations vs. receiving space stations: criteria of Article 21;
- transmitting space stations vs. terrestrial services⁷;
 - power flux-density (pfd) limits defined in Article 21 (where such limits are not applicable as hard limits to the service which is subject to No. 9.21); or
 - coordination threshold pfd values applicable to other services in the same frequency band (e.g. pfd values in Table 5-2 of Annex 1 to Appendix 5); or
 - frequency overlap with recorded terrestrial stations when no applicable pfd value mentioned above is available;
- receiving space stations vs. transmitting terrestrial stations: frequency overlap within the visibility area of the satellite network;
- between stations of terrestrial services in some specific frequency bands: Rules of Procedure B4, B5 and B6 as appropriate.

2 For coordination requests under Nos. 9.11 to 9.14 and 9.21, it is to be noted that irrespective of the identification by the Bureau under No. 9.36 (see footnote 9.36.1), any administration, even one which was not identified, may disagree with the published assignment under No. 9.52 and any administration, including one identified by the Bureau, that has not commented on the proposed use within the regulatory time limit is considered to be unaffected by that use in accordance with No. 9.52C. However, in the case of coordination requests under No. 9.21 concerning specific earth stations with respect to terrestrial services, the Board noted that the identification of affected administrations by the Bureau is based on the coordination area method contained in Appendix 7, as referenced in Table 5-1 of Appendix 5. Accordingly, administrations not identified through that method are considered unaffected and their agreement under No. 9.21 is not required.

^{6bis} Associated earth stations of frequency assignments to satellite networks or systems are not taken into account in the agreement-seeking procedure under No. 9.21 nor in the coordination requirements under Nos. 9.17A and 9.18, except for those stations which were separately notified in accordance with Nos. 11.2 or 11.9.

⁷ Cases relevant to this indent are shown in the Annex to this Rule.

Annex to the Rule of Procedure concerning No. 9.36

	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4
In frequency band	F1 - F2	F1 - F2	F1 - F2	F1 - F2
Space service (A) under No. 9.21 (footnote No. 5.xxx refers) is	A	A	A	A
Another space service (B), not under No. 9.21, with which the same frequency band is shared is	-	B	B	B
Hard pfd limit (Article 21, a footnote or a Resolution refers) is applicable to space service	A	B	-	-
Coordination threshold pfd value is applicable (under e.g. No. 9.14) to space service	-	-	B	-
<i>Agreement threshold pfd value used to identify, under No. 9.21, potentially affected administrations in respect of their terrestrial stations/ services (Note: In Special Section CR/C and in the BR's database, this relation is indicated by the provision symbol 9.21/C, see Preface to the BR IFIC (space services), Table 11A.1, and also Attachment 1 to CR/172)</i>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>None</i></p> <p>No need for agreement in respect of terrestrial services is indicated in either the Special Section CR/C or BR's database. The hard pfd limit applicable to service A is considered to be there to protect terrestrial services from space service A. If that limit is observed (as checked under No. 9.35), the finding for the space service assignment is favourable, terrestrial services are protected and there is no need for an agreement under No. 9.21 in respect of terrestrial services. If the hard pfd limit is exceeded, the finding for the agreement is unfavourable and the agreement procedure is not applicable</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Hard pfd limit applicable to service B (4th indent of the Rule)</i></p> <p>If such pfd limit is good enough to protect terrestrial services from service B, it is good enough to protect them from service A, too. If such limit is not exceeded, an administration is not potentially affected with respect to symbol 9.21/C. If that limit is exceeded, the finding for service A is still favourable (the limit is not a hard limit applicable to service A) and an administration on whose territory the limit is exceeded is considered as potentially affected with respect to symbol 9.21/C</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Coordination threshold pfd value applicable to service B (4th indent of the Rule)</i></p> <p>If such pfd limit is good enough to indicate if terrestrial services are potentially affected or not from service B, it is good enough to indicate the same with respect to service A, too</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>None</i> (none exists)</p> <p>Frequency overlap with recorded terrestrial stations is used to indicate potentially affected administrations with respect to symbol 9.21/C. Any administration, visible from the satellite, may disagree under No. 9.52 with respect to its terrestrial services</p>

9.41-9.42

1 The Board has closely studied provisions Nos. **9.36.2**, **9.41** and **9.42** (modified by WRC-12) and has arrived at the following conclusions regarding the application of the provisions of No. **9.41** by an administration which considers that its name or any of its satellite networks should have been identified under No. **9.36** in the context of a request for coordination stemming from the application of No. **9.7**:

2 Administrations are entitled, based on the $\Delta T/T > 6\%$ criterion, to include themselves, or any of their networks, in coordination, in application of Nos. **9.41** and **9.42**. Requests under No. **9.41** must be substantiated by $\Delta T/T > 6\%$ calculations. To minimize the administrative burden on the Bureau and administrations, it shall be deemed sufficient for an administration wishing to be added in a coordination request under No. **9.41** to provide $\Delta T/T > 6\%$ calculations for only one pair of assignments for each satellite network to be further considered in the coordination process (a pair consisting of one assignment of the published network and one assignment of the network of the requesting administration); the Bureau will then examine all assignments of the specific networks of the requesting administration and then establish coordination requirements for all the assignments of the network referred to in the publication vis-à-vis the requesting administration under No. **9.42** commensurate with the results of such examination.

3 Calculations showing that $\Delta T/T$ ratios do not exceed 6% for all groups of assignments of involved satellite networks shall be submitted by an administration believing that an administration, or a satellite network of an administration, identified under No. **9.36.2** should not have been included under No. **9.36** in the coordination request of its own satellite network.

9.47

Following the application of Nos. **9.48** - **9.49** and in accordance with No. **9.47**, the Bureau shall communicate to the concerned administration the application of Nos. **9.48** and **9.49** and provide a copy of that communication to the requesting administration.

9.48

The Board concluded that this provision applies only to those radiocommunication stations which were taken into consideration when the coordination request was either sent to the other administration as stipulated in No. **9.29** or submitted to the Bureau in the case of application of Nos. **9.30** and **9.32**. Other existing assignments of the administration to which this provision is not applied remain entitled to protection. Assignments of the same administrations which are considered at a later date are also entitled to protection.

9.49

The comments made in the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.48** apply. This administration is deemed to have undertaken not to cause interference to those stations for which the agreement was requested.

9.50

Comments relating to the exclusion of the territory of a country from the service area of a space station

1 When an Administration B requests the Bureau to exclude its territory from the service area of a space station of an Administration A, this raises the following questions:

- should that comment have any effect on the identification of the administrations concerned in the coordination process or on the assessment of the level of harmful interference?
- what action shall the Bureau take in respect of it?

2 The question of a request concerning the exclusion of the territory of a country from the service area of a space station can be studied at two different levels:

- the compatibility between services and stations and the related status that may be derived from the application of the procedures contained in the Radio Regulations, on one hand, and
- the principles embodied in the Preamble to the Convention and the Radio Regulations as well as in Resolution 1 (**Rev.WRC-97**) in respect of the sovereign right of each country to use the frequency spectrum and the GSO, on the other hand.

3 Compatibility matters are well defined in the Radio Regulations; they involve:

- power flux-density limitations which are deemed to avoid any problem of incompatibility without any recourse to coordination with terrestrial services;
- coordination between administrations using or intending to use stations of the same service or of different services sharing the same frequency band;
- examination by the Bureau of the probability of harmful interference in cases where, for one reason or another, agreement on coordination could not be reached between the administrations concerned.

4 The identification by the Bureau of administrations involved in a coordination process and the assessment of the probability of harmful interference are based on the technical characteristics notified by administrations. The extent to which a comment intended to reduce the service area of a space station may affect the application of Articles 9 and 11 should be considered on the basis of a distinction to be made between the “*coverage area*” and the “*service area*”. The coverage area results from limitations imposed by the design of the space station, and a certain degree of overlapping of territories of other countries not intending to participate in the system may be unavoidable. The Board understands that, in designing any space station, the administration concerned applies No. 15.5, which stipulates that “*radiation in and reception from unnecessary directions shall be minimized by taking the maximum practical advantage of the properties of directional antennas whenever the nature of the service permits*”. If an Administration B, not participating in a given satellite network, considers that the network was not designed to minimize the overlapping which resulted in an unnecessary coverage of its territory, the Bureau can only transmit such comment to Administration A without any action from its side.

5 In relation to the sovereignty of the Administration B to authorize earth stations to be installed on its territory, the Bureau assumes that, in accordance with Resolution 1 (Rev.WRC-97), an agreement existed between the two administrations. Administration B is entitled to react and indicate to the Bureau that such an agreement does not exist; however, the Bureau has no authority to modify a characteristic notified by Administration A without its agreement. If the latter refuses to modify the service area, the Bureau can only note this situation. (The licensing authority, irrespective of the application of the procedures of Article 9, remains under the responsibility of Administration B. See also comment under the Rules of Procedure concerning Resolution 1 (Rev.WRC-97).)

6 In conclusion, when Administration B makes comments intending to exclude its territory from the service area of the space station of Administration A, the Bureau:

- shall consider such comments receivable and that it is a matter to be resolved between the administrations concerned;
- shall inform Administration A of the comments received requesting consultations between the administrations concerned (Administrations A and B) and will modify the service area only if Administration A agrees;
- shall enter a remark to indicate this situation when publishing a Special Section;
- shall consider, unless it receives a subsequent notification to the contrary, that there is no agreement between Administrations A and B under Resolution 1 (Rev.WRC-97) for the use of the territory of Administration B by earth stations associated with the satellite network in question.

9.50.2

The agreement referred to in this provision is considered as a bilateral agreement not involving the Bureau or any other administration.

9.52

1 The provision No. **9.52** states that in the case of a disagreement concerning coordination, the responding administration (Administration B) informs the administration requesting the coordination (Administration A) of the reasons for its disagreement and in particular includes in these reasons those “*assignments upon which that disagreement is based*”. It further states that a copy of these comments shall also be sent to the Bureau. The Board noted the requirement for mandatory electronic filing and the Rules concerning the receivability of forms of notice, which require comments to be submitted to the Bureau in electronic format compatible with the BR electronic notice form capture software SpaceCom. As a consequence, when submitting its disagreement to the BR using SpaceCom, Administration B must also inform Administration A, within the 4 month regulatory period, of its disagreement, giving the reasons therefore and identifying those “*assignments upon which that disagreement is based*”. In addition, Administration B must also send a copy of these comments to the Bureau until such time that SpaceCom enables their inclusion in the electronic notice.

2 Where this information relates to terrestrial stations or earth stations operating in the opposite direction of transmission within the coordination area of an earth station, only that information relating to existing radiocommunication stations or those to be brought into use within the next three months for terrestrial stations, or three years for earth stations, shall be treated as notifications under No. **11.2** or **11.9**. Provision No. **9.52** does not specify what action the Bureau will take with respect to the information relating to the other type of stations which are not to be considered as notifications but with respect to which the responding administration also stated its disagreement. The Bureau will not consider them as a notification under No. **11.2** or **11.9** and will not publish them, considering that it is a bilateral matter which does not need to be brought to the knowledge of all administrations.

3 The information submitted to the Bureau by Administration B which, according to No. **9.52**, shall be treated as notifications under No. **11.2** or **11.9** could only be so considered, if it contains complete data as required by Appendix 4; otherwise the notice(s) will be returned to Administration B as incomplete. It is also understood that these notices have to be in conformity with No. **11.31**; otherwise the notice(s) will be either returned to Administration B, or shall be recorded in the Master Register for information purposes only, if the administration indicated that the assignment(s) will be operated in accordance with No. **4.4**. Furthermore, the relevant frequency assignments of Administration B will be examined under No. **11.32** (with respect to its conformity with the procedures relating to coordination) and may be eventually returned to the administration, under No. **11.37**, if the Bureau finds that the procedures for obtaining coordination were not successfully applied with all concerned administrations, under No. **9.27** with respect to their assignments recorded in the Master Register. See also the Rules of Procedure relating to No. **9.29**.

4 This provision requires the responding Administration B to inform the requesting Administration A of its disagreement within four months. It is to be noted that if Administration B is not in a position, for any reason, to respond to the requesting Administration A, Administration B can send its disagreement directly to the Bureau accompanied by a statement reflecting the situation. The Board decided that disagreements addressed directly to the Bureau are valid in the meaning of No. **9.52**, and the Bureau shall communicate the disagreement to Administration A.

5 Case of administrations having responded

An Administration B may, when it accepts the proposed use, stipulate conditions of use. If such conditions are accepted by the administration requesting the agreement, the Bureau will take this as an agreement.

5.1 When an administration has responded in application of No. **9.52** within four months and requested the assistance of the Bureau, the latter will act according to Article **13**.

5.2 When an Administration B has responded, in application of No. **9.52**, more than four months after the date of publication of the relevant Special Section or the date of dispatch of the coordination data under No. **9.29**, and the Bureau has been informed of a continuing disagreement between the two administrations, the Bureau has to literally apply No. **9.52C**; it will consider Administration B as not having responded in due time. Therefore, despite the comments expressed by Administration B, Administration A will be considered to have successfully completed the procedure.

5.3 When an Administration B has responded, in application of No. **9.52**, more than four months after the date of publication of the Special Section in application of No. **9.38** or the dispatch of the coordination data under No. **9.29**, and an agreement is reached between the two administrations, the Bureau will take this situation into account.

9.52C

1 Case of administrations not responding

With respect to an administration not responding, an administration having applied the procedure shall be regarded as having successfully completed the procedure of this Article for assignments for which there was no response.

Note: WRC-19 took the decision related to the deadline contained in No. **9.52C**, during the 4th Plenary, see items 5.1 to 5.8 of Doc. CMR19/237, approval of relevant parts of Doc. CMR19/189 related to No. **9.52C**, as follows:

“Before the expiry of the deadline referred to in this document, the Radiocommunication Bureau shall send a message to the administrations concerned drawing their attention to the need to reply within the deadline as contained in the document.”

2 Publication of Special Sections containing the status of the coordination procedures under Nos. 9.11 to 9.14 and 9.21

2.1 Any comment which does not explicitly express objection to the request for coordination is not considered as a disagreement under No. **9.52**. In case of doubt concerning the nature of comments, the administration concerned should be consulted.

2.2 The appropriate Special Section shall include the following information:

- a) the names of administrations whose disagreement to the request for coordination were received within the regulatory deadline;
- b) a Note, which reads:

“Pursuant to No. **9.52C**, all administrations other than those listed above shall be regarded as unaffected, and in the case of Nos. **9.11** to **9.14** the provision of Nos. **9.48** and **9.49** shall apply.”

2.3 See also § 2.4 a) of the Rules of Procedure relating to No. **9.11A**.

9.53

See comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.6** (§ 1 c)).

9.58

This provision refers to changes in the characteristics which have been decided during the coordination procedure of the assignment of the network. For processing of the modification, the Bureau will apply § 2 of the Rules concerning No. **9.27**. When publishing the modified characteristics in a modification to the Special Section containing the original coordination request, the Bureau will indicate the nature of the modification as specified in No. **9.58**.

9.60

In application of No. **9.11A**, when the information on a station in the fixed service upon which an administration's disagreement is based cannot be provided as referred to under No. **9.52**, the reference parameters contained in Annex 1 to Appendix **5** can be used to determine the need for coordination.

9.62

1 Following application of Nos. **9.48** and **9.49** and in accordance with No. **9.62**, the Bureau shall communicate to the concerned administration the application of Nos. **9.48** and **9.49** and provide a copy of that communication to the administration requesting for assistance.

2 Consequently, with respect to the administration not responding, the administration having applied the procedure shall be regarded as having successfully completed the procedure of this Article with respect to the assignments for which there was no response.

3 The Bureau shall apply No. **9.61** only if an administration with which coordination is sought fails to give its agreement or its disagreement together with information concerning its own assignments on which its disagreement is based. This information may be the reference to the previous publications including concerned assignments. In case of requests for assistance due to other difficulties in coordination, No. **13.1** shall apply.

9.63

In the absence of reply to provide the required information (to enable the Bureau to carry out the compatibility analysis), the Bureau shall use the information available to it.

9.65

See the Rules of Procedure under No. **9.6** (§ 2), Nos. **11.32A** and **11.33**.

**Rules concerning the late payment of cost recovery fees and cancellation
of satellite network filings due to non-payment of cost recovery fees
in accordance with Council Decision 482**

1 The provisions of Nos. **9.2B.1** and **9.38.1** of Article **9**, **A.11.6** of Article **11**, footnotes 7 to § 4.1.5, 8 to § 4.1.15, 16 to § 4.2.8, 17 to § 4.2.19, 18 to the title of Article 5 of Appendix **30**, footnotes 9 to § 4.1.5, 10 to § 4.1.15, 19 to § 4.2.8, 20 to § 4.2.19, 22 to the title of Article 5 of Appendix **30A** and footnote 1 to the title of Article 6, footnote 11 to the title of Article 8 of Appendix **30B**, stipulate that if the payments for a notice submitted in accordance with the above provisions are not received in accordance with the provisions of Council Decision 482, as amended, on the implementation of cost recovery for satellite networks filings, the Bureau shall cancel the publication after informing the administration concerned.

2 Council Decision 482 stipulates that payment of charges shall be made within a period of a maximum of six months after issue of the invoice, on the basis of an invoice issued upon receipt of the filing by the Bureau and sent to the notifying administration.

3 Due to administrative delay related mainly to the confirmation of payment by financial institutions and internal validation between the Bureau and the Financial Resources Management Department of the General Secretariat, the decision by the Bureau on a late or non-payment of a satellite network notice is normally submitted for consideration and confirmation at the BR IFIC meeting which normally takes place no more than six weeks after the six-month deadline for cost-recovery fees of the considered notices.

4 In view of the above, the Board decided that satellite networks filings for which the payment has been received after the six-month deadline but prior to the BR IFIC meeting where the late payment is considered, shall continue to be taken into account.

5 Any satellite network filing for which a payment is received after the BR IFIC meeting where a decision to cancel that filing for non-payment has been taken, shall no longer be taken into account, and the information would be reported to a meeting of the Radio Regulations Board.

Rules concerning the extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use satellite assignments

WRC-12 took the following decision related to the extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use satellite assignments (see paragraph 3.20 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. CMR12/554):

“3.20 The **Chairman of Committee 5**, introducing Document 525, said that it covered four issues relating to agenda item 7 and one relating to agenda item 8.1.2. The first issue relating to agenda item 7 concerned the extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use satellite assignments due to launch delays beyond the control of the administration. Committee 5 had discussed certain proposals to create a new WRC resolution to allow limited and qualified extensions in the case of co-passenger delays and to expand such extensions in the case of *force majeure*. However, recognizing that there were a number of concerns with creating a resolution, and that such cases could be brought to the Radio Regulations Board or to future conferences on a case-by-case basis, the committee had not pursued the discussion. ...”

WRC-15 took the following decision related to the extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use satellite assignments (see paragraph 3.19 of the Minutes of the 7th Plenary meeting, Doc. CMR15/504):

“3.19 (...) In considering the issue of satellite launch failure, WRC-15 confirms the decision taken by WRC-12 (at its thirteenth meeting) that the Board may address requests for a time-limit extension based on either a co-passenger issue or force majeure taking into account internationally applicable rules and practices in this regard so long as any extension is “limited and qualified”.”

WRC-19 took the following decision related to the situations of co-passenger delay and the use of electric propulsion (see paragraph 3.16 of the Minutes of the 8th Plenary meeting, Doc. CMR19/569):

“3.16 (...) On section 4.3.4 Situations of co-passenger delay, WRC-19 decided that the Board shall consider the provision of the following information as required when dealing with a request for extension of regulatory deadlines due to co-passenger delay:

- a summary description of the satellite to be launched, including the frequency bands;
- the name of the manufacturer selected to build the satellite and the contract signature date;
- the status of the satellite construction, including the date it began and whether it was expected to be completed prior to the initial launch window;
- the name of the launch service provider and the contract signature date;
- the initial and revised launch window;

- sufficient detail to justify that the request for extension is due to co-passenger delay (e.g. a letter from the launch service provider indicating that the launch is delayed because of a delay affecting the co-passenger satellite);
- sufficient detail to justify the length of the requested extension period; and
- any other relevant information and documentation.

When considering requests that qualify as force majeure or co-passenger delay, WRC-19 instructs the RRB to continue to take into account the use of electric propulsion on a case-by-case basis when deciding on the length of the extension, based on the merits of each individual case.”

Note: WRC-23 took the following decision on situations of *force majeure* related to the extension of time-limits for bringing into use or bringing back into use a frequency assignment, see item 13.4 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):

Issues related to the extension of time-limits for bringing into use or bringing back into use a frequency assignment

“WRC-23 confirms that, while each case is considered on its merits, providing the following information facilitates the consideration of a request for extension of the regulatory time-limit due to force majeure by the Board:

- *a summary description of the satellite to be launched, including the frequency bands;*
- *the name of the manufacturer selected to build the satellite and the contract signature date;*
- *the status of the satellite construction before the force majeure event, including the date it began and whether it was expected to be completed prior to the initial launch window;*
- *the name of the launch service provider and the contract signature date;*
- *the efforts and measures taken or envisaged to avoid missing the deadline, to overcome the difficulties faced and to reduce the project timelines, if possible, with supporting evidence by the satellite manufacturer and/or launch service provider as appropriate;*
- *detailed rationale and assessment against all four conditions of force majeure:*
 - 1 the event must be beyond the control of the obligor;*
 - 2 the event constituting force majeure must be unforeseen or, if it was foreseeable, must be inevitable or irresistible;*
 - 3 the event must make it impossible for the obligor to perform its obligation;*
 - 4 a causal effective connection must exist between the event constituting force majeure and the failure by the obligor to fulfil the obligation.*
- *the initial and revised project milestones for the construction, launch window, launch and orbit raising of the satellite, as well as relocation and in-orbit testing timelines when the satellite is not directly launched in its nominal orbital position or its non-geostationary satellite orbit;*
- *a detailed rationale for the length of the extension requested, including a breakdown of the nature and extent of the delay experienced so far, the additional delay projected by the manufacturer and launch service provider, and any planned contingency;*

- *any other relevant information and documentation.*

WRC-23 also confirms the Board’s approach with respect to contingency periods in the determination of the length of an extension in cases of force majeure.

WRC-23 also noted that the Board is now examining how all four conditions of force majeure are met on a case-by-case basis when the COVID-19 pandemic is invoked as the force majeure event.

WRC-23 instructs the Board to reflect the above-confirmations in the RoP concerning the extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use satellite assignments.”

Note: WRC-23 took the following decision on situations of co-passenger delay related to the extension of time-limits for bringing into use or bringing back into use a frequency assignment, see item 13.6 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):

“WRC-23 confirms that the WRC-19 decision for the provision of information as required when dealing with a request for extension of regulatory time-limits due to co-passenger delay should be revised as shown below:

- *a summary description of the satellite to be launched, including the frequency bands;*
- *the name of the manufacturer selected to build the satellite and the contract signature date;*
- *the status of the satellite construction, including the date it began and whether it was expected to be completed prior to the initial launch window;*
- *the name of the launch service provider and the contract signature date;*
- *the initial and revised project milestones for the launch window, launch and orbit raising of the satellite, as well as relocation and in-orbit testing timelines when the satellite is not directly launched in its nominal orbital position or its non-geostationary satellite orbit;*
- *sufficient detail to justify that the request for extension is due to co-passenger delay (e.g. a letter from the launch service provider indicating that the launch is delayed because of a delay affecting the co-passenger satellite);*
- *a detailed rationale for the length of the extension requested, including a breakdown of the nature and extent of the delay experienced so far, the additional delay projected by the launch service provider, and any planned contingency, and*
- *any other relevant information and documentation.*

WRC-23 instructs the Board to reflect the above-confirmation in the RoP concerning the extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use satellite assignments.”

Rules concerning the simultaneous bringing into use or bringing back into use of multiple geostationary satellite networks with a single satellite¹

For operational purposes such as, for example, risk of collision, telemetry, tracking, and command operation, coordination agreement, etc., a satellite may have to shift a little from the notified nominal orbital position (including the ± 0.1 degree tolerance for space stations on board geostationary satellites in the fixed-satellite service or broadcasting-satellite service) to provide the required services. In that particular instance, when requesting clarification under Nos. **11.44**, **11.44B**, **11.49** or **13.6** of the Radio Regulations on the bringing into use, bringing back into use or continuing use of the notified characteristics of a satellite network, the Board decided that the Bureau shall consider that a satellite located at no more than 0.5 degree of the notified longitude of the nominal position of the satellite network would be considered as fulfilling Nos. **11.44**, **11.44B**, **11.49** or **13.6** requirements, as appropriate, under the conditions that:

1. the space station is associated with one or more satellite network filings at one single orbital position,
2. the space station has the capability to maintain its position within the ± 0.1 degree of its nominal positions,
3. no unacceptable interference be reported when the satellite's excursion is exceeding this tolerance (up to maximum 0.5 degree), and
4. this operation does not cause more interference or require more protection than if the space station was operating within the ± 0.1 degree tolerance of the notified orbital position.

In addition, the Board decided that the Bureau shall consider that a satellite located at no more than 0.5 degree from several notified nominal positions of satellite networks could be used for the bringing into use, bringing back into use or continuing use of the notified characteristics of frequency assignments of these satellite networks under Nos. **11.44**, **11.44B**, **11.49** or **13.6** only if the bandwidths of these frequency assignments do not overlap. Conditions 2 to 4 listed above also apply.

¹ See also the provisions of Annex 7 "Orbital position limitations" of Appendix **30** and Resolution **548 (Rev.WRC-12)** "Application of the grouping concept in Appendices **30** and **30A** in Regions 1 and 3"

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 11 of the RR

11.13

1 This provision stipulates that no notification shall be made of the frequencies that are prescribed for common use by stations of a given service. According to this provision the Bureau established a list of the frequencies that enter into this category. This list is regularly updated and published in the Preface to the International Frequency Information Circular (BR IFIC), in frequency order (Chapter VI of the Preface). The common frequencies appear in the Master International Frequency Register (Master Register) and in the BR IFIC.

2 A summary of the frequencies/frequency bands that are prescribed for common use, is given below:

- GMDSS frequencies for distress and safety calling using DSC techniques (2 187.5 kHz, 4 207.5 kHz, 6 312 kHz, 8 414.5 kHz, 12 577 kHz, 16 804.5 kHz and 156.525 MHz);
- GMDSS frequencies for distress and safety traffic by radiotelephony (2 182 kHz, 4 125 kHz, 6 215 kHz, 8 291 kHz, 12 290 kHz, 16 420 kHz and 156.8 MHz);
- International frequencies for search and rescue operations (2 182 kHz, 3 023 kHz, 5 680 kHz, 8 364 kHz, 10 003 kHz, 14 993 kHz, 19 993 kHz, 121.5 MHz, 123.1 MHz, 156.3 MHz, 156.8 MHz, 161.975 MHz, 162.025 MHz and 243 MHz);
- International frequencies for digital selective calling, for purposes other than distress and safety (455.5, 458.5, 2 177, 2 189.5, 4 208, 4 208.5, 4 209, 4 219.5, 4 220, 4 220.5, 6 312.5, 6 313, 6 313.5, 6 331, 6 331.5, 6 332, 8 415, 8 415.5, 8 416, 8 436.5, 8 437, 8 437.5, 12 577.5, 12 578, 12 578.5, 12 657, 12 657.5, 12 658, 16 805, 16 805.5, 16 806, 16 903, 16 903.5, 16 904, 18 898.5, 18 899, 18 899.5, 19 703.5, 19 704, 19 704.5, 22 374.5, 22 375, 22 375.5, 22 444, 22 444.5, 22 445, 25 208.5, 25 209, 25 209.5, 26 121, 26 121.5 and 26 122 kHz);
- International frequencies for automatic connection system (ACS) using digital selective calling for ship and coast stations (2 174.5, 4 177.5, 6 268, 8 376.5, 12 520 and 16 695 kHz);
- International frequencies for radiotelephone calling (4 125, 4 417, 6 215, 6 516, 8 255, 8 779, 12 290, 12 359, 13 137, 16 420, 16 537, 17 302, 18 795, 19 770, 22 060, 22 756, 25 097 and 26 172 kHz);
- International ship-to-shore working or intership frequencies (2 045, 2 048, 2 635 and 2 638 kHz);

- 410 kHz, worldwide frequency for radio direction-finding in the maritime radio-navigation services;

- 75 MHz, worldwide frequency assigned to aeronautical marker beacons.

3 If these frequencies are used by other services and/or for purposes other than those specified in the Radio Regulations, they should be notified under the relevant provisions of Article **11** and, in some cases, under the provisions of No. **4.4**.

11.14

1 This provision stipulates, *inter alia*, that frequency assignments to ship stations and to mobile stations of other services shall not be notified under Article **11**. On the other hand, the provisions of No. **11.2** stipulate the conditions under which receiving stations are to be notified to the Bureau. Similarly, the provisions of No. **11.9** stipulate the conditions under which a land station for reception from mobile stations is to be notified to the Bureau. In combining the conditions of all these provisions, the Board concluded that the following categories are not to be notified to the Bureau:

- Worldwide frequencies for use by ship and coast SSB radiotelephone stations by simplex (single-frequency) operation and for intership cross-band (two-frequency) operation (frequencies indicated in Part B, Section I, Sub-Section B of Appendix **17**);

- Worldwide working frequencies for ship stations equipped for NBDP telegraphy and data transmission systems on a non-paired basis (frequencies indicated in Part B, Section III of Appendix **17**).

2 If the frequencies referred to in § 1 above are used by other services and/or for purposes other than those specified in the Radio Regulations, they should be notified under the relevant provisions of Article **11** and in some cases under the provisions of No. **4.4**.

3 Bearing in mind that all communications in the aeronautical mobile (R) and (OR) services in the HF exclusive bands are made in a single frequency simplex mode of operation, the use of the relevant frequency is adequately covered through the notification of the transmitting aeronautical station and the notification of the associated receiving station (for reception of the transmissions from aircraft stations) is not necessary. Therefore, the Board instructed the Bureau not to accept any frequency assignment notice related to a receiving aeronautical station in the bands governed by Appendices **26** and **27**.

11.17

This provision and provisions of Nos. **11.18** to **11.21B** identify assignments to terrestrial stations to be notified individually. All other assignments^{1, 2, 3} can be notified either as a typical station or as individual stations, as the administration concerned considers appropriate. The frequency assignments which shall be notified individually, under the procedure of Article **11**, are the following:

1 Assignments to stations covered by the Allotment Plans of Appendices **25**, **26** and **27** (No. **11.18**) and by any Frequency Assignment Plan.

2 Assignments to stations of the broadcasting service in any band (No. **11.19**).

3 Assignments to stations of all terrestrial services which are within the coordination area of an earth station (No. **11.20**) if the notified bandwidth of the terrestrial station is situated wholly or partially within a frequency band which is allocated with equal rights to terrestrial and space services where coordination is required under Appendix **5**, Table 5-1.

According to No. **11.20**, no notification of a typical terrestrial station is receivable if the terrestrial station is within the coordination area of an earth station. In view of the current difficulties of the Bureau to ascertain, at the time of the receipt of the notice, whether a terrestrial station is situated within the coordination area of an existing earth station or one for which the coordination has been effected or initiated, the Board instructed the Bureau to encourage administrations to submit individual notices to terrestrial stations in every case where the notified bandwidth of the terrestrial station is situated wholly or partially in any of the bands shared between terrestrial and space services with equal rights if the allocation to

¹ Frequencies for common use listed in Chapter VI of the Preface to the IFL shall not be notified.

² Frequency assignments to stations in the amateur service shall not be notified (No. **11.14**).

³ Frequency assignments to broadcasting stations in the high frequency bands allocated to the broadcasting service between 5 900 kHz and 26 100 kHz which are subject to the procedure of Article **12** shall not be notified under Article **11** (see No. **11.14**).

the space service comprises the space-to-Earth direction. The Bureau may also accept a notification to a typical station in these bands, if the notifying administration so wishes, under the understanding that the subject notice form may be returned to the notifying administration at a later stage, if the Bureau's examinations confirm that the notified geographical area of operation of the typical terrestrial station overlaps the coordination area of an earth station. Such a notice, when published in Part 1 of the BR IFIC, shall bear a special symbol making reference to this Rule of Procedure.

4 Assignments to any terrestrial stations in bands shared with space services with equal rights which exceed the limits of the terrestrial station parameters specified in Tables 8a, 8b, 8c and 8d of Appendix 7 and in No. **21.3** (No. **11.21**).

The Board concluded that the first part of this provision is intended to afford appropriate protection to receiving earth stations when the terrestrial stations are using a high e.i.r.p. Given the variety of conditions specified in the referred Tables of Appendix 7, the Board decided that administrations shall submit an individual notice whenever the e.i.r.p. exceeds the following limits:

50 dBW (for analogue modulation) and 37 dBW (for digital modulation), in any of the frequency bands below 3 GHz that are mentioned in Tables 8a and 8b;

55 dBW (for analogue modulation)⁴ and 42 dBW (for digital modulation), in any of the frequency bands between 3 GHz and 15 GHz that are mentioned in Tables 8b and 8c;

55 dBW (for analogue modulation)⁴ and 40 dBW (for digital modulation), in any of the frequency bands above 15 GHz that are mentioned in Tables 8c and 8d.

5 Assignments to terrestrial stations in the frequency bands listed in Table **21-2** (No. **11.21A**).

The Board concluded that this provision is intended to protect the GSO. It should be applied to all terrestrial services in the bands referred to above, irrespective of their category of allocation.

6 Assignments to terrestrial stations which are governed by the procedure for seeking agreement under No. **9.21** (No. **11.21B**).

⁴ The e.i.r.p. given in Tables 8c and 8d of Appendix 7 is derived from a total e.i.r.p. of 55 dBW.

11.28

Comparison of data with those submitted under Article 9

Number **11.28** does not refer to the need to compare the notified characteristics with those published in the Special Sections for advance publication, for coordination, and for results/status of the coordination. A frequency notice submitted under No. **11.2** or **11.9** whose characteristics differ from those published in a Special Section necessarily requires consideration by the Bureau for appropriate actions. The following actions shall be taken:

- 1) The date of bringing into use of frequency assignments to a space station shall be compared with the date of receipt of the relevant complete information under No. **9.1** or **9.2** in the case of satellite networks or systems not subject to Section II of Article **9** or under No. **9.1A** in the case of satellite networks or systems subject to Section II of Article **9**. In the case that this period exceeds seven years, the notice is returned to the notifying administration with a recommendation to restart the Article **9** procedure.
- 2) When the notified characteristics are different from those published in the Special Section relating to the advance publication submitted by an administration or automatically generated by the Bureau the need to re-apply the Article **9** procedure shall be examined under No. **9.2**. If required, the notice is returned to the notifying administration with a recommendation to restart the Article **9** procedure.
- 3) When the notified characteristics are different from those published in the Special Section relating to the advance publication of the coordination request as appropriate, the difference is assumed to have resulted from coordination.
- 4) For practical reasons, the Bureau could not systematically undertake the comparison of coordination information contained in the notice form submitted under No. **11.2** or **11.9** and that from the voluminous correspondence from the coordination phase. The Board thus decided that the No. **11.32** examinations of the Bureau shall be based on the coordination information available from the notice forms (Boxes A5/A6). This information being the most up to date for the case under examination, the Bureau shall consider the notified data of the network submitted in the notice form as coordinated with those countries mentioned in Boxes A5/A6.

11.31

1 Provision No. **11.31.2** requires that the “*other provisions*” mentioned in No. **11.31** should be identified and included in the Rules of Procedure. This chapter intends to answer the above problem.

The regulatory examination under No. **11.31** includes the following⁵:

- conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations, including its footnotes and any Resolution or Recommendation which is referred to in such a footnote;
- the successful application of No. **9.21**, when mention is made of that provision in a footnote (see also Rules of Procedure relating to Nos. **9.21** and **11.37**);
- all “*other*” mandatory provisions that are contained in Articles **21** to **57**, in Appendices to the Radio Regulations and/or in Resolutions that are relevant to the service in the frequency band in which a station of that service operates.

2 The list of these “*other provisions*”, referred to in No. **11.31.2**, with respect to which the notices to stations in terrestrial (§ 2.1 to 2.5.2) or space services (§ 2.6 to 2.6.7) are examined, is given below:

2.1 *Broadcasting service*: Those contained in No. **23.7** concerning the power limit (50 kW) of the broadcasting transmitters operating in the Tropical bands in the frequency bands listed in No. **23.6**.

2.2 *Fixed service*: Those of No. **24.2** which stipulate that F3E and G3E emissions are prohibited in the fixed service below 30 MHz.

2.3 *Aeronautical mobile service*: There are mandatory provisions only for the frequency bands that are allocated exclusively to the aeronautical mobile service. These provisions (obligatory channelling arrangement, permitted classes of emission, power limits) are contained in Appendices **26** and **27**. The provisions of No. **43.4** also fall into this category of mandatory regulatory provisions, i.e. the prohibition of using the exclusive frequency allocations to the aeronautical mobile service for any kind of public correspondence.

⁵ With respect to the application of this provision to assignments of the BSS, see comments under Rules of Procedure concerning Nos. **23.13B** and **23.13C**.

2.4 *Maritime mobile service*: Most of them are related to the frequency bands that are allocated exclusively to the maritime mobile service (obligatory channelling arrangements, permitted classes of emission, power limits, etc.); however many of them are also applicable to the non-exclusive allocations to the maritime mobile service. A summary of the provisions that are applicable to the frequency assignments subject to notification is given in the Table below:

	Provision No.
Power limits	52.104 52.117, 52.127 (Region 1 only), 52.143, 52.144, 52.172 52.184-52.186, 52.188, 52.202 (Region 1 only) 52.219, 52.220, 52.227, 52.265, 52.266
Class of emission	52.2, 52.3 52.101, 52.177, 52.183, 52.188, 52.198, 52.217
Mandatory sub-division	52.10 (Region 1 only), 52.13 Appendix 17

2.5 The list of these “*other provisions*”, referred to in No. **11.31.2**, with respect to which notices to stations in terrestrial services⁶ in the bands that are shared with equal rights with space services are examined, is given below:

2.5.1 conformity with the limits concerning the maximum equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.), in the context of services and frequency bands indicated in Table **21-2** (Nos. **21.3, 21.4, 21.5A** and **21.6**);

2.5.2 conformity with the limits concerning the power delivered by a transmitter to the antenna of a station in the fixed or mobile services (13 dBW in frequency bands between 1 GHz and 10 GHz, 10 dBW in frequency bands above 10 GHz), in the context of services and frequency bands indicated in Table **21-2** (Nos. **21.5** and **21.6**).

2.6 The list of these “*other provisions*”, referred to in No. **11.31.2**, applicable to space services, is given below so far as Articles **21** and **22** are concerned:

⁶ In bands shared by terrestrial and space radiocommunication services, the administration may use passive repeaters in the fixed service (radio-relay systems). While generally the passive repeater is situated close to the transmitting or receiving station, it usually involves a major change in the direction of the maximum radiation which may further affect the orbit; for this reason, the Board decided that administrations shall be requested to notify both parts of the link as separate stations, i.e., transmitting stations to passive repeater and passive repeater to receiving stations; and that each of the notices, containing information in accordance with Appendix 4, is treated as a separate assignment representing a separate station.

2.6.1 conformity with the power limits for earth stations as stipulated in provisions Nos. **21.8**, **21.10** and **21.12**, **21.13**, **21.13A** account being taken of Nos. **21.9** and **21.11** ⁷, and in provisions **22.26** to **22.28** or **22.32** (as appropriate) under the conditions specified in **22.30**, **22.31** and **22.34** to **22.39**, where the earth stations are subject to those power limitations (see also § A.16 of Appendix 4);

2.6.2 conformity with the minimum angle of elevation of earth stations as stipulated in provisions Nos. **21.14** ⁸ and **21.15**;

2.6.3 conformity with the limits of power flux-density from space stations produced at the Earth's surface as indicated in the Table **21-4** (No. **21.16**)⁹, as well as with the epfd_↓ limits in Tables **22-1A** to **22-1E** (No. **22.5C**), taking into account, as appropriate, the provisions of Nos. **21.17** and **22.5CA**;

2.6.4 conformity with the limits of power flux-density from space stations produced at the GSO as indicated in Nos. **22.5** and **22.5A** as well as with epfd_{is} limits in Table **22-3** (No. **22.5F**);

2.6.5 conformity with limit of equivalent power flux-density (epfd) from earth stations produced at the GSO (epfd_↑) as indicated in the Table **22-2** (No. **22.5D**);

2.6.6 conformity with the single-entry limit specified in No. **22.5L** for non-geostationary-satellite systems in the fixed-satellite service;

2.6.7 conformity with the limit of power flux-density (pfd) from earth stations produced at the GSO as stipulated in provision No. **22.40**;

2.6.8 conformity with the limit specified in Nos. **22.8**, **22.13**, **22.17** and **22.19**.

3 Other provisions of Articles **21** and **22** will not be taken into account in the Regulatory examination under No. **11.31** and the Board understands that these provisions are to be applied between administrations.

4 (Not used)

5 Conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations

The examination of conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations consists of determining whether the assigned frequency and/or the necessary bandwidth of the emission is within the frequency band allocated to the service in which the station in question operates. Another element is to identify the category of the service according to the Table of Frequency Allocations. The following rules are applied in this connection:

⁷ See Rules of Procedure relating to No. **21.11**.

⁸ See Rules of Procedure relating to No. **21.14**.

⁹ **Note:** WRC-19 took the decision related to compliance of frequency assignments to non-GSO FSS satellite systems with RR Article **21** pfd limits applicable in the frequency band 17.7 - 19.3 GHz, during the 8th Plenary, see items 3.11 to 3.15 of Doc. CMR19/569, approval of Doc. CMR19/451, as follows:

“WRC-19 (...) instructs the Radiocommunication Bureau to issue qualified favorable findings under RR Nos. 9.35/11.31 when examining compliance of frequency assignments to non-GSO FSS satellite systems with RR Article 21 pfd limits applicable in the frequency band 17.7-19.3 GHz if the notifying administration requests it to do so. Such practice shall apply to non-GSO FSS satellite systems for which coordination requests have been received from 23 November 2019 until the last day of WRC-23”

5.1 *Out-of band emissions:* In the case where the assigned frequency is in a band which is not allocated to the service in which the station operates the notice receives an unfavourable regulatory finding. If the assigned frequency is on the edge of a band which is not allocated to the service the finding is also unfavourable.

5.2 *Overlapping emissions:* In the case where the assigned frequency is in the band which is allocated to the service, but the necessary bandwidth overlaps the immediately adjoining band which is not allocated to the service, the notice receives an unfavourable regulatory finding.

5.3 *Receiving point of a terrestrial service is in a region where the service is not allocated:* In the case of a circuit whose transmitting point is in a country, sub-Region or Region where the frequency is allocated to the service, but whose receiving point is not, an unfavourable regulatory finding is issued.

5.4 The relationship between the notifying administration and the territory in which the station is located is covered by Resolution 1 (Rev.WRC-97) (see also comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. 9.3 and Resolution 1 (Rev.WRC-97)). The notification of assignments to space stations raises the following questions:

- Should there be any relation between the territory of the notifying administration and the orbital position of a space station in the case of worldwide allocations?
- Should there be any such relation in the case of Regional allocations or allocations to a group of countries or to individual countries?

In reply to these questions the Board reached the following conclusions:

- a) In the case of worldwide allocations without a specific restriction in a footnote, any administration may notify any orbital position and any service area in any part of the Earth which is visible from the space station.
- b) When an allocation is made with territorial restrictions, such as for national use, the service area must then be limited to that territory.
- c) In the case of a Regional allocation, as the limits separating the three Regions do not refer to the geostationary-satellite orbit, the orbital position is not taken into consideration when determining if the Regional allocation is respected; only the service area is used to formulate a finding; this finding is favourable if the service area is entirely located in the Region to which the allocation is made and unfavourable otherwise. When there is no specific restriction in a footnote, any administration, pertaining or not to the Region to which the allocation is made, may notify any orbital position and any service area within the Region to which the allocation is made.

- d) The c) above applies equally to an allocation to a sub-Region or to a country.
- e) As indicated in c) and d) above, the service area notified by an administration is not necessarily the territory of the notifying administration. When the service area notified covers totally or partly the territory of another administration, it is assumed (unless advised to the contrary by an administration not accepting such practice) that an agreement exists between the administrations concerned. If, following the publication of an assignment in the BR IFIC, an administration objects to the notified service area, the Bureau informs the notifying administration of the comments received and will modify the service area only if the notifying administration so requests.
- f) A space station has a “*coverage area*” which generally encompasses the “*service area*”. Article 1 does not contain a definition for these terms; however, the definitions given in Annex 5 to Appendix 30 may be used. Generally the coverage area results in an unavoidable transmission over the territory of other countries and the comments made in e) above do not apply to such unavoidable overlap.

5.5 *Categories of allocation:* In the case when the assigned bandwidth overlaps two frequency bands that are both allocated to the service in question, with different categories of allocation, the favourable regulatory finding is accompanied by the indication of the status derived from the lowest of the two categories of allocation.

5.6 *Tropical broadcasting bands:* The frequency bands listed in No. 23.6 are allocated on a shared basis to the tropical broadcasting, to fixed and mobile services (see also No. 5.113). In the Tropical Zone (No. 5.16-5.21) the broadcasting service has priority over the other services in these frequency bands and the frequency assignments to services other than the broadcasting service are indicated so as to show their lower status with respect to the frequency assignments to stations in the broadcasting service, while retaining their status with respect to the non-broadcasting assignments from both inside and outside the Tropical Zone (Symbol V in Column 13B2).

6 The No. 11.31 examination relative to the successful application of No. 9.21 shall be made on the basis of the information on the status of the coordination agreement available to the Bureau in the Form of Notice.

7 The examination under Articles 21 and 22 may result in cases where the limits stipulated in these Articles are exceeded. When the agreement of other administrations is foreseen, the Bureau will formulate a favourable finding under No. 11.31 only if it is informed that such agreement exists. This agreement is treated by the Bureau separately from the coordination agreement.

8 For the examination of conformity with power limits, including power flux-density limits and e.i.r.p. limits, the Board noted that the transmission characteristics defined at the emission level of a frequency assignment are used together with the associated antenna gain characteristics. The transmitted power levels are derived from Appendix 4 data items C.8.a.1/C.8.b.1 – maximum/total peak envelope power and items C.8.a.2/C.8.b.2 – the maximum power density. The Board decided that other Appendix 4 elements providing either maximum or average beam peak e.i.r.p. as a single value or as a function of the elevation angle (Appendix 4 data items B.4.b.4.a, B.4.b.4.abis, B.4.b.4.ater, B.4.b.4.b, B.4.b.4.c, B.4.b.4.cbis, B.4.b.4.cter, B.4.b.4.d) could not be used to calculate the transmitted power for the purpose of examination under No. **11.31**. However, those elements may be used during bilateral coordination between administrations.

9 In cases where the satellite network or system containing frequency assignments to the service link (see information submitted under data item A.1.c of Annex 2 to Appendix 4) does not belong to the same notifying administration as the frequency assignments to the feeder link and the notifying administration of the satellite network or system containing the service link does not agree to such use, the Board decided that the latter administration shall inform the notifying administration of the feeder link and the Bureau. Following the receipt of such information and in the absence of any contrary information, the Bureau will review the finding of the frequency assignments to the feeder link under No. **11.31**.

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1 Examination of a frequency assignment to a space station

1.1 The literal application of this provision would lead to the examination of the notified assignment with any station identified in application of No. **9.27** while this examination or a major part of it was already done during the application of the coordination procedure. The Board adopted a practical approach which consists of the following:

- a) Calculations with respect to networks of an administration indicated in the notice as having given its agreement to the coordination Nos. **9.7** or **9.7B** are not carried out, assuming that any difference that may exist between the notified characteristics and those published in the relevant Special Section under Nos. **9.7** or **9.7B** is coordinated with and accepted by this administration.
- b) If all administrations identified in the relevant Special Sections mentioned above are not included in Boxes A5/A6 without any reference to § 6 of Appendix **5** or No. **11.32A**, the notice shall be sent back to the administration with an unfavourable finding with respect to No. **11.32**. For practical reasons, when an unfavourable finding with respect to No. **11.32** is given at this stage, the examination under No. **11.31** shall not be performed.

(See Circular Letter No. 104 of 10 August 1998 and Rules of Procedure under No. **9.52C**.)

- c) In order to identify other administrations that may be affected, the notified characteristics are compared with those published in the Special Section mentioned above and, if they are identical or covered by those published in these Special Sections, the result of calculations/examination already made for these Special Sections is used.
- d) If the notified characteristics are different from those published, calculations are made on the basis of Appendix **5** and, if additional administrations (other than those listed in corresponding Special Sections in Boxes A5/A6) which either receive more interference or cause more interference due to the modified characteristics than that previously received or caused are identified, an unfavourable finding shall be given and the notice form shall be returned to the notifying administration. The notifying administration would be requested to publish a modification to the Special Section in question and initiate coordination with administrations identified in that modified Special Section. If there is no additional administration which would receive more interference or cause more interference due to the modified characteristics than that previously received or caused is identified, a favourable finding shall be given. See also the Rules of Procedure relating to No. **9.27**.

1.2 The Board noted that the World Radiocommunication Conference (Dubai, 2023) (WRC-23) suppressed the following data items in Annex 2 to Appendix **4**: item A.4.b.4.g – the right ascension of the ascending node (RAAN); and items A.4.b.4.k/ A.4.b.4.l (RR 2020 edition) – the date and time at which the satellite is at the location defined by the longitude of the ascending node. The Board decided that information submitted prior to 1 January 2025 on

the right ascension of the ascending node of orbital planes for non-geostationary satellite (non-GSO) systems subject to Section II of Article 9 should continue to be used during coordination (including during examination of a modification to frequency assignments of non-GSO systems in application of the Rule of Procedure on No. 9.27) when no information is available on the longitude of the ascending node (see data item A.4.b.4.j of Annex 2 to Appendix 4) for the same orbital plane or when it is different from the existing longitude of the ascending node.

2 Examination of a frequency assignment to an earth station with respect to the application of Nos. 9.7, 9.12, 9.12A and 9.13

- a) This examination would normally involve the application of Table 5-1 of Appendix 5 with respect to the space network to the space network coordination to each frequency assignment of each earth station, the comparison of the results so obtained with the values corresponding to the already published or notified earth stations, and the identification of the administrations affected.
- b) It was noted that in practice, when coordinating their satellite networks, administrations usually take account of the earth stations whether their characteristics were published or not. WARC Orb-88 considered the complexity of the procedures of former Articles 11 (now 9) and 13 (now 11), mainly with respect to their application to earth stations and decided to adopt a network coordination approach. In view of the above, the Board decided that the following simplified procedure should be applied.

2.1 Examination of an assignment to an earth station received for the first time

The examination of frequency assignments to earth stations with respect to the application of Nos. 9.7, 9.12, 9.12A and 9.13 shall be carried out by verifying the status of the corresponding assignments to the associated space station (i.e. the satellite network).

2.1.1 Case where the space station's assignments are recorded in the Master Register

- a) In the case of a space station recorded with a favourable No. 11.32 finding (successfully coordinated or not requiring coordination), the assignment to the associated earth station shall be assumed to have been coordinated and shall be given a favourable No. 11.32 finding with the following indication in Boxes A5/A6 of Part II-S of the BR IFIC:
 - Z/9.7, 9.12, 9.12A and 9.13 as the case may be/--- (see Preface) followed by the names of administrations appearing in Boxes A5/A6 under the symbol 9.7, 9.12, 9.12A and 9.13 as the case may be/--- of the associated space station (if no administration is listed because of application of § 6 of Appendix 5, only Z/9.7, 9.12, 9.12A and 9.13 as the case may be will be indicated); and
 - numbers 9.7, 9.12, 9.12A and 9.13 as the case may be/--- followed by the names of administrations indicated in the Form of Notice of the earth station, if appropriate.

- b)* If, after the publication of such an assignment to an earth station in Part II of the BR IFIC, any administration objects to the Bureau's action described in *a)* above the Bureau shall examine the already recorded assignment to the earth station with respect to Nos. **9.7**, **9.12**, **9.12A** and **9.13** by applying the criteria and method prescribed in Appendix **5**. As a result of this examination, the Bureau will either review or retain the finding initially reached on the assignment in question and, in either case, will communicate its conclusions to the administration which had objected to the recording.
- c)* The approach of *a)* and *b)* above was extended to the case of a space station recorded with a favourable No. **11.32A** finding (examination of the probability of harmful interference). The assignment of the associated earth station shall be given a favourable No. **11.32** finding with respect to the application of Nos. **9.7**, **9.12**, **9.12A** and **9.13** with the appropriate indications, in Boxes A5/A6, as described in *a)* above.
- d)* The approach of *a)* and *b)* above was likewise extended to the case of a space station recorded under No. **11.41** (unfavourable No. **11.32A** finding). The assignment of the earth station shall be given a favourable No. **11.32** finding with respect to the application of Nos. **9.7**, **9.12**, **9.12A** and **9.13** with the appropriate indications, in Boxes A5/A6, as described in *a)* above, and Z/**11.41** followed by the names of the relevant administrations appearing in Boxes A5/A6 of the associated space station under the symbol **11.41**.
- e)* In the case of an associated space station recorded with an unfavourable finding under No. **11.36** (operating in accordance with No. **4.4**), the earth station will be given a regulatory (No. **11.31**) finding and, if applicable, a coordination conformity finding, independent from the unfavourable regulatory Finding of the space station. The coordination conformity finding shall nevertheless only concern its conformity with the coordination procedure under Nos. **9.15**, **9.17**, **9.17A**, and **9.19**. When recorded, a symbol describing the situation will also be added to the assignment to mean that the earth station has this status only with respect to coordination with terrestrial services; and with respect to earth stations operating in the opposite direction of transmission; and has no recognized status in the space network coordination context (Nos. **9.7**, **9.12**, **9.12A** and **9.13**).

2.1.2 Case where the space station's assignments are not recorded in the Master Register

This category may include the following cases:

- a)* a space station for which the procedure of Section II of Article **9** is applicable and not yet communicated to the Bureau under Nos. **9.30** and **9.32**;

- b)* a space station in the process of coordination (the coordination procedure not yet completed and the space station not yet notified under No. **11.15**);
- c)* a space station successfully completed the procedure of Article **9** but not yet notified to the Bureau under No. **11.15**;
- d)* a space station notified (No. **11.15**) but returned to the administration with an unfavourable finding Nos. **11.31** or **11.32** and **11.32A**; and
- e)* a space station already notified (No. **11.15**) but not yet recorded (being processed by the Bureau).

2.1.2.1 Starting from the principle that the leading element of a space network is the space station and that it would be misleading to record in the Master Register earth stations for which a space station (network) is not recorded, the Board decided that an earth station cannot be recorded in the Master Register before its associated space station. Consequently the earth stations of categories of § 2.1.2 *a)* to *d)* above will be given an unfavourable No. **11.32** finding.

2.1.2.2 The earth station notices of category of § 2.1.2 *e)* above shall be processed by the Bureau together with the associated space station and the No. **11.32** finding with respect to the application of Nos. **9.7**, **9.12**, **9.12A** and **9.13** will be given in accordance with the finding of the space station either in application of § 2.1.1 *a)* (Favourable finding) or 2.1.2.1 (Unfavourable finding).

2.1.3 Earth stations outside the service area of the associated space station

Earth stations outside the service area of the associated space station shall be given an unfavourable No. **11.32** finding with respect to the application of Nos. **9.7**, **9.12**, **9.12A** and **9.13** as appropriate, assuming that the coordination of the associated space station could not have taken account of earth stations outside the service area.

2.2 Examination of a modification of a recorded assignment to an earth station

The modification of an assignment to an earth station may concern:

- the modification of the orbital position of the associated space station; or
- the replacement of the associated space station with another one; or
- the modification of any other characteristic(s).

2.2.1 Modification of the orbital position of the associated space station

The modification of the orbital position of the associated space station may affect other satellite networks and may have led the administration responsible for the space station to re-apply the coordination procedure. The Bureau assumes that the concerned earth stations were taken into account in the coordination of the modification of the associated space station and consequently will apply the rules indicated in § 2.1 above.

2.2.2 Replacement of the associated space station

The Board considers that the replacement of the associated space station results in the earth station participating in a different network. Consequently, the notification of the modification will be considered as a first notification, the notice will be modified, and the administration will be informed accordingly. The examination under No. **11.32** with respect to application of Nos. **9.7, 9.12, 9.12A** and **9.13**, as appropriate will be carried out as indicated in § 2.1 above.

2.2.3 Modification of other characteristics

The Board assumes that the modified characteristics of concerned earth stations were also taken into account in the coordination of the associated space station and consequently will apply the Rules indicated in § 2.1 above.

2.3 Cancellation of the space station's assignment

If the space station's assignment is cancelled by the notifying administration, the Bureau shall review the earth station(s) associated with that space station and in accordance with No. **13.13** suggest to the notifying administration to either cancel or suitably modify the basic characteristics of the entry.

3 Examination of a frequency assignment to an earth station with respect to the application of Nos. 9.15, 9.17, 9.17A and 9.19

See comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.27** (§ 3.1 and 3.2).

4 Examination of frequency assignment notices to stations in terrestrial services in the bands shared with equal rights with space services

4.1 In its examinations of a frequency assignment notice for a station of a terrestrial service, in the bands shared with equal rights with space services, from the point of view of its conformity with the procedures relating to coordination with respect to earth stations of other administrations, the Bureau takes into account those earth stations which are recorded in the Master Register. To this effect, the Bureau uses the coordination contour associated to the respective earth station and calculated in accordance with the calculation method and parameters being in force at the time of notification of the earth station.

If, within a period of three years following the date of notification¹⁰ of the terrestrial station, the Bureau receives a comment from another administration, indicating that the concerned assignment was included in a coordination procedure initiated by this later administration pursuant to No. **9.29** in respect to its earth station(s) coordination under No. **9.15** or **9.17**, and was not agreed to, or was agreed with different technical characteristics, the Bureau will review the situation in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article **14** and will proceed accordingly.

5 Examination of frequency assignment notices to earth stations operating in the opposite direction of transmission

5.1 In its examinations of a frequency assignment notice to an earth station operating in the opposite direction of transmission, from the point of view of its conformity with the procedures relating to coordination with respect to earth stations of other administrations, the Bureau takes into account those earth stations which are recorded in the Master Register.

If, within a period of three years following the date of notification¹⁰ of the earth station operating in the opposite direction of transmission, the Bureau receives a comment from another administration, indicating that the concerned assignment was included in a coordination procedure initiated by this later administration pursuant to No. **9.29** in respect to its earth station(s) coordination under No. **9.17A**, and was not agreed to, or was agreed with different technical characteristics, the Bureau will review the situation in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article **14** and will proceed accordingly.

¹⁰ In cases where the Bureau is not in a position to publish notification data under No. **11.28** within three years following the date of notification, a comment received three months after the date of publication shall be taken into account by the Bureau.

6 Examination of frequency assignments to an inter-satellite link of a geostationary space station communicating with a non-geostationary space station

6.1 The Board noted the specific nature of inter-satellite links where one end of the link is on a GSO space station and the other on a non-GSO space station. Under Article 9 (No. 9.7) there is a requirement to effect coordination for frequency assignments of GSO networks, but there is no similar requirement for assignments of non-GSO networks. It is thus unclear whether coordination under Section II of Article 9 applies:

- a) to both ends of the inter-satellite link, i.e. to the GSO as well as to the non-GSO station of the link, thus rendering the entire link coordinated (as is the case in all other forms of coordination); or
- b) only to the GSO station of the inter-satellite link, leaving the other end uncoordinated; or
- c) to none of the stations of the inter-satellite link, leaving the entire inter-satellite link uncoordinated (as is the case when coordination does not apply, e.g. non-GSO networks).

6.2 In view of the above, the Board decided that, until WRC clarifies this matter, assignments in inter-satellite links between GSO and non-GSO space stations shall be treated as follows:

6.2.1 The general description of the inter-satellite link shall be sent to the Bureau for advance publication in accordance with Sub-Section IA of Article 9.

6.2.2 Provisionally, these assignments shall not be considered as being subject to the coordination procedure under Section II of Article 9.

6.2.3 At notification stage, no finding shall be given under **11.32** (Column 13A2) and symbol "K" will be inserted in Column 13B2 with the following meaning:

"K": this frequency assignment to an inter-satellite link of a geostationary space station communicating with a non-geostationary space station is not taken into account by the Bureau in its examination under No. **11.32**.

6.3 Cases already recorded in the Master Register by the Bureau shall not be reviewed under this Rule.

6.4 This Rule applies to links between GSO and non-GSO satellites in all frequency bands allocated to inter-satellite service as well as to other space services in the space-to-space direction, with the exception of cases where the need for coordination is explicitly stipulated in the Radio Regulations. In particular, this Rule does not apply to cases in which the need for coordination under No. **9.11A**, **9.12A** or **9.13**, as the case may be, is mentioned in a footnote to the Table of Frequency Allocations (see also the Rule of Procedure relating to No. **9.11A**).

Note: WRC-15 took the decision related to the RoP on No. **11.32** during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CMR15/505, Approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to section 3.2.3.2 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), as follows:

*“Taking into account the fact that affected administrations can submit information on a different coordination status at any time before or after Part II-S publications, and in order not to unduly delay the processing of notification submissions, the Bureau is examining the notification information under No. **11.32** as follows:*

- i) If the enquiry process is completed before the Bureau’s Weekly Approval Meeting, then the coordination status based on the results of the enquiry will be taken into account in the formulation of findings;*
- ii) If the enquiry process is not yet completed before the Bureau’s Weekly Approval Meeting, the findings with respect to the affected administration will be based on the coordination status submitted by the notifying administration at the time of notification. The Bureau will then take appropriate action, whether to review or not the findings, after the conclusion of the Bureau’s enquiry process.”*

11.32A

The calculation method to assess the probability of harmful interference and the criteria for the formulation of the findings of the Bureau for the coordination under No. **9.7** are contained in the Rules of Procedure B3 except for the cases mentioned in No. **11.32A.2** and Resolution **762 (WRC-15)**.

11.34

1 Bands governed by Appendix 25

1.1 With regard to these examinations of conformity with the allotment Plan of Appendix **25**, the Board took into consideration the following elements:

1.1.1 The “original” Plan, produced at the MWARC-74, contains only an indication of the allotment areas on the given channel. The conformity of the relevant assignments with the allotments was checked using that information and the other general mandatory provisions of the Radio Regulations concerning the channelling arrangement, the class of emission and the transmitter power.

1.1.2 The updates of the Plan, through the application of the procedure of the former Article 16 of the Radio Regulations (edition of 1990, revised in 1994) and Section I of Appendix **25**, contain more data, notably information of the transmitter power, characteristics of the antenna, hours of operation and service area as a result of the coordination with the administrations concerned. Consequently, the characteristics of the notified assignments have to correspond to the characteristics resulting from the coordination.

1.1.3 For the purpose of the implementation of Resolution **325 (Mob-87)***, the ex-IFRB asked for (and obtained) more precise data concerning the intended use of the new channels, which were made available by WARC Mob-87. However, many administrations indicated that the subject information had to be considered as a working assumption, since the definitive characteristics would depend on the established allotment arrangement (number of allotments per channel, characteristics of the other allotments and the actual use of the allotments by other administrations). Consequently, the characteristics of the allotments entered in the new channels of the Appendix **25** Plan, as indicated in ex-IFRB Circular-letter No. 860 of 22 March 1991, are considered as working assumptions only and not as compulsory conditions.

1.1.4 However, the inclusion of the new allotments in the former channels of the Appendix **25** Plan, pursuant to Resolution **325 (Mob-87)***, has been performed on the insistence of the administration concerned and the search for the least affected channel has been effected on the basis of very firm characteristics of the relevant requirement (power, hours of operation, peak hours of operation, service area, traffic information). If the characteristics had been different, the least affected channel would have been different.

1.2 In view of the above, the Board decided to adopt the following rules concerning the examination of the frequency assignments notices, under No. **11.34**, from the point of view of their conformity with the corresponding allotments of the Appendix **25** Plan:

1.2.1 The characteristics of the frequency assignment notices, which correspond to the allotments of the “original” Appendix **25** Plan (as adopted by the MWARC-74), or to the allotments entered in the new channels of the Appendix **25** Plan pursuant to Resolution **325 (Mob-87)***, which were made available by WARC Mob-87, will be checked only with respect to the general conditions concerning the use of the channels for duplex radiotelephony (conformity with the channelling arrangement of Section I, Sub-Section A, of Part B of Appendix **17**: conformity with Nos. **52.177**, **52.217**, **52.219** and **52.220**) and, where applicable, with respect to the conditions contained in the Appendix **25** Plan concerning the location of the transmitting coast station;

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-95.

1.2.2 The characteristics of the frequency assignment notices, which correspond to the allotments entered in the Appendix **25** Plan pursuant to the application of the procedures of the former Article 16 of the Radio Regulations, or the procedure of Section I of Appendix **25**, as well as those entered in the former channels of the Appendix **25** Plan in accordance with § 5 of the Annex to Resolution **325 (Mob-87)*** (determination for the least affected channel pursuant to the insistence of the administration), will be checked with respect to their conformity with all conditions stipulated against the relevant allotment in the Appendix **25** Plan (i.e. location of the transmitting coast station vis-à-vis the allotment area, power limit, hours of operation).

1.2.3 The non-conformity with the relevant characteristics of the Appendix **25** Plan will result in an unfavourable finding under No. **11.34** and the modification of these characteristics will be subject to the application of the procedure of Section I of Appendix **25** to the Radio Regulations.

2 Bands governed by Regional allotment or assignment Plans

2.1 The following action shall be taken by the Bureau when the examination of a notice shows that it is not in conformity with a Plan annexed to a Regional Agreement:

2.1.1 The frequency assignments in the bands governed by Regional Agreements that are referred to explicitly in the Table of Frequency Allocations shall be treated in the following manner:

2.1.1.1 the frequency assignment notices submitted without reference to No. **4.4** shall be returned to the notifying administration;

2.1.1.2 the frequency assignment notices submitted under the provisions of No. **4.4** shall be recorded with an unfavourable finding regarding No. **11.31** and under the conditions of No. **4.4**.

2.2 The frequency assignments in the bands governed by Regional Agreements that are not referred to explicitly in the Table of Frequency Allocations shall be treated in the following manner:

2.2.1 For the Agreements that allow the possibility of bringing into use assignments that are not in accordance with the relevant Plan (i.e. GE75, RJ81, GE85-MM-R1, GE85-EMA and GE06): the assignment shall be examined according to the conditions specified in the Agreements and if the conditions are fulfilled, the assignment shall be recorded accordingly. If the conditions are not fulfilled the assignments shall be treated in accordance with § 2.2.2 below, with the exception of the submissions governed by the GE06 Agreement.

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-95.

2.2.2 For the Agreements that contain no indication as to bringing into use assignments that are not in accordance with the relevant Plan (i.e. in the bands governed by the Regional Agreements ST61, GE84 and GE89) the notice shall be returned to the administration with a suggestion to apply the necessary procedure or make the necessary modifications to the notice, in order to be in conformity with the Plan. However, if the administration insists on reconsideration of the notice, the assignment shall be recorded with a favourable finding under No. **11.31** together with the name(s) of the administration(s) whose Plan assignments are likely to be affected, indicating that with respect to this (these) administration(s) the recorded assignment will be operated under the conditions of not causing harmful interference to, and not claiming protection from harmful interference caused by, a station operating in conformity with the Plan.

2.2.3 The submissions governed by the GE06 Agreement, which are not in accordance with the broadcasting Plans or the List of assignments to other primary terrestrial services, shall be treated in accordance with the applicable procedures, as stipulated in Article 5 of the GE06 Agreement.

11.36

See comments under the Rules of Procedure relating to No. **4.4** concerning frequency bands which are prohibited from any other use than that indicated in the Radio Regulations.

11.37

An assignment can be recorded in the Master Register with reference to No. **4.4** only in the case of an unfavourable finding with respect to No. **11.31** e.g. non-conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations (see No. **11.36**). This implies that No. **4.4** is also applicable to non-conformity with the coordination requirement under No. **9.21** when this provision is referred to in a footnote of the Table (see No. **11.31.1**). A consequence of the above is that an assignment which is in conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations but for which the relevant coordination procedure (e.g. Nos. **9.7** to **9.19**) has not been completed cannot be recorded under No. **4.4**. There are other provisions (e.g. Nos. **11.32A**, **11.33** and **11.41**) which may lead, in given circumstances, to recording when the coordination has not been successfully effected.

11.41 and 11.41.2

The provisions of No. **11.41.2** require the notifying administration, when submitting notices in application of No. **11.41**, to indicate to the Bureau that efforts have been made to effect coordination with those administrations whose assignments were the basis of the unfavourable findings under No. **11.38**, without success. In the absence of such an indication, a resubmission under No. **11.41** after a notice is returned under No. **11.38** shall be considered as not receivable and returned to the administration.

11.43A

1 Modification of a space network may take place during the coordination process; this case is covered in the comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning Nos. **9.27** (§ 2), **9.58**, **11.28** and **11.32**.

2 If the modification concerns the notification of assignment(s) in frequency band(s) not covered by other assignment(s) already recorded in the Master Register, No. **11.43A** does not apply and it will be processed under No. **11.2** or **11.9**, as appropriate.

The purpose of the examination under No. **11.43A** is to determine whether the coordination requirements remained unchanged or, where appropriate, whether the probability of harmful interference has not increased (see also the Rules of Procedure concerning Nos. **11.28** and **11.32**). In these cases, the provisions of No. **11.43B** apply with the effect of maintaining unchanged the status (Findings) and the date of protection of the assignment. If, due to the modifications, new coordination requirements are identified by comparing the level of interference (such as $\Delta T/T$) (see also §§ 2.3 and 2.4 of the rules of procedure on No. **9.27**) resulting from consideration of the initial characteristics and that of modified characteristics, then an unfavourable finding shall be given and the Form of Notice shall be returned to the notifying administration. The notifying administration should be requested to apply Section II of Article **9**. The findings with respect to No. **11.32** are determined on the basis of the coordination agreements effected to meet the new coordination requirements. In the case, where the provisions of Nos. **11.32A** and **11.33** are applicable and the examinations show an increase in the probability of harmful interference compared with that which resulted from the initial examination, then the finding is unfavourable and the notice shall be returned in accordance with provision No. **11.38**. See also the Rules of Procedure under No. **11.43B**.

3 The reference in Nos. **11.44**, **11.44.1**, **11.47** and **11.48** to the seven year regulatory period should be considered as five years from the date of receipt by the Bureau of the notification of the modification referred to in No. **11.43A**. (See also the comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **11.44B**).

4 Modification of an earth station by changing the associated space station or the associated beam so far as No. **11.32** is concerned is covered in the comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **11.32** in § 2.2.2 and 2.2.3.

5 When the modification of a frequency assignment to an earth station is examined in application of Nos. **9.15**, **9.17** and **9.17A**, the coordination distance is calculated in each azimuth and the coordination under Nos. **9.15**, **9.17** and **9.17A** is required only with those countries on whose territory the coordination distance is increased owing to the modification (see comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.27** (§ 3.1 and 3.2)).

6 When the modification of a frequency assignment is examined in application of No. **9.19**, the power flux-density of the transmitting station (terrestrial station or FSS earth station) with modified characteristics is calculated at the edge of the BSS service area and the coordination under No. **9.19** is required only with those countries where the power flux-density limit at the edge of the BSS service area is increased as the result of modification of characteristics of the transmitting station and is above the permissible level (see comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.27** (§ 3.1 and 3.2)).

11.43B

1 This provision specifies that a change in the characteristics shall be examined when appropriate with respect to Nos. **11.32** to **11.34**, as appropriate.

1.1 In the case of the examination of space networks under No. **11.32** or **11.32A**, the comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **11.43A** indicate the cases which should not be considered as modifications but as first notifications (with new date of receipt). These examinations should be carried out by checking the application of § 6 a) to 6 c) of Appendix 5 (see also §§ 2.3 and 2.4 c) of the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.27**). In cases where there is no calculation method and/or criteria to check the application of these provisions, the Bureau shall treat these modifications as new notifications of assignments. Number **11.43B** refers to an increase in the probability of harmful interference. The probability of harmful interference (*C/I*) is calculated in the examination of Nos. **11.32A** and **11.33** only. The examination of No. **11.32** is made using the threshold/condition specified in Appendix 5. When there are no technical criteria in the threshold/condition specified in Appendix 5, Administrations may provide an analysis using appropriate calculation methods and/or criteria (including those developed in the ITU-R) to the Bureau for verification of the applicability of §§ 6 a) to 6 c) of Appendix 5 for the examination under No. **11.32**.

1.2 It should be noted that in the examination under No. **11.32A**, assignments published under No. **9.38** or **9.58** but not yet notified are also taken into account. Therefore, for practical reasons, in application of this provision, these assignments shall be also taken into account in addition to assignments already recorded in the Master Register.

2 This provision makes reference to the “*original date of entry in the Master Register*”. The Board considers this date to be the date of receipt of the original notice. However, with respect to the notices received prior to 1 January 1999, the Board considers this date equivalent to the date recorded in Column 2A, 2B, or 2D, as appropriate.

11.43C

The Board concluded that the resubmitted assignments will be recorded only if the finding with respect to No. **11.31** remained favourable.

11.44

The information concerning the date of bringing into use is to be provided in the following occasions:

- in AP4 notice forms when submitted under No. **11.15**; and
- in the confirmation of the date of bringing into use under Nos. **11.44.2, 11.47, 11.44B, 11.44C, 11.44D** and **11.44E**.

It should be noted that the information concerning the date of bringing into use shall be provided for each assignment or group of assignments. (See also the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **11.44B, 11.44C, 11.44D** and **11.44E**).

11.44B, 11.44C, 11.44D and 11.44E

1 These provisions concern the bringing into use of a frequency assignment to a space station. In order to consider such a frequency assignment as having been brought into use, the notifying administration has to inform the Bureau, within thirty days from the end of the ninety-day period defined in Nos. **11.44B** or **11.44C**, or from the end of the period referred to in No. **11.44** for cases related to Nos. **11.44D** or **11.44E**, of the deployment information specified in these provisions.

2 The Board carefully studied the relationship between the various provisions related to bringing into use of frequency assignments for a satellite network or system under Nos. **11.43A, 11.44, 11.44.2, 11.44.3, 11.44B, 11.44B.1, 11.44B.2, 11.44C, 11.44C.1, 11.44C.2, 11.44C.3, 11.44C.4, 11.44D, 11.44D.1, 11.44D.2, 11.44D.3, 11.44E, 11.44E.1** and **11.47** and concluded that the Bureau will apply the following procedure.

3 No. **11.44**¹¹ establishes the regulatory time limit for bringing frequency assignments to a space station into use and states that the Bureau shall cancel those frequency assignments which are not brought into use within the required regulatory period. Nos. **11.44B**, **11.44C**, **11.44D** and **11.44E**, as well as Nos. **11.44B.2** and **11.44C.3**, established the conditions upon which a frequency assignment to a space station shall be considered as having been brought into use. The Bureau will record the date of the commencement of the ninety-day period defined in Nos. **11.44B** or **11.44C**, or the date of deployment defined in Nos. **11.44D** or **11.44E**, or the date provided by the administration in accordance with Nos. **11.44B.2** or **11.44C.3**, as the notified date of bringing into use (see No. **11.44.2**). The date of bringing into use of an assignment will be made available on the BR web with indication of status of confirmation and subsequently be published in PART II-S of the BR IFIC if the assignment is to be recorded in MIFR. In the absence of the confirmation information under Nos. **11.44B**, **11.44C**, **11.44D** and **11.44E**, as well as Nos. **11.44B.2** and **11.44C.3**, the Bureau shall cancel the assignments provisionally recorded in the MIFR under No. **11.44**¹² and/or delete the relevant special sections under No. **11.48**¹³, as appropriate.

4 Frequency assignments for which an administration has submitted notification information for recording in the MIFR without submitting the mandatory information required under the provisions of Nos. **11.44B**, **11.44C**, **11.44D** and **11.44E**, will be recorded provisionally in the MIFR. Thereafter, at the end of the period provided under No. **11.44**, the Bureau shall act in accordance with the provisions of No. **11.47** and/or Nos. **11.44B**, **11.44C**, **11.44D** and **11.44E**.

11.46

This provision describes the actions of the Bureau in respect to the resubmitted notices that are received more than six months after the date on which the original notice was returned. The Board studied its applicability to space and terrestrial notices and concluded that:

- a) the requirement contained in the first sentence of this provision and stating that a resubmitted notice received more than six months after the date of its return is considered as a new notification, shall be applied to frequency assignments to space and terrestrial stations;
- b) all other requirements of No. **11.46**, as well as the provision of No. **11.46.1** shall apply only to frequency assignments to space stations.

¹¹ Similarly applicable to §§ 4.1.3 or 4.1.3*bis* or 4.2.6 or 4.2.6*bis* of Article 4 of Appendices **30** and **30A** and §§ 6.1 or 6.31*bis*, and 6.33 of Article 6 of Appendix **30B**.

¹² Similarly applicable to § 5.3.1 of Article 5 of Appendices **30** and **30A** and §8.16 of Article 8 of Appendix **30B**.

¹³ Similarly applicable to §§ 4.1.3 or 4.1.3*bis* or 4.2.6 or 4.2.6*bis* of Article 4 of Appendices **30** and **30A** and §6.33 of Article 6 of Appendix **30B**.

11.47

The reference in No. **11.47** to No. **11.44** and its regulatory period should be considered as five years from the date of receipt of a notice of a change referred to in No. **11.43A**. (See also the comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **11.43A** and No. **11.44B**).

Note: WRC-19 took the decision related to the implementation of No. **11.47** with respect to provisional recordings, during the 8th Plenary, see items 3.11 to 3.15 of Doc. CMR19/569, approval of Doc. CMR19/451 in relation to section 3.1.4.3 of Doc. CMR19/4 (Add.2), as follows:

“In considering section 3.1.4.3 on ‘Possible revision to the implementation of RR No. 11.47 with respect to provisional recordings’, WRC-19 decided upon the second option of two options raised in this section were preferred to address the issue as follows:

The Bureau is instructed to automatically extend the foreseen dates of bringing into use in the database to the end of the regulatory period established under RR No. 11.44 if no confirmation has been received by the Bureau within four months from the foreseen date of bringing into use: no publication will be issued for this revision of the date of bringing into use, but this information will be visible on the BR website. This option does not require any change in the current Radio Regulations.”

**11.48 and
11.48.1****Actions from the Bureau following a Board decision to grant an extension for bringing into use frequency assignments to a satellite network**

When the Board decides to grant an extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use frequency assignments to a satellite network in cases of *force majeure* or co-passenger delay, this raises the question of whether the deadline for the submission of Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)**, Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** and notification information should also be extended. Indeed, Nos. **11.48** and **11.48.1** do not only relate to the bringing into use, but also require that the Radiocommunication Bureau receives the first notice for recording of the frequency assignments under No. **11.15** before the end of the 7-year regulatory period and the due diligence information under Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and/or Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** at the latest 30 days after the end of the 7-year regulatory period.

Unless explicitly decided otherwise by the Board, an extension of the date of bringing into use of frequency assignments to a satellite network does not imply an extension of the regulatory deadline for submitting the notification, Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and/or Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** information under Nos. **11.48** and **11.48.1**, because such information about the planned frequency usage and coordination status would be useful to other administrations in the planning of their satellite projects and their coordination activities. Consequently, in cases where this information has not been provided before the decision of the Board to grant an extension of the deadline for bringing into use, the Bureau will inform the notifying administration after the Board decision that it still has to provide, in accordance with Nos. **11.48** and **11.48.1**, the notification within the 7-year period as well as Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and/or Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** information pertaining to the satellite that faced a case of *force majeure* or a co-passenger delay at the latest 30 days after the end of the 7-year period.

When Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and/or Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** information has been submitted to the Bureau before the decision of the Board to grant an extension of the deadline for bringing into use, the notifying administration shall provide to the Bureau updated Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and/or Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** information. If, 30 days after the end of the period of extension, the notifying administration has not provided to the Bureau such updated Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and/or Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** information, the related frequency assignments shall lapse, and the corresponding information published under Nos. **9.1A, 9.2B** and **9.38**, as appropriate, shall be cancelled. If, one month before the above-mentioned deadline, the notifying administration has not provided to the Bureau updated Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and/or Resolution **552 (Rev.WRC-23)** information, the Bureau shall promptly send a reminder to the notifying administration.

11.49 and 11.49.1¹⁴

1 Suspended assignments

1.1 Under the provisions of No. **11.49**, the Board understands that an administration may inform the Bureau of the suspension of the use of a frequency assignment to a space station for a period not exceeding three years and that during this period the frequency assignment shall still continue to enjoy the protection acquired by virtue of the coordination agreements already obtained.

1.2 The Board decided that the procedure described below shall apply. The procedure will only be valid for suspended assignments which are not modified before being brought back into use.

2 Recording of a suspension of use

2.1 When the Bureau is informed, either under No. **11.49** or in response to an inquiry under No. **13.6**, that the use of a frequency assignment to a space station recorded in the Master Register is suspended, this information is published in the relevant Part of the BR IFIC and posted on the BR web page maintained for that purpose (in order to inform all administrations) and the entry in the Master Register will be amended to include the expected date of resumption of use indicated by the notifying administration.

2.2 Frequency assignments to space stations whose suspension is notified for a period of not more than three years will continue to be taken into account for the purposes of the examination of other assignments in accordance with Nos. **9.36, 11.31.1, 11.32, 11.32A** and **11.33** until the time that the consultation concerning their resumption of use is completed (see § 2.4 below).

¹⁴ Similarly applicable to §§5.2.10 and 5.2.11 of Article 5 of Appendices **30** and **30A** and §8.17 of Article 8 of Appendix **30B**.

2.3 Frequency assignments to space stations whose suspension is notified for a period of more than three years will not be taken into account for the purpose of examinations of other assignments under Nos. **9.36**, **11.31.1**, **11.32** and **11.32A**, and **11.33** as of the date of such notification or after confirmation from the administration of the period of suspension exceeding three years and shall be cancelled.

2.4 *Consultation concerning resumption of use of an assignment*

At the expiry of the period of suspension of the use of a frequency assignment, the notifying administration is consulted as to the date of resumption of use. According to the results of the consultation, the Bureau will apply the following procedures:

2.4.1 When the administration informs that the use has been resumed this information is published in PART II-S of the BR IFIC and/or posted on the webpage as appropriate, provided that the effective date of resumption indicated by the administration is prior to the date limit for the resumption of use established in accordance with No. **11.49**. Where the resumption of frequency assignments pertains to a GSO satellite network, the Bureau will publish the resumption in PART II-S of the BR IFIC only when the notifying administration confirms the deployment and maintenance of the GSO satellite network in accordance with the provision No. **11.49.1**. See also Resolution **40 (Rev.WRC-19)**.

2.4.2 When the administration notifies that the use will be resumed at a date subsequent to the date limit for the resumption of use established in accordance with No. **11.49**, these assignments shall be cancelled according to the provision No. **11.49**. For those assignments for which the use would be resumed later than the date limit established in accordance with No. **11.49**, the administration responsible for the assignment shall apply again the relevant procedure of Article **9**, Appendix **30**, **30A** and **30B**, as appropriate.

Note: WRC-15 took the decision related to the RoP on Nos. **11.49** and **11.49.1** during the 12th Plenary, Par. 3.1 to 3.8 of Doc. CMR15/509, Approval of Document CMR15/453, as follows:

*“WRC-15 decided to invite the Radio Regulations Board, in its application of No. **11.49** as revised by WRC -15, to consider any legitimate mitigating circumstances that could result in a notifying administration's inability to meet the six-month deadline. If the Bureau has reliable information that the use of a frequency assignment has been suspended, but it still is within the six-month period, the Bureau is encouraged, as a courtesy, to remind the notifying administration of its obligation to inform the Bureau of the suspension under No. **11.49**.”*

11.50

This provision instructs the Bureau to periodically review the Master Register (MIFR) with the aim of maintaining or improving its accuracy, with particular emphasis on the review of the findings so as to adjust them to the changing allocation situation after each World Radiocommunication Conference. Concerning the latter part of this provision “...with particular emphasis on...”, given a large variety of possible changes in allocation situations and the considerable number of fields used for storing finding information in the MIFR, the Board concluded that the most appropriate way of providing instructions to the Bureau concerning the review of findings would be to determine the main elements for such a review. The Board therefore decided that, in reviewing the findings under No. **11.50**, the following main principles shall be applied, unless otherwise decided by the Conference:

1 When new or modified regulatory provisions enter into force, the findings of the recorded assignments concerned shall be revised and updated by the Bureau with a view to reflecting their compliance with the modified regulatory provisions/allocations.

2 Prior to any action, the Bureau shall contact each notifying administration concerned about the review of findings of the assignments concerned and provide information concerning the possible courses of action, which shall be based on the principles specified in items 3 to 6 below. If no reply is received before the deadline established by the Bureau (normally 30 days from the date of the Bureau’s communication), the Bureau shall send a reminder. If no reply is received within 30 days after the date of the reminder, the Bureau shall implement the proposed course of action.

3 When a change to Article **5** results in abrogation of an allocation to a radiocommunication service, the recorded assignment concerned should be suppressed from the Master Register. If the notifying administration requests to retain the assignment and states that it will be operated in accordance with No. **4.4**, the assignment shall be kept in the MIFR for information purposes under the conditions of No. **8.5**.

4 When a change to Article **5** results in downgrading of the category of allocation and the downgraded allocation is not subject to any additional conditions, or when the recorded assignment meets all the additional conditions to which the downgraded allocation is subject, the status of the recorded assignment concerned shall be downgraded accordingly and the assignment shall be retained in the Master Register, unless the notifying administration requests its suppression.

When the downgraded allocation is subject to additional conditions and the conditions related to the regulatory examination under No. **11.31** (e.g. power limits, restrictions to national operation, requirements for agreement under No. **9.21**, separation distances, etc.) are not met, the Bureau shall propose the deletion of the assignment to the notifying administration, or that its characteristics be modified to comply with the new conditions. If the administration requests to retain the assignment with its characteristics unchanged and states that it will be operated in accordance with No. **4.4**, the assignment shall be kept in the MIFR for information purposes under the conditions of No. **8.5**. Concerning the application of the relevant coordination procedures, the Bureau shall propose to the notifying administration to suppress or to resubmit the assignment for the application of these procedures. Concerning examination under No. **11.32**, the recorded assignment, with its characteristics unchanged, shall be considered as having successfully completed, as of the date of its original recording in the MIFR, the applicable coordination procedures in respect of the services allocated with equal rights.

5 When a change to Article **5** results in the allocation to a new service or upgrade of the category of an existing service, the Bureau shall draw the notifying administration's attention to the recorded assignment concerned, which previously had a lower status or was recorded under the conditions of No. **4.4**, and propose to the administration that it submit a new assignment to replace the previous one. The relevant coordination procedures shall apply to the newly submitted assignment and no particular priority shall be given to it in this process. The status of the assignment should be upgraded only if all relevant provisions of the Radio Regulations have been applied. If concurrently with the above new or upgrade allocation to a service (S2), the change to Article **5** also results in the upgrade of the category of another existing service (S1) in the same frequency band, the Bureau shall draw the attention of the administration to its assignments to service S1 recorded in the MIFR or received for coordination prior to the decision of the conference and propose to the administration that it submits a new assignment to replace the previous one within a time limit of up to four months. The Bureau shall then consider that any such new S1 assignment submission received within the time limit does not have to apply the relevant coordination procedure with the assignments of the new or upgraded service S2.

6 When a change to Article **5** results in the modification of the conditions of an allocation without modification of the category of allocation (e.g. additional regulatory/technical restrictions or new/modified coordination procedures), then the original findings of the recorded assignment concerned may be kept only subject to conformity with the new conditions. In such a case, the Bureau shall ask the notifying administration whether the characteristics of the assignment will be modified to comply with the new conditions. If the notifying administration does not respond to the Bureau's inquiry (see item 2 above) or if the conditions are not met, the Bureau shall propose the deletion of the assignment to the notifying administration. If the administration requests to retain the assignment with its characteristics unchanged and states that it will be operated in accordance with No. **4.4**, the assignment shall be kept in the MIFR for information purposes under the conditions of No. **8.5**.

Concerning examination of frequency assignments with respect to their conformity with a world or regional plan under No. **11.34**, when the conditions of the applicable plan are changed, the original findings of the recorded assignment may be kept only subject to conformity with the new conditions. If the conditions are not met, the corresponding assignment may be retained in the MIFR with unfavourable finding under No. **11.34**.

7 The Board noted that Article **5** contains a number of provisions under which an allocation to a radiocommunication service is subject to obtaining the agreement of the administrations concerned, e.g. Nos. **5.175**, **5.188**, etc., without referring to No. **9.21**. Obtaining such agreement is not regulated by either the procedures of Article **9** or the Rules of Procedure and is to be resolved directly between the administrations concerned. Furthermore, when examining the relevant frequency assignment notices, the Bureau does not verify such agreements. In the above context, the Board decided that in the case of a review of findings of the relevant assignments, the Bureau shall not take into account the presence or absence of agreements of other administrations when formulating new findings.

8 After completion of the review of findings, the frequency assignments concerned together with the modified findings shall be published in relevant Parts of the BR IFIC, and an Information Note shall be included in the BR IFIC, drawing the attention of administrations to the review of findings and explaining the reasons for and content of the review.

Rules concerning the consolidation of frequency assignments of different GSO networks submitted by an administration at the same orbital position into frequency assignments of a single satellite network

1 Introduction

The Board noted the request of WRC-12 for a detailed description of the Radiocommunication Bureau's actions with respect to consolidating frequency assignments of different geostationary-satellite orbit (GSO) networks submitted by an administration at the same orbital position, into frequency assignments of a single satellite network.

In this respect, the Board understands that the consolidation of frequency assignments of GSO satellite networks shall only be possible for assignments recorded in the MIFR, associated with satellite networks at exactly the same orbital position, upon request by the administration (or the administration acting on behalf of a group of named administrations) that notified the assignments. The following principles shall apply.

2 Structure of notice

The consolidation of recorded frequency assignments of several satellite networks into one network will consist in aggregating all alphanumerical data related to frequency assignments of the involved GSO satellite networks contained in the Space Network Systems database (SNS) of the Radiocommunication Bureau and the associated graphical data contained in the Graphical Interference Management Software (GIMS) reference database.

2.1 Identity of the satellite network (Appendix 4, Annex 2, A1)

Only satellite networks with identical information related to the notifying administration shall be qualified for consolidation:

- A.1.f.1 Notifying administration
- A.1.f.2 Group of administrations
- A.1.f.3 Intergovernmental satellite organization

2.2 Orbital information (Appendix 4, Annex 2, A4)

Satellite networks to be consolidated shall have an identical orbital position (A.4.a.1).

In case of different values for the longitudinal tolerance (A.4.a.2.a.b) and/or inclination excursion (A.4.a.2.c), the smallest values shall be used for a consolidated network. It is understood that the operation of the consolidated satellite networks would be within the smaller longitudinal tolerance and/or inclination excursion.

2.3 Antenna beam and group of frequency assignment characteristics (Appendix 4, Annex 2, B and C)

Satellite antenna beam designation and associated individual characteristics (gains and gain contour diagrams, antenna Radiation patterns and Antenna gain diagrams in the direction of part of the GSO not obstructed by the Earth, service area) will be kept unchanged as separate beams in the single notice of the consolidated satellite networks, except if otherwise requested by the notifying administration.

The characteristics of each group of frequency assignments for a satellite antenna beam, including the date of receipt of the complete information under No. **9.34** and any remarks in the MIFR shall be kept unchanged and separate, regardless of its characteristics.

Specific study will be undertaken on a case-by-case basis for consolidation of satellite network notices which include beam-strapping tables and beam naming when the same beam name appears in more than one of the networks being consolidated.

2.4 Identifier of the notice and groups

Only one identifier for the consolidated notice (Notice ID) shall be retained; the notice IDs of the other involved networks recorded in the MIFR will be removed from the system. The unique original identifier of the groups of frequency assignments (Group ID) will be retained, including the status of coordination.

3 BR IFIC (Space Services) and Annex to the BR IFIC

3.1 Part I-S

The information on the consolidated network including references to the involved satellite networks will be published in Part I-S of the BR IFIC (Space Services) and be distributed with the respective databases (SRS, SPS, AP30B, GIMS, SNL) in the Space BR_IFIC DVD.

3.2 Special Sections

The special sections (API/A, CR/C, CR/D, AP30/E, AP30A/E, AP30-30A/E/, AP30B/A6B...) of the different satellite networks referred to in the consolidated satellite network recorded in the MIFR will not require a new publication. Information on the associated special sections and Part-IS of the consolidated satellite networks will be indicated under Appendix 4 item A.13 (Reference to the published special sections of the BR IFIC).

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 12 of the RR

12.9

Technical analysis

The technical analysis is composed of propagation calculation and compatibility analysis. For both modules, the calculation of antenna patterns shall be made using the current Recommendation ITU-R BS.705, the propagation shall be calculated according to Recommendation ITU-R P.533 and the reliability according to Recommendation ITU-R P.842. If any of these Recommendations is modified, the Bureau shall inform all administrations when the modification is implemented.

The test points referred to in the propagation and compatibility analysis are those agreed to at WARC HFBC-87.

The propagation calculation shall be made for all bands where Article 12 applies and at all test points within the required service area. It will be calculated at the centre frequency of the broadcasting band concerned. There will be one calculation for each hour entirely or partially used, and this calculation will be made for the hour H+30 min. For example, an operation time 02H15 to 04H05 will lead to calculations at 02H30, 03H30 and 04H30.

Results will be given for each hour, either:

- as the basic service reliability in the requested service area;
- or as the basic circuit reliability for each test point within the required service area;
- or as the power at the receiver for each test point within the required service area;
- or as the field strength received by the reference receiving antenna.

The compatibility analysis shall be made at all test points within the required service area. It may be based either on pre-calculated values of power received at the 911 test points, or values to be calculated on the user's computer. The hours for which calculations are made are determined in the same way as for the propagation calculation.

The compatibility analysis shows the overall service reliability for all test points within the required service area and the overall area reliability for these test points. The highest interferers at each test point will also be indicated.

For these calculations, the reliability values relate to the use of a single frequency. In the case of analogue DSB emissions the RF signal-to-noise ratio will be 34 dB and the RF protection ratios will be taken from Annex 4 to Recommendation ITU-R BS.560 (17 dB for co-channel). In the case of digital emissions, the desired RF signal-to-noise ratios are provided in the most recent version of Recommendation ITU-R BS.1615 and the RF protection ratios are given in Section 1 of the Annex to Resolution **543 (Rev.WRC-19)**.

The user may decide to choose other values for signal-to-noise ratio and co-channel RF protection ratio, and not to consider adjacent channel interference with frequency differences greater than a given value.

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 13 of the RR^{*,**}

In reviewing Sections III and IV of Article 13, the Board noted that modifications were introduced by WRC-97 and WRC-03 particularly in relation to the process of considering proposed changes or additions to the Rules of Procedure and the opportunity available to administrations to comment on such proposals.

Nos. 13.12A, 13.14 and 13.15 in Section III establish procedures for changes to the Rules of Procedure and a sequence for Board consideration, publication, comment by administrations and possible further review or special study. On the other hand, No. 13.17 in Section IV also refers to preparation of draft modifications or additions to the Rules of Procedure.

The Board has concluded that there is a lack of clarity in the procedures to be followed for modifications or additions to the Rules of Procedure.

* **Note:** WRC-15 took the decision related to RR No. 13.6 during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CMR15/505, approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to Section 6 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1) (Add1)), as follows:

“With regards to the issue of whether partial evidence provided by an administration to support the use of frequency assignments across a frequency band may be considered as sufficient, in a reply to a RR No. 13.6 query, to demonstrate the use, or continuation of use, of frequency assignments in accordance with the notified characteristics recorded in the MIFR, WRC-15 was of the view that administrations need to respond as completely as practicable to queries under RR No. 13.6. If the Bureau receives what it considers to be a partial reply to a query, it is expected that the Bureau would further clarify the scope of its query for the administration or request additional or alternative information. In addition, it was recognized that WRC-15 agreed some revisions to RR No. 13.6 that are intended to ensure greater transparency in the application of this provision. These revisions should have the consequence of helping to address such issues.”

** **Note:** WRC-19 took the decision related to the application of No. 13.6, during the 10th Plenary, see items 10.5 to 10.7 of Doc. CMR19/571, approval of Doc. CMR19/500, as follows:

“1 WRC-19 has adopted a new milestone-based approach for the deployment of non-geostationary satellite systems in specific bands and services. WRC-19 indicates to the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau that with the milestone approach, WRC-19 is not encouraging routine use of No. 13.6 in the Radio Regulations, in the absence of reliable information, to seek confirmation of the deployment of the number of satellites in notified orbital planes for non-geostationary satellite orbit systems in frequency bands and services not listed in resolves 1 of the new Resolution.

(...)

*Furthermore, WRC-19 instructs the Bureau in applying the relevant provisions of the RR (e.g. No. 11.44C.2 or resolves 9d) of Resolution [7(A)-NGSO-MILESTONES]) to exercise utmost caution until such time as ITU-R completes studies on tolerances.” ****

*** *Note by the Secretariat:* The definitive number of Resolution [[7(A)-NGSO-MILESTONES] (WRC-19)] is Resolution 35 (Rev.WRC-23).

Accordingly, the Board decided that the following procedures should be followed with respect to the application of Nos. **13.14**, **13.15** and **13.17**:

- a) Proposals for changes or additions to the Rules of Procedure can emerge from administrations, from the Bureau, or from the Board itself. Irrespective of the source of proposals, the Board regards No. **13.17** as requiring that the Bureau should prepare draft modifications or additions to the Rules of Procedure arising from such proposals. In accordance with No. **13.12A c)**, such drafts shall be available to administrations at least ten weeks prior to the start of the Board meeting.
- b) The Bureau, in accordance with No. **13.14**, shall submit to the Board the final drafts of all proposed changes to the Rules of Procedure, as well as the comments received in response to the procedure in *a)* above.
- c) Any need pursuant to No. **13.15**, for a special study in relation to the Rules of Procedure submitted by an administration or identified by the Board or the Bureau, or the need for any new Rules or modification or addition to the existing Rules of Procedure shall be handled in accordance with the procedure in *a)* and *b)* above.

See also Rules of Procedure in Part C (Rules concerning working methods of the RRB).

13.2

Noting that No. **13.2** does not provide a detailed procedure to handle requests of assistance made under this provision, the Board decided that the Bureau shall apply the following steps for cases of harmful interference.

- 1) When receiving a request for assistance under No. **13.2** together with the full particulars relating to the harmful interference (see No. **15.27**), the Bureau shall promptly acknowledge receipt of the communication to the affected administration, study the case and contact the administration(s) concerned to request their urgent cooperation. Further information may also be sought from any administration, if necessary (see No. **15.25**).
- 2) If the administration(s) concerned does not acknowledge receipt under No. **15.35** within seven days from the dispatch of the Bureau's communication, the Bureau shall send a reminder.
- 3) If the administration(s) concerned has not informed the Bureau of the results of its investigation of the case (or of its status) within thirty days from the dispatch of the initial Bureau's communication, the Bureau shall contact the affected administration to inquire whether the harmful interference is still present.
- 4) If the harmful interference is still present, the Bureau shall send a reminder to the administration(s) concerned, indicating that, in the absence of a resolution of the case in the following thirty days, the case will be reported to the next meeting of the Board in application of No. **13.2**, together with draft recommendations to the administrations concerned.

The Board emphasized that the procedure contained in this Rule describes the actions of the Bureau when implementing No. **13.2** but does in no way modify the obligations on Administrations in the application of the provisions of the Radio Regulations related to cases of harmful interference.

The Board also reminded affected administrations to ensure that the administration(s) concerned and the Bureau were informed when the harmful interference had stopped so that the case could be considered closed.

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 21 of the RR

Table 21-2

Table **21-2** specifies the frequency bands that are shared with equal rights between space services, on the one hand, and the fixed and mobile service, on the other hand. In these frequency bands the protection of satellite receivers is ensured by the power limits which are specified in provisions Nos. **21.2** to **21.5A** and imposed on terrestrial stations. Given that notifications of stations of any radiocommunication service are recorded in the Master Register in the form of frequency assignments (see Articles **8** and **11**), the Board concluded that these power limits apply to frequency assignments to stations in the fixed and mobile services and are verified during processing of such frequency assignments by the Bureau under “other provisions” mentioned in No. **11.31** that are mandatory for verification during the regulatory examination (see also section 1 of the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **11.31**).

21.11

1 When the agreement of an administration concerned is not obtained, the assignment is not in conformity with the Radio Regulations. In order to identify the administrations concerned, the Bureau shall calculate a nominal contour based in all azimuths on the limits specified under No. **21.8** and compare it with the appropriate contour resulting from the notified e.i.r.p. and the antenna diagram. In any azimuth where the second contour exceeds the first one, an agreement under this provision is required with any administration having a territory which lies within the contour. The communication to the Bureau of the agreement of this administration is required for the formulation of a favourable finding under No. **11.31**.

2 In accordance with this provision, any frequency assignment having an e.i.r.p. that exceeds the limits by more than 10 dB will receive an unfavourable finding under No. **11.31**.

21.14

Elevation angles lower than 3° would create a high value of the e.i.r.p. towards the horizon. The Board concluded that this provision is to be used together with Section III of Article 21. This means the following:

Irrespective of the e.i.r.p. of the earth station, an elevation angle lower than 3° is subject to the agreement of the administrations concerned. In the case of receiving earth stations, to identify the administrations concerned, a nominal coordination contour is drawn at a 3° elevation angle and compared with the contour for the notified elevation angle. In any azimuth where the second contour exceeds the first one, an agreement under this provision is required with any administration having a territory which lies within the coordination area. The Bureau shall formulate a favourable finding under No. 11.31 only when it is informed of the formal agreement of these administrations.

Note: WRC-15 took the decision related to the RoP on No. 21.14 during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CMR15/505, approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to Section 3.2.5.2.6 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), as follows:

“WRC-15 considered whether existing practice of limiting grid-points to 3° elevation should be maintained when identifying affected administrations and networks under Nos. 9.36 and 9.36.2 and, possibly, extended to No. 9.41 requests from administration, or to remove this limitation from GIBC/AP8/PXT software.

The conference decided to request BR to remove the 3 degree limitation.”

21.16

Application of power flux-density (pfd) limits to steerable beams

1 Use of steerable beams is becoming widespread. pfd values produced by assignments in steerable beams often exceed the applicable hard pfd limits for some or all positions of those beams. In these cases, administrations tend to state that pfd limits will be met and sometimes provide appropriate technical description as to how it would be done.

2 For the purpose of transparency and to set an upper limit on the acceptable extent of the pfd control and avoid subjectivity in the evaluation of the pfd control method, the Board concluded that until the time that a relevant ITU-R Recommendation is available, the following Rule will apply on a provisional basis.

3 In cases where frequency assignments in steerable beams of a satellite network, except the frequency assignments under the Appendix **30B**, exceed the applicable hard pfd limits, the Bureau will establish a favourable finding only if:

- a) there is at least one position of the steerable beam where the applicable pfd limits are met without any reduction of the notified power density; and
- b) the administration states that the applicable pfd limits will be met by applying a method, the description of which should be submitted to the Bureau. One possible example of such a method is described in the Annex to this Rule.

Note: WRC-23 took the following decision for the application of Article **21** of the Radio Regulations, in regard to the pfd scaling factor to be applied to non-GSO FSS constellations with 1 000 or more space stations operating in the 17.7-19.3 GHz frequency band, see item 14.2 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):

“WRC-23 revised RR No. 21.16.6 and instructs the Bureau to issue qualified favourable findings under RR Nos. 9.35/11.31 when examining compliance of frequency assignments to non-GSO FSS satellite systems with RR Article 21 pfd limits applicable in the frequency band 17.7-19.3 GHz if the notifying administration requested it to do so. WRC-23 determined that this practice would also apply to non-GSO FSS satellite systems for which coordination requests have been received from 16 December 2023 until the entry into force of the Final Acts of WRC-23. WRC-23 also instructs the Bureau to review these findings, as well as those issued from 23 November 2019 until the last day of WRC-23, once the pfd examination software incorporates the decision of WRC-23 on No. 21.16.6. See also Document 420.”

ANNEX 1

Method to be applied to meet the regulatory pfd limits when steerable beams are used

Where steerable beams are used in satellite networks, operational measures may be needed to adjust space station transmit power density so that the applicable regulatory pfd limits for specific beam positions are met. In such cases, administrations may apply the following method for each specific steerable beam position and for each assignment in such beam:

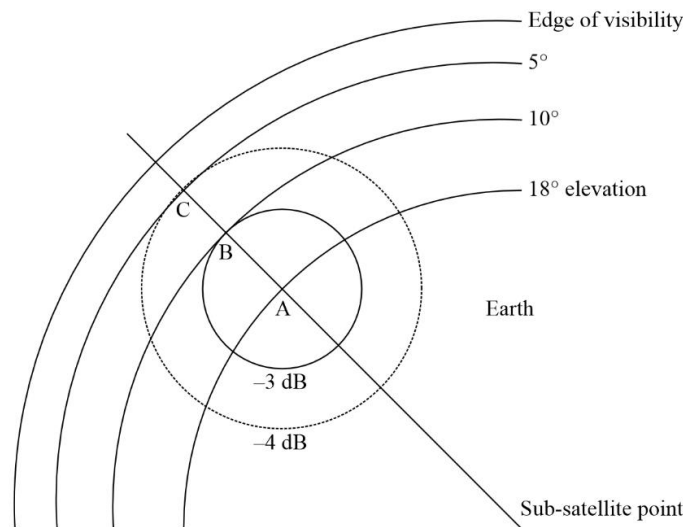
Step 1: For a specific beam position, produce a plot of beam gain contours on a map of the Earth that shows equal elevation lines.

Step 2: Using the notified power density of the particular assignment, determine if pfd produced at beam peak or any other point on the Earth exceeds the applicable pfd limits. If so, determine the maximum amount of pfd excess (i.e. find the point with largest excess over the limit).

Step 3: Adjust, i.e. reduce, the operational power density of the assignment by at least the maximum amount determined in Step 2 above, so that pfd produced on any point on the Earth meets the applicable pfd limit.

For non-GSO satellites in elliptical orbits, its distance towards points on the Earth also changes as the satellite travels along the orbit. To find the maximum amount of pfd excess in this case, Steps 1 and 2 above need to be repeated for various orbital positions of the satellite.

The application of this method is illustrated in the following example. Assume that the steerable beam is positioned as shown in the figure below.



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The beam peak is at point A and its elevation angle can be computed using geometrical methods. The -3 dB contour touches the 10° elevation line at point B, and the -4 dB contour touches the 5° elevation line at point C. For these points, pfd values, the applicable pfd limits and the excess over the limits (if any) are given in the Table below. Values are for frequencies above 15 GHz and the reference bandwidth is 1 MHz. The data in the Table show that at this particular steerable beam position it is necessary to reduce the notified power density by 2 dB to meet the regulatory pfd limit.

Beam name: **AAR** Emission: **11M7G7W--** Notified power density: **-55.7 dB(W/Hz)**

	Point A	Point B	Point C
Notified power density per Hz (dB(W/Hz))	-55.7		
Notified power density per 1 MHz (dB(W/MHz))	4.3		
Antenna gain towards a point (dBi)	50.0	47.0	46.0
e.i.r.p. towards a point (dB(W/1 MHz))	54.3	51.3	50.3
Path length (km)	39 532	40 584	41 125
Spreading loss (dB)	162.9	163.2	163.3
pfd produced at a point (dB(W/(m ² · 1 MHz)))	-108.6	-111.9	-113.0
21.16 pfd limit at a point (dB(W/(m ² · 1 MHz)))	-108.5	-112.5	-115.0
Excess over the pfd limit (dB)	-	0.6	2.0
Required reduction of power density to meet the limit (dB)	2.0		
Maximum power density to be used at this beam position (dB(W/Hz))	-57.7		

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 22 of the RR

22.5K

Noting that references to Resolution **76 (Rev.WRC-23)** were not updated by the World Radiocommunication Conference (Dubai, 2023) (WRC-23) in No. **22.5K**, the Board decided that the provision applies to non-geostationary satellite (non-GSO) systems operating in the fixed-satellite service in the frequency bands and regions listed in Tables 1A, 1B, 1C and 1D of Resolution **76 (Rev.WRC-23)**. In addition, the Board concluded that it does not apply to non-GSO systems operating in the fixed-satellite service in the frequency band 17.3-17.7 GHz in Region 2.

22.10

The Board considers that this provision means that it is for the administration concerned to decide if it can or cannot comply with the limit specified in No. **22.8**. So far as the conformity examination of the Bureau with respect to No. **22.10** is concerned, the Bureau shall formulate a favourable finding under No. **11.31** when examining the validity of the longitudinal tolerance only in the following cases:

- a) if the tolerance is within $\pm 0.1^\circ$, or
- b) if the administration indicates that its space station has the capability to be maintained within $\pm 0.1^\circ$, if necessary.

22.14

The comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **22.10** apply, replacing $\pm 0.1^\circ$ by $\pm 0.5^\circ$.

22.19

In the case of pointing accuracy there is no mandatory value to be respected. The administration has to indicate that its space station has the capability of being maintained within the limits indicated in this provision. In the absence of a statement to this effect, the Bureau shall formulate an unfavourable finding under No. **11.31**.

Rules concerning

ARTICLE 23 of the RR

23.13B and 23.13C

1 In case of a disagreement by an administration on the inclusion of its territory in the service area of a broadcasting-satellite service (except sound broadcasting) network, the Bureau shall modify the service area by excluding the territory of the objecting administration, and for submissions under Article 4 of Appendix **30** the test points situated on that territory, from the service area of the proposed BSS space station. The exclusion of the territory of the objecting administrations from the service area shall be reflected in the Bureau's Space Network System (SNS). In these cases, the reception of the emission of the BSS space station is not entitled to protection within the territory excluded from the service area.

2 If, as a consequence of the above, the notifying administration requests the Bureau to move test points to ensure that the rest of the service area is not adversely affected, the Bureau shall implement the requested changes and update the Reference Situation of the subject network. Nevertheless, the Bureau does not need to review the coordination requirements of subsequent networks that have already been published as a result of the above-mentioned update.

Note: WRC-15 took the decision related to the RoP on Nos. **23.13B** and **23.13C** during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CM15/505, approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to Section 3.2.4.2 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), as follows:

*“According to No. **23.13B** of the Radio Regulations, if an administration, within the four-month period following the publication of a special section for a broadcasting-satellite service (BSS) network submitted under Appendix **30**, informs the Bureau that all technical means have not been used to reduce the radiation over its territory, the Bureau shall draw the attention of the responsible administration to the comment received.*

*Although there is no time-limit for the Bureau to take action, the Bureau has so far sent a telefax immediately to the objecting and the responsible administrations when the comment is received, requesting both administrations to make every effort possible to resolve the issue. Due to the ever-increasing number of comments received under No. **23.13B**, the current approach is affecting the workload for the Bureau.*

*In order to perform this task in a more efficient manner and optimize the resources of the Bureau, the Bureau shall send a multi-countries communication to all those administrations who have made comments under No. **23.13B**, and to the responsible administration for the satellite network in the broadcasting-satellite service at the expiry date of the four-month regulatory period for comments on the BSS satellite network submitted under Appendix 30.”*

Rules concerning

APPENDIX 4 to the RR

An. 1

ITEM 3A1

When submitting a notice within the procedure of Article **11**, the administrations are required to provide information on the call sign or other identification used, as requested by Nos. **19.7** to **19.9** and **19.29**. Bearing in mind the variety of special arrangements concluded between administrations concerning notification of frequency assignments, the Board instructed the Bureau not to perform systematic control of the call signs referred to in No. **19.29** during the validation and examination of the notice. Nevertheless, if non-conformity of the call sign with the international call series is identified, the notifying administration is to be informed thereof.

An. 2**A.4.b.7.d.1**

The Board noted that the World Radiocommunication Conference (Dubai, 2023) had modified data item A.14.c.4, i.e. the type of mask, among one of the following types: (Earth-based exclusion zone angle, difference in longitude, latitude) or (satellite azimuth, satellite elevation, latitude mean power), to remove the reference to satellite-based exclusion zone angle and difference in longitude, latitude – the so-called X-DeltaLongitude mask. The change was made following the publication of Recommendation ITU-R S.1503-4, which had removed that type of mask.

The Board further noted that Recommendation ITU-R S.1503-4 also limited type of exclusion zone to only Earth-based exclusion zone by removing the satellite-based exclusion zone method; however, no change had been made to the description of item A.4.b.7.d.1 – *the type of zone (based on topocentric angle or satellite-based angle for establishing the exclusion zone)*.

Since only one type of exclusion zone, which shall be Earth-based (i.e. based on topocentric angle), can be used, the Board decided that notifying Administrations are not required to submit data item A.4.b.7.d.1 and that the Bureau shall apply the Earth-based exclusion zone method for all notices received as of 1 January 2025.

A.18 a)

The Board noted that the description of Annex 2 of Appendix 4, § A.18 a) corresponds to the commitment required from an administration in the case of the possible communication of aircraft earth stations in the secondary aeronautical mobile-satellite service with space stations in the fixed-satellite service, in accordance with No. **5.504A**. The Board further noted that this data element is mandatory in the case of submission of notification or coordination of a geostationary or a non-geostationary satellite network.

However, this data element is also required to check under No. **11.31** the compliance with respect to No. **5.504A** of the notification of an aircraft earth station in the secondary aeronautical mobile-satellite service communicating with a space station in the fixed-satellite service. This requirement was probably omitted by inadvertence at WRC-03.

To correct this inconsistency, the Board decided that the Administrations will be requested to provide, in addition to the relevant characteristics listed in Appendix 4, the data element described in § A.18 a) of Annex 2 of Appendix 4, when submitting the notification information of an aircraft earth station in the secondary aeronautical mobile-satellite service communicating with a space station in the fixed-satellite service in accordance with No. **5.504A**. The Bureau will then subsequently take account of this data element § A.18 a) in its completeness check of the submitted data.

A.27.b

The Board noted that item A.27.b under Annex 2 to Appendix 4 is required only for non-geostationary-satellite orbit (non-GSO) space stations submitted in accordance with Resolution 679 (WRC-23).

The description of the item shares similarities with the text of *further resolves 2* of Resolution 679 (WRC-23); however:

- *further resolves 2* refers to a firm, objective, actionable, measurable and enforceable commitment; and
- the commitment under *further resolves 2* shall be provided not only by the notifying administration of a non-GSO system but also by the notifying administration of a geostationary-satellite orbit (GSO) network receiving in the frequency band 27.5-30 GHz.

Consequently, the Board concluded that the commitment referred to in item A.27.b shall be provided by the notifying administration of a GSO network or of a non-GSO system receiving in the frequency band 27.5-30 GHz. The Board recalled that notifying administrations providing a commitment under item A.27.b shall ensure that such commitments be firm, objective, actionable, measurable and enforceable.

**A.33.a,
A.36.c**

The Board noted that a “point of contact” is mentioned in Resolutions 121 (WRC-23), 123 (WRC-23), 156 (Rev.WRC-23), 169 (Rev.WRC-23), 679 (WRC-23) and 902 (Rev.WRC-23) for various purposes.

However, only in two instances, i.e. with respect to *resolves 10.5* of Resolution 121 (WRC-23) and *resolves 7.5* of Resolution 123 (WRC-23), information on the point of contact is included as a requirement in Annex 2 to Appendix 4 (see mandatory items A.33.a and A.36.c). For both cases, it is indicated that the point of contact is for the purpose of tracing any suspected cases of unacceptable interference and that the point of contact is required to immediately respond to such requests.

Similar descriptions are given in Resolutions 169 (Rev.WRC-23) and 679 (WRC-23): a point of contact is required for the purpose of tracing any suspected cases of unacceptable interference and responding immediately to such cases; however, no requirement to provide information on the point of contact is included in Annex 2 to Appendix 4. Noting the similarity of the requirements for the point of contact described in all those resolutions, the Board decided that item A.36.c of Annex 2 to Appendix 4 is also required for submissions under Resolutions 169 (Rev.WRC-23) and 679 (WRC-23).

The information to be provided on the point of contact shall include the name of the person or entity and the e-mail address, contact telephone number and address. The information shall be captured along with other Appendix 4 data items using the Bureau’s capture software. The Board noted that Resolution 121 (WRC-23) mentions that the information should be published in a special section, whereas Resolution 123 (WRC-23) contains no such mention.

However, the Board understands that all information required under Appendix 4 must be published, although not necessarily in a special section. The Board therefore concluded that the Bureau shall include the information in a reference database and make it available on its website and publish it along with other Appendix 4 data in a relevant special section or part of its International Frequency Information Circular (BR IFIC).

B.4 a)

When submitting a notice within the applicable procedures of Articles 9 or 11, in order to better describe the power flux-density pattern on the surface of the Earth resulting from the emission of a space station aboard a non-GSO satellite in circular orbit, the following optional information can be provided together with the other data contained in Appendix 4:

Appendix 4, Annex 2A, § B.4 a) (non-GSO space station antenna characteristics)

1 In addition to the information currently contained in Appendix 4 to be provided under this item, if appropriate, indicate:

1.1 in the case of a transmitting space station aboard a non-GSO satellite in a circular orbit that is intended to communicate with earth stations via a transmitting antenna pointing in a direction that is fixed with respect to the satellite, the maximum isotropic gain (dBi) and the gain contours plotted in a radial projection from the satellite onto a plane perpendicular to the axis from the centre of the Earth to the satellite. The space station antenna gain contours shall be drawn as isolines of the isotropic gain at least for -2, -4, -6, -10, and -20 dB and at 10 dB intervals thereafter, as necessary, relative to the maximum antenna gain, when any of these contours is located either totally or partially within the limit of visibility of the Earth from the given non-GSO satellite;

1.2 in the case of a space station aboard a non-GSO satellite in a circular orbit where a steerable beam is used, data on the antenna radiation characteristics as follows:

- if the effective boresight area (see No. 1.175) is identical with the global or nearly global service area, provide only the maximum isotropic antenna gain (dBi) that is then applicable to all points on the surface of the Earth;
- if the effective boresight area (see No. 1.175) is less than the global or nearly global service area, provide the maximum isotropic gain and the effective gain contours (see No. 1.176) as defined above.

2 The additional information detailed in § 1.1 and 1.2 above is considered as optional. When examining such a case, the Bureau shall use the more detailed information to calculate power flux-density values if it is provided; if it is not the calculation shall be made as at present and be based on the maximum e.i.r.p. transmitted.

C.8.a.2, C.8.b.2, C.8.c.1, C.8.c.3

The Radiocommunication Bureau previously addressed the issue of excessive or unrealistic characteristics in satellite filings in the Reports of the Director to WRC-15 (see § 3.2.3.9 of revision 1 to Addendum 2 to [Document CMR15/4](#)) and WRC-19 (see § 3.4.3 of Addendum 2 to [Document CMR19/4](#)). Both Conferences expressed general support for raising those issues (see Documents [CMR15/505](#) and [CMR19/451](#)) and invited ITU-R to review the parameters discussed in those sections of the Reports.

Although, at that time, the issue had been raised in general, bearing in mind certain specific submissions of geostationary satellite networks, the Bureau observed a sharp increase in the number of submissions of non-GSO satellite systems containing very low maximum power spectral density of emissions (below -100 dBW/Hz).

In view of the above, the Board decided that frequency assignments to GSO satellite networks with power spectral density levels below -100 dBW/Hz were not receivable, and frequency assignments to non-GSO satellite systems or networks with power spectral density levels below -100 dBW/Hz were only receivable if clarifications were provided to the Bureau on the use of very low power spectral density values (e.g. the mode of operation, the use of spread spectrum) as well as example link budget calculations demonstrating that the submitted required *C/N* ratio objective was met with sufficient interference margin (see Attachment 2 to Section B3 of Part B of the Rules of Procedure).

C.8.b.3.c

The Board noted that the World Radiocommunication Conference (Dubai, 2023) (WRC-23) added item C.8.b.3.c in order for notifying administrations to submit the necessary bandwidth for active sensors. WRC-23 made the submission of that item mandatory only for active sensors operating in the Earth exploration-satellite service (EESS) (active) in the frequency bands 9 200-9 300 MHz and 9 900-10 400 MHz.

However, in order for the Bureau to be able to examine conformity with respect to Nos. **5.475A** and **5.478A**, the necessary bandwidth information is also required for active sensors operating in the EESS (active) and the space research service (SRS) (active) when the frequency bands 9 300-9 500 MHz and 9 800-9 900 MHz are used.

Therefore, the Board decided that the necessary bandwidth information under item C.8.b.3.c is also required for active sensors operating in the EESS (active) and the SRS (active) using the frequency bands 9 300-9 500 MHz and 9 800-9 900 MHz at the stage of advance publication of information under Section I of Article 9 (for non-geostationary-satellite orbit systems), at the stage of request for coordination (for geostationary-satellite orbit networks) and at the stage of notification under Article 11.

See also the Rules of Procedure on Nos. **5.474A**, **5.475A** and **5.478A**.

Rules concerning

APPENDIX 5 to the RR

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See Rules of Procedure relating to Nos. **9.27, 9.29, 9.31** and **11.32**.

Table 5-1

On reading the descriptions contained in the first and second columns of this Table the Board concluded that these columns contain descriptions which are of an explanatory nature, and thus should only be used for the purpose of information. The appropriate regulatory texts are those contained in the provisions of Article **9** corresponding to the reference made in the first column of the Table.

Rules concerning

APPENDIX 7 to the RR

1 Cases have arisen in practice where the coordination contour around an earth station exceeds several hundreds of kilometres and overlaps only a very small part of the territory of an administration (less than a few tens of kilometres). Considering that several conservative assumptions are used in calculating the coordination distance, the Board decided that when the overlapping is less than 5% of the coordination distance, no coordination is required.

2 The examination with respect to the application of Nos. **9.15**, **9.17** and **9.17A** involves the application of the calculation method of Appendix 7, using the system parameter values specified in its Tables 7 to 9. In view of the fact that these Tables contain multiple sets of parameters in several places (e.g. for analogue and digital modulation), which result in different coordination contours, and in order to ensure completeness in the relevant checks of the conformity with the coordination requirements, the Board decided to instruct the Bureau to use the set of parameters which produces the largest coordination area in a given frequency band whenever multiple sets of parameters are indicated in these Tables. In addition, as the system parameter tables have incomplete information in some of the columns, the Board instructed the Bureau to apply the following approach in this regard:

- to use the parameters in Table 7 for determining the coordination area for a transmitting earth station in a service not mentioned in that Table, but allocated with equal rights, based on the fact that all parameters related to the earth station needed for the calculation can be found in the notice form;
 - to use the parameters in Table 8 for determining the coordination area for a receiving earth station in respect to a terrestrial service not mentioned in that Table, but allocated with equal rights, under the assumption that the concerned terrestrial service has the same potential of interference as the other terrestrial services listed in the Table (see also § 4 of Rules of Procedure under No. **11.17**).
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Rules concerning

APPENDIX 27 to the RR

27/15

This provision specifies that the use of channels derived from the frequencies indicated in No. 27/18 for the various classes of emission other than J3E and H2B will be subject to special arrangements by the administrations concerned and affected. In this connection, and having in mind the spirit of Resolution 713 (WRC-95)*, the Board considers as a valid “special arrangement by the administrations concerned” any formal action by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) which results in Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs), which are approved by the ICAO in accordance with its procedures and which are communicated to the ITU accordingly.

27/18

1 The list of carrier (reference) frequencies, referred to in this provision contains five frequencies (21 925 kHz, 21 928 kHz, 21 931 kHz, 21 934 kHz and 21 937 kHz), which are not allotted to any of the allotment areas defined in Appendix 27. The Board considers that these frequencies are available to any administration, for such use as it may consider appropriate, provided that it is in accordance with the definition of the aeronautical mobile (R) service, as given in No. 1.33.

2 In the examinations referred to in No. 11.34, the Bureau will examine the relevant notices, related to any of these frequencies, only with respect to their conformity with the technical principles of Appendix 27 (channelling arrangement, bandwidth, class of emission, power). When these examinations lead to a favourable finding, the assignment shall be recorded in the Master Register. When the finding is unfavourable, the notice shall be returned to the notifying administration, with an indication of the appropriate action.

27/19

This provision specifies the role of the ICAO in performing voluntary coordination (“should”) in the operational use of the frequencies. The Board considers such a coordination as an internal ICAO activity, intended to conclude operational agreements between the international operators (e.g. time sharing arrangement). Therefore, the Bureau will not take into account such agreements between operators, unless they are communicated to the Bureau by their national telecommunication administrations.

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-97.

Rules concerning

APPENDIX 30 to the RR

(Rules are arranged by paragraph numbers of Appendix 30)

Art. 3

Execution of the provisions and associated Plans

3.1

For the footnote of § 3.1 see comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. 5.492.

Art. 4

Procedures for modifications to the Region 2 Plan or for additional uses in Regions 1 and 3

4.1.1 a) and 4.1.1 b)

1 In determining those administrations of Regions 1 and 3 that may be affected, the proposed new or modified assignment to the List is examined with respect to the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List as they exist at the date of receipt of the proposed new or modified assignment to the List, including the other proposed new or modified assignments to the List received before that date (whether the procedure of Article 4 is complete or not). The examination consists of ensuring that the limits of Section 1 of Annex 1 of Appendix 30 are not exceeded. Account is also taken of any time-limited new or modified assignments to the List in accordance with § 4.1.13.

2 Following the introduction by the 1983 Conference of the grouping concept for Region 2 (Articles 9 and 10 of Appendices 30A and 30 respectively) and further to the decision of WARC Orb-88 to apply the grouping concept to the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Plans (Article 9A of Appendix 30A), the ex-IFRB decided to extend this concept to the 1977 Conference BSS Plan. WRC-2000 endorsed this decision and decided to include the same grouping concept definition in Articles 11 and 9A of Appendices 30 and 30A respectively.

3 The Board's understanding of the group concept is that in the interference calculation to assignments that are part of the group, only the interference contribution from assignments that are not part of the same group are to be considered. On the other hand, for the interference calculation from assignments belonging to a group into assignments that are not part of the same group, only the worst interference contribution from that group is to be taken into consideration.

4 According to *resolves* 5 of Resolution **548 (Rev.WRC-12)**, in the processing of Regions 1 and 3 Article 4 submissions received after 2 June 2000 for identification of affected administrations, each network in a group shall be examined separately without taking into account the interference contribution from the other networks in the group. This means that the concept of calculating the worst interference contribution from the assignments that are part of a group to assignments that are not part of the same group, as indicated in Article 11 (column 14) of Appendix **30**, is not applicable to the grouped networks for the identification of affected administrations in accordance with § 4.1.5 of that Appendix. In applying § 4.1.11, the application of this method to networks received before 3 June 2000 shall not result in additional coordination requirements for those networks.

5 In order to implement this separate examination and calculate the interference effect of an Article 4 network under examination independent of other networks in the group in accordance with *resolves* 5 of Resolution **548 (Rev.WRC-12)**, the Board concluded that the following method should be used.

Identification of affected administrations should be carried out without taking into account the interference contribution from the Plan and the List assignments grouped with assignments of an Article 4 network under examination based on the reference situation established without taking into account the interference contribution from those grouped assignments.

In addition, it is understood that this separate examination is not applicable in the case of other examinations, such as e.g. under Sections 4 and 6 of Annex 1 to Appendix **30**, which do not use the grouping concept, for identifying affected administrations under § 4.1.5 of Article 4 of Appendix **30**.

6 For the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List, in accordance with *resolves* 1 of Resolution **548 (Rev.WRC-12)** and the decision of the Plenary of WRC-03, the Board concluded that grouping of networks separated by more than 0.4° in the geostationary arc is not permitted in the List except for application of § 4.1.27. However, grouping of networks separated by more than 0.4° may be used before the inclusion of the assignments in the List to modify the orbital position of a network.

For the Region 2 Plan, with respect to § 4.2.3 *c*), the Board did not find any regulatory basis to extend the use of groupings involving multiple orbital positions (except for the case of 0.4° orbital separation which was allowed for clusters within the Region 2 Plan and its subsequent modifications).

In the case of a request for replacement of an assignment/entry in the Region 2 Plan of an administration, the implementation of § 2.2 of the Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.6 of Appendix 30 requires the processing of the modified assignment requested by that administration under Article 4 of that Appendix based on the following conditions:

- no interference effect from the initial assignment of the requesting administration is considered in the overall equivalent protection margin calculations of the modified assignment requested by that administration, and vice versa; and
- no aggregate interference effect from the subject initial assignment and the modified assignment of the requesting administration is considered in the overall equivalent protection margin calculations of other assignments, but only the worst interference effect from the two is to be considered.

The above-mentioned conditions apply only during the time-period afforded for the processing of the modified assignment under Article 4 of that Appendix. After that time-period, either the subject initial assignment or the modified assignment of the requesting administration will remain in the Plan, depending on the successful application or otherwise of the Article 4 procedure for this modified assignment.

4.1.1 c)

In determining those administrations of Region 2 that might be affected, the proposed new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 List is examined with respect to the Region 2 Plan as it exists at the date of receipt of the proposed new or modified assignment including the proposed modifications of the Region 2 Plan received before that date (whether the procedure of Article 4 is complete or not). The examination will consider only those administrations having assignments whose necessary¹ bandwidth overlaps the necessary¹ bandwidth of the proposed new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 List. The Region 2 administration is identified as having services which are considered to be affected when the power flux-density at any test point which lies within the service area of the Region 2 assignment under examination exceeds the limits specified in Section 3 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30.

4.1.1 d)

1 This paragraph is understood by the Board as being intended to protect terrestrial services in any territory or part of a territory in the three Regions where this territory or part of a territory is not covered by a broadcasting-satellite assignment in a given necessary¹ bandwidth. Therefore the proposed new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 List should take account of terrestrial stations in all Regions.

¹ In the absence of a clear indication of the precise frequency of each carrier within the assigned frequency band, the Bureau uses in its analysis the assigned frequency band (i.e. data item C.3 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4) instead of the necessary bandwidth (i.e. data item C.7 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4).

2 For terrestrial stations in all Regions the limit for the power flux-density not to be exceeded by the proposed new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 List is that specified in Section 4 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30. The agreement of an administration is required when a pfd excess exists over some part of its territory, unless the necessary¹ bandwidth of the examined assignment is completely within the necessary¹ bandwidth(s) of one or more assignments² of the potentially affected administration in the Region 2 Plan or in the Regions 1 and 3 Plan or List and the area of pfd excess is inside the service area(s) of those assignments. In the absence of a defined service area contour, the area on the surface of the Earth within the -3 dB contour shall be considered as the service area of those assignments in this examination.

3 The Bureau, in applying Section 4 of Annex 1 shall, where applicable, compare the power flux-density values resulting from the proposed new or modified assignments to the Regions 1 and 3 List with those values in the Regions 1 and 3 Plan or List as appropriate. If it is not possible to do so, the Bureau should use the absolute limit expressed in Section 4 of Annex 1 to that Appendix.

4.1.1 e)

1 This examination shall consider only those administrations having assignments to FSS space stations whose necessary³ bandwidth overlaps the necessary³ bandwidth of the proposed new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 List.

2 Under this paragraph an assignment recorded in the Master Register shall be understood as defined in § 1 a), 1 b), 1 c) and 1 *cbis*) of Appendix 5.

3 In the case of inclusion of a new assignment in the Regions 1 and 3 List, different from the frequency assignments in the Plan or List for Regions 1 and 3 as established by WRC-2000, the limit prescribed in § 3 or Note 1 of Section 6 of Annex 1, as appropriate, shall be applied.

4 The Bureau, in applying Section 6 of Annex 1 shall, where applicable, compare the power flux-density values resulting from the proposed new or modified assignments to the Regions 1 and 3 List with those values in the Regions 1 and 3 Plan or List as appropriate. If it is not possible to do so, the Bureau should use the absolute limit expressed in Section 6 of Annex 1 to that Appendix.

² Assignments to satellite networks of international organizations should not be considered as being national assignments of administrations which notify them on behalf of international satellite organizations.

³ In the absence of a clear indication of the precise frequency of each carrier within the assigned frequency band, the Bureau uses in its analysis the assigned frequency band (i.e. data item C.3 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4) instead of the necessary bandwidth (i.e. data item C.7 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4).

4.1.3

1 In the event that the Bureau cancels a frequency assignment in application of § 5.3.2 of Article 5 of this Appendix, the corresponding assignment, which has been submitted either under § 4.2.6 (except in the case of a request for replacement of an assignment in the Region 2 Plan) and entered in the Region 2 Plan, or under § 4.1.3 and entered in the Regions 1 and 3 List, shall also be removed from the Plan or the List according to the case. The Bureau does not need to recalculate the affected administration(s) as a result of the above-mentioned cancellation.

2 See also Rules of Procedure concerning Receivability of the Forms of Notice.

4.1.7

Any request by an administration to be included in the list of administrations to be published shall be based only on technical reasons to be verified using Annex 1 as well as other relevant Annexes. If this indicates that the requesting administration should have been included in the list, the Bureau will include it; otherwise the requesting administration will be informed that its name will not be published, it being left to the notifying administration to consider if it is appropriate to take the request into account.

4.1.7bis

The agreement referred to in § 4.1.7bis is the agreement of the administrations identified under § 4.1.1 and of those under § 4.1.7 which have been confirmed by the Bureau using the appropriate criteria.

4.1.8

An administration which has only requested additional information in accordance with § 4.1.8 or § 4.2.12 will not be considered by the Bureau to have submitted comments in accordance with § 4.1.10 or § 4.2.14 respectively.

4.1.10c

Note: WRC-23 took the following decision on delays in fulfilling the application of assistance procedures under Appendices **30/30A** or Appendix **30B** due to communication difficulties with some administrations, see item 15.1 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):

Delays in fulfilling the application of assistance procedures under Appendices 30/30A or Appendix 30B due to communication difficulties with some administrations

“WRC-23 instructs the Bureau to apply the same course of action as adopted for Topic H of Agenda Item 7 by WRC-23 with regard to the “officially unreachable” administrations referred to in section 3.2.4.2 of Addendum 2 to Document 4 (Part II of Report of the Director to WRC-23).”

“With regard to administrations with affected assignments in the Appendices 30 and 30A Plan and/or affected allotments in the Appendix 30B Plan that have not replied to the second reminder of the Bureau referred to in § 4.1.10c of Appendices 30 and 30A and/or § 6.14bis of Appendix 30B, as appropriate, WRC-23 urges the notifying administrations of Part B submissions, with the assistance of the Bureau, to exercise their utmost effort to avoid degrading the reference situation of the assignments/allotments concerned in the Appendices 30 and 30A Plans and Appendix 30B Plan by modifying technical characteristics at the Part B stage.”

4.1.11

See also comments under § 4.1.3 and 4.2.6 and Rules relating to the Receivability of the Forms of Notice.

Note: WRC-15 took the decision related to the RoP on paragraph 4.1.11 of RR Appendices 30 and 30A during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CMR15/505, approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to Section 3.2.6.4 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), as follows:

“In Section 3.2.6.2 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), the Director described the current practice of the Bureau in examining Part B submissions received under § 4.1.12 of Appendices 30 and 30A:

The Bureau identifies a list of administrations whose assignments are considered as being affected and receiving more interference as a result of the modification than that produced by the initial proposal in accordance with § 4.1.11. The Bureau then requests the notifying administration to modify the submitted characteristics in order to eliminate the above-mentioned identification or to apply again the provisions of § 4.1 of Appendices 30 and 30A.

In reply to the Bureau’s request, some administrations have provided the Bureau with the agreement of the administration identified under § 4.1.11.

As the agreement to accept more interference has been provided and § 4.1.11 does not explicitly prevent this possibility, the Bureau has not rejected such agreements.

WRC-15 endorsed the current BR practice outlined in this section.”

4.1.15

The second part of these paragraphs applies only to those assignments for which the procedure of Article 4 has been successfully applied, i.e., all administrations identified by the Bureau in application of § 4.1.5 or 4.2.8 and § 4.1.7 or 4.2.10 have either given their agreement or failed to comment on the proposed new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 List or on the proposed modification to the Region 2 Plan.

The Bureau shall update the reference situation of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List or of the Region 2 Plan entries and of those networks which are the subject of requests for new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 List or for Region 2 Plan modifications which are still at the stage of application of Article 4. Nevertheless, the Bureau does not need to recalculate the affected administration(s) as a result of the above-mentioned update.

4.1.23

If the assignments in question were deleted from the Regions 1 and 3 List or the Region 2 Plan, the Bureau shall update the reference situation of the assignments in the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List, or in the Region 2 Plan and of the assignments under Article 4 procedure and inform all administrations of the action taken together with Special Sections published as a result of cancellation of frequency assignments from the Regions 1 and 3 List or the Region 2 Plan. The Bureau does not need to recalculate the affected administration(s) as a result of the above-mentioned cancellation.

4.2.1 a)

This paragraph refers to the modification in the sense of a change to “*the characteristics of any of its frequency assignments to a space station in the broadcasting-satellite service (BSS) which are shown in the Region 2 Plan*”. The Plan as it appears in Article 10 of Appendix **30** contains only eight characteristics, while Annex 2 contains a greater number of characteristics which were used by the RARC-SAT-R2 (Geneva, 1983) Conference to establish the Plan. Among these characteristics only one, the energy dispersal (former Annex 2, § 14 *h*), now item C.9 *b*) 8) of Annexes 2A and 2B of Appendix **4**), is referred to in the footnote of § 4.2.1. The Board considers that modifications of characteristics other than those listed in Article 10 of Appendix **30** may be considered as modifications to the Plan. These other characteristics are listed in the Rules of Procedure relating to § 5.2.1 *b*) of Article 5 of Appendix **30**.

See also the last paragraph of Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.3 *d*) and 4.2.3 *e*).

See also Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.6.

4.2.1 b)

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.1 *a*) above.

See also Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.6.

4.2.1 c)

When an administration cancels an assignment from the Region 2 Plan under this paragraph, or when the Bureau, in applying § 4.2.6 deletes an assignment from the Plan, the reference situation of the Plan assignments and those in the process of modification would be updated. The Bureau does not need to recalculate the affected administration(s) as a result of the above-mentioned cancellation.

**4.2.3 a)
and 4.2.3 b)**

In determining the administrations of Region 1 that might be affected, the proposed modification of the Region 2 Plan is examined with respect to the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List as it exists at the date of receipt of the proposed modification including all proposed new or modified assignments to the Regions 1 and 3 List received before that date (whether the procedure of Article 4 is complete or not). The examination will identify only those administrations having assignments whose necessary⁴ bandwidth overlaps the necessary⁴ bandwidth of the proposed modification of the Region 2 Plan. An administration of Region 1 is identified as having services which might be affected when the power flux-density at any test point which lies within the service area of the Region 1 assignment under examination exceeds the limits specified in § 3 of Annex 1 to Appendix **30**.

4.2.3 c)

1 In determining those administrations of Region 2 that may be affected, the proposed modification is examined with respect to the Region 2 Plan as it exists at the date of receipt of the request for modification including the proposed modifications received before that date (whether the procedure of Article 4 is complete or not). The examination consists of ensuring that the limits of § 2 of Annex 1 of Appendix **30** are not exceeded. Account is also taken of any time-limited modifications to the Plans in accordance with § 4.2.17.

2 According to Resolution **42 (Rev.WRC-19)**, the Board decided that, when applying this paragraph, the Bureau shall not take account of the interim systems.

3 For considerations related to application of the Group concept see Rules of Procedure related to § 4.1.1 *a)* and 4.1.1 *b)*.

4.2.3 d)

1 As indicated in the Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.1 *d)*, a modification to the Region 2 Plan should take account of terrestrial stations in all Regions.

⁴ In the absence of a clear indication of the precise frequency of each carrier within the assigned frequency band, the Bureau uses in its analysis the assigned frequency band (i.e. data item C.3 *a)* of Annex 2A of Appendix **4**) instead of the necessary bandwidth (i.e. data item C.7 *a)* of Annex 2A of Appendix **4**).

2 For terrestrial stations in all Regions, the limit for the power flux-density not to be exceeded by the proposed modification to the Region 2 Plan is specified in § 4 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30. The agreement of an administration is required when a power flux-density excess exists over some part of its territory, unless the necessary⁵ bandwidth of the examined assignment is completely within the necessary⁵ bandwidth(s) of one or more assignments⁶ of the potentially affected administration in the Region 2 Plan or in the Regions 1 and 3 Plan or List and the area of power flux-density excess is inside the service area(s) of those assignments. In the absence of a defined service area contour, the area on the surface of the Earth within the -3 dB contour shall be considered as the service area of those assignments in this examination.

3 The Bureau, in applying § 4 of Annex 1 shall, where applicable, compare the power flux-density values resulting from the proposed modification to the Region 2 Plan with those values in the Region 2 Plan. If it is not possible to do so, the Bureau should use the absolute limit expressed in § 4 of Annex 1 to that Appendix.

4.2.3 e)

1 This examination shall consider only those administrations having assignments to FSS space stations whose necessary⁵ bandwidth overlaps the necessary⁵ bandwidth of the proposed modification to the Region 2 Plan.

2 Under this paragraph, an assignment recorded in the Master Register shall be understood as defined in § 1 a), 1 b), 1 c) and 1 *cbis*) of Appendix 5.

3 In the case of inclusion of a new assignment to the Region 2 Plan, different from the frequency assignments in the Region 2 Plan at the time of entry into force of the Final Acts of the 1985 Conference, the limits prescribed in § 3 of Section 6 and in the second indent of Section 7 of Annex 1 shall be applied.

4 The Bureau, in applying Sections 6 and 7 of Annex 1 shall, where applicable, compare the power flux-density and $\Delta T/T$ values, respectively, resulting from the proposed modification to the Region 2 Plan with those values in the Region 2 Plan at the time of entry into force of the Final Acts of the 1985 Conference. If it is not possible to do so, the Bureau should use the absolute limit expressed in § 6 and 7 of Annex 1 to that Appendix.

⁵ In the absence of a clear indication of the precise frequency of each carrier within the assigned frequency band, the Bureau uses in its analysis the assigned frequency band (i.e. data item C.3 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4) instead of the necessary bandwidth (i.e. data item C.7 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4).

⁶ Assignments to satellite networks of international organizations should not be considered as being national assignments of administrations which notify them on behalf of international organizations.

4.2.3 f)

1 Until there is a Plan for Region 3 for the band 12.5-12.7 GHz, this examination shall consider only those administrations of Region 3 having broadcasting-satellite service assignments whose necessary⁷ bandwidth overlaps the necessary⁷ bandwidth of the proposed modification to the Region 2 Plan.

2 Under this paragraph, an assignment recorded in the Master Register shall be understood as defined in § 1 a), 1 b), 1 c) and 1 *cbis*) of Appendix 5.

4.2.6

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.3.

4.2.10

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.7.

4.2.11

The agreement referred to in § 4.2.11 is the agreement of the administrations identified under § 4.2.3 and of those under § 4.2.10 which have been confirmed by the Bureau using the appropriate criteria.

4.2.12

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.8.

4.2.15

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.11.

4.2.19

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.15.

⁷ In the absence of a clear indication of the precise frequency of each carrier within the assigned frequency band, the Bureau uses in its analysis the assigned frequency band (i.e. data item C.3 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4) instead of the necessary bandwidth (i.e. data item C.7 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4).

4.2.24

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.23.

Art. 5

Notification, examination and recording

5.2.1 b)

1 The Board has considered the question whether the examination with respect to conformity with the Plan⁸ means only the columns of Articles 10 and 11 of Appendix 30, as updated or whether it also includes an examination with respect to the technical criteria given in Annex 5 to Appendix 30 which were used for the establishment of the Plans. The Board concluded that some of the technical criteria contained in Annex 5 need to be taken into account in this examination. Therefore, the examination from the viewpoint of conformity with the Plan is carried out in two steps:

- a) to ensure that the characteristics notified are those specified in the columns of the Plan concerned as updated (see § 3.1 of Article 3). If the characteristics are different then the examination under § 5.2.1 d) is carried out. For the items below, any characteristics for which the procedure of Article 4 has been successfully applied could be notified;
- b) to ensure that the protection criteria resulting from the Region 2 Plan⁸, or from the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List, as appropriate, are not exceeded. To this effect, the following characteristics are examined:
 - beam identification (as indicated in Columns 1 and 2 of Articles 10 and 11, respectively of Appendix 30);
 - nominal orbital position (as indicated in Columns 2 and 3 of Articles 10 and 11, respectively of Appendix 30);
 - channel number/frequency (as indicated in Column 3 of Article 10 and in column 5 of the Table entitled “*Minimum equivalent protection margin of assignments in the Regions 1 and 3 Plan (sorted by orbital position)*” of Article 11 of Appendix 30);
 - boresight coordinates (as indicated in Column 4 of Articles 10 and 11 of Appendix 30);

⁸ Anytime the “Plan” is referred to, this means the current version of the Plan as updated on the date of the Bureau’s examination in the case of the Region 2 Plan, and, in the case of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan, the current version of the Plan as may be updated pursuant to the possible application of § 4.1.26 or 4.1.27 of Appendix 30.

- in the case of an elliptical beam:
 - antenna beamwidth (as indicated in Column 5 of Articles 10 and 11 of Appendix **30**),
 - ellipse orientation (as indicated in Columns 6 and 5 of Articles 10 and 11, respectively of Appendix **30**),
 - antenna rotational accuracy (same as or better than that of § 3.14 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);
- polarization (as indicated in Columns 7 and 10 of Articles 10 and 11, respectively of Appendix **30**);
- power plus co-polar antenna gain (as indicated in Columns 8 and 11 of Articles 10 and 11, respectively of Appendix **30**), and in the case of shaped beam the cross-polar antenna gain (as indicated in Column 8 of Article 11 of Appendix **30**);
- service area (test points shall be located within the service area);
- class of emission and bandwidth (as indicated in Column 12 of Article 11 of Appendix **30** in the case of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan, or otherwise as indicated in § 3.1 and 3.8 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);
- antenna characteristics (same as or better than those indicated in Columns 6 or 7 as appropriate of Article 11 of Appendix **30** in the case of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan, or otherwise same as or better than Fig. 9 or 10 as appropriate of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);
- antenna pointing accuracy (same as or better than that referred to in § 3.14 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);
- station keeping tolerance (same as or better than that mentioned in § 3.11 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);
- modulation characteristics (same as in Column 12 of Article 11 of Appendix **30** in the case of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan, or otherwise as indicated in § 3.1 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);
- energy dispersal (same as § 3.18 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);
- the power flux-density identified in Note 10 of the Region 2 Plan or in Note 5 of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan, to determine whether the limits are met or whether there is an agreement with the affected administrations.

2 The Board has considered the question whether the examination with respect to conformity with the Regions 1 and 3 List means only the columns of the Tables in Part I of Annex 2 to Resolution **542 (WRC-2000)***, as updated, or whether it also includes an examination with respect to the technical characteristics published by the Bureau for each network of the List in the corresponding Part B Special Section of the Weekly Circular or the IFIC. The Board concluded that all technical characteristics published in the Part B Special Section for a given network need to be taken into account in this examination. Therefore, the examination from the viewpoint of conformity with the List is carried out in two steps:

- a) to ensure that the characteristics notified are those specified in the columns of the List, as updated, and those specified in the Part B Special Section of a given network. If the characteristics are different then the examination under § 5.2.1 d) is carried out;
- b) to ensure that the protection criteria resulting from the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List are not exceeded. To this effect, the characteristics specified in the columns of the List, as updated, and those specified in the Part B Special Section of a given network are examined.

5.2.1 d)

1 If an administration notifies any assignment with characteristics different from those listed in the Rules of Procedure related to § 5.2.1 b) of Article 5 of Appendix **30**, and those allowed in § 5.2.1 d) of the same Article, a calculation is undertaken by the Bureau to determine if the proposed new characteristics would increase the interference level caused to other assignments in the appropriate Regional Plan, in the Regions 1 and 3 List, in the same service or in another service sharing the same frequency bands.

1.1 With respect to the compatibility of the proposed new characteristics with other assignments of the same Regional Plan and List, as appropriate, the increase of the interference will be checked by comparing the equivalent protection margin/overall equivalent protection margin values of these other assignments, which result from the use of the proposed new characteristics of the network in question on the one hand, and those obtained with the previous⁹ characteristics of the network in question, on the other hand. These equivalent protection margin/overall equivalent protection margin calculations are performed under the same technical assumptions and conditions, taking into account the orbital separation limit of $\pm 9^\circ$ for assignments in the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List. A more detailed analysis of the interference situation could also be required by using single entry *C/I* values in order to identify the assignments of the network in question which are causing the increase of the interference.

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-03.

⁹ As appearing in the appropriate Plan or List, according to the case.

In addition, in the case of Regions 1 and 3, the notified assignments with new characteristics for the network in question are examined with respect to their compliance with the power flux-density hard-limit defined in § 1 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30, or, as the case may be, with respect to their compliance with the power flux-density level of the corresponding assignments in the Plan or in the List if those assignments were adopted by WRC-2000 with power flux-density level(s) higher than the above-mentioned power flux-density hard-limit.

1.2 With respect to the compatibility with other inter-regional assignments in the same service or assignments in another service sharing the same frequency bands, as appropriate, the increase of the interference will be checked by calculating the power flux-density value, produced by the proposed new characteristics at any test-point or within the service area of the other assignments or by calculating the $\Delta T/T$ value in accordance with the method given in Case II of Appendix 8, and by comparing the resulting power flux-density or $\Delta T/T$ values, according to the case, with those obtained with the previous⁹ characteristics of the subject assignment.

1.3 Should the results of the calculations described in § 1.1 and 1.2 above indicate that the proposed new characteristics increase the interference to other assignments/services, the Bureau would reach an unfavourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 d) of Article 5 of Appendix 30 and proceed accordingly.

2 With respect to the fifth indent of § 5.2.1 d), in the case of administrations of Region 2 the orbital position shall be examined to ensure compliance with the cluster concept (§ B of Annex 7 to Appendix 30 and § 4.13.1 of Annex 3 to Appendix 30A) as follows:

- if the orbital position is identical with that shown in the Plan, no further agreements are necessary;
- however, if the orbital position is different from that contained in the Plan but it is in the same cluster, then only the agreement of administrations having assignments in the same cluster is necessary. The clusters are listed in the Attachment 1 to the present Rules of Procedure concerning Appendix 30. Appendices 30 and 30A do not contain any paragraph indicating the procedure to be followed for this agreement. The task of the Bureau in this respect is to ensure that the agreement of the administrations concerned is indicated in the notice; otherwise it considers the assignment to be not in conformity with the Plan.

3 See comments under No. 5.492.

5.2.2.1

This paragraph implicitly relates to the cases where the Bureau reaches a favourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 a) and § 5.2.1 c) and an unfavourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 b) but a favourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 d). In this event, the frequency assignment shall be recorded in the Master Register.

5.3.1

§§ 4.1.3*bis* and 4.2.6*bis* of Appendices **30** and **30A** specify the course of action that shall be taken regarding the submission or updating of the Resolution **49** information when the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use frequency assignments is extended due to launch failure.

However, when the Board decides to grant an extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use frequency assignments in cases of *force majeure* or co-passenger delay, this also raises the question of whether the deadline for the submission of Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and notification information should be extended.

Noting that a similar question related to non-planned services is addressed in the Rule of Procedure concerning Nos. **11.48** and **11.48.1**, the Board decided that the Rule of Procedure concerning Nos. **11.48** and **11.48.1** of the Radio Regulations shall also apply to the extension of bringing into use of frequency assignments subject to Appendices **30** and **30A** with the understanding that the regulatory period for bringing into use frequency assignments to a satellite network subject to these Appendices is eight years.

An. 1

**Limits for determining whether a service of an administration is affected
by proposed modifications to the Region 2 Plan or by proposed
new or modified assignments to the Regions 1 and 3 List**

1

a) Test points

1 In examining a proposed modification, all test points communicated to the Bureau by administrations are used. These test points are periodically published by the Bureau together with the updated reference situation of the Plan(s) and List(s).

b) Implementation of the power flux-density limit referred to in the first paragraph of Section 1 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30

The power flux-density limit of $-103.6 \text{ dB(W/(m}^2 \cdot 27 \text{ MHz))}$ which is indicated in the first paragraph of Section 1 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30 was established in order to protect BSS assignments from interference that may be caused by BSS networks located outside an arc of $\pm 9^\circ$ around a wanted BSS network, under worst-case station-keeping conditions. Therefore, this power flux-density limit was intended to be considered as a hard-limit that shall not be exceeded.

c) Implementation of the power flux-density masks and equivalent protection margin criterion referred to in sub-paragraphs a) and b) of Section 1 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30

1 In accordance with sub-paragraphs *a)* and *b)* of Section 1 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30, an administration, which has assignment(s) in the Plan, in the List or assignment(s) for which the procedure of Article 4 of Appendix 30 has already been initiated, is considered as affected by a proposed new or modified assignment in the List if all the following conditions are met:

- the orbital spacing between both assignments is less than 9° , under worst-case station-keeping conditions; and

- there is a frequency overlap between the bandwidths assigned to each assignment; and
- under assumed free-space propagation conditions, the power flux-density value derived from the appropriate power flux-density mask given in § a) of Section 1 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30 is exceeded at least at one of the test-points¹⁰ of the wanted assignment; and
- the reference equivalent protection margin of at least one of the test-points¹⁰ of that wanted assignment falls more than 0.45 dB below 0 dB, or if already negative, more than 0.45 dB below that reference equivalent protection margin value.

d) *Reference protection margin*¹¹

1 The reference equivalent protection margin values of:

- the assignments in the downlink or feeder-link Plans;
- the assignments in the downlink or feeder-link Lists;
- the assignments for which the procedure of Article 4 of Appendices 30 or 30A has been initiated,

include the potential interference effects of the other assignments of the corresponding Plan and List, as established at WRC-2000, and those of the other assignments entered in the corresponding List after a successful application of the Article 4 procedure.

2 The reference equivalent protection margin used as the basis for comparing the effect of a proposed new or modified assignment is that periodically published by the Bureau and updated once a new or modified assignment is entered in the corresponding List after a successful application of the Article 4 procedure.

¹⁰ In the case of a wanted assignment in the Plan, the test-points referred to in this paragraph are those defined in that Plan. In the case of a wanted assignment in the List or for which the procedure of Article 4 of Appendices 30/30A has already been initiated, the test-points referred to in this paragraph are those provided under former Annex 2 to Appendices 30/30A or under Appendix 4.

¹¹ An analysis carried out by the Bureau has shown that the sensitivity to interference, in terms of being identified as affected, by networks received by the Bureau under Article 4 of Appendices 30 and 30A, caused by subsequent proposed modifications to the Plan, decreases when those networks have a very low equivalent protection margin. In those cases where, because of the above phenomenon they are not identified as affected (the equivalent protection margin reduces by at least 0.45 dB) it is up to the administrations concerned to take necessary action, as appropriate.

An. 4

Need for coordination of a transmitting space station in the fixed-satellite service or in the broadcasting-satellite service where this service is not subject to a Plan: in Region 2 (11.7-12.2 GHz) with respect to the Plan, the List or proposed new or modified assignments in the List for Regions 1 and 3; in Region 1 (12.5-12.7 GHz) and in Region 3 (12.2-12.7 GHz) with respect to the Plan or proposed modifications to the Plan in Region 2; in Region 3 (12.2-12.5 GHz) with respect to the Plan, List or proposed new or modified assignments in the List for Region 1

(See Article 7)

Clarification on the implementation of Annex 4 to Appendix 30

1 The examination will consider only those administrations having assignments to BSS space stations subject to a Plan whose necessary¹² bandwidth overlaps the necessary¹² bandwidth of the proposed FSS (or BSS not subject to a Plan) assignment.

2 In the absence of available service area contour of the BSS assignment, the methodology described in Annex 4 to Appendix 30 will be applied but instead of verifying the power flux-density compliance over any portion of the service area, it will be verified at each of the BSS test-points associated with the service area of the corresponding BSS assignment.

¹² In the absence of a clear indication of the precise frequency of each carrier within the assigned frequency band, the Bureau uses in its analysis the assigned frequency band (i.e. data item C.3 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4) instead of the necessary bandwidth (i.e. data item C.7 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4).

An. 5

**Technical data used in establishing the provisions and associated Plans
and the Regions 1 and 3 List, which should be used
for their application**

3.5.1 and 3.8

These sections govern the channel spacing between the assigned frequencies of two adjacent channels and the necessary bandwidth values for systems in the Plans for Regions 1, 2 and 3. They also state that *“if different bandwidths and/or channel spacing are submitted, they will be treated in accordance with applicable ITU-R Recommendations for protection masks when available. In the absence of such Recommendations, the Bureau will use the worst-case approach.”*

Noting that Recommendation ITU-R BO.1293-2 provides a method for calculation of interference only between assignments using different channelling and bandwidth in the case of a digital interferer, the Board therefore decided that, as an interim measure, until the applicable ITU-R Recommendations for protection masks/calculation method are available the calculation methods shown in the Table 1 shall be applied when calculating interference between two assignments in the Plans and/or modifications to Plans.

TABLE 1

Wanted assignment	Interfering assignment	Method to be applied
“Standard” ¹ analogue	“Standard” analogue	As defined in Annex 5 to Appendix 30
“Non-standard” analogue	“Standard” analogue	As described in the Bureau’s MSPACE Manual
“Standard” analogue	“Non-standard” analogue	As described in the Bureau’s MSPACE Manual
“Non-standard” analogue	“Non-standard” analogue	As described in the Bureau’s MSPACE Manual
Digital	“Standard” or “non-standard” analogue	As described in the Bureau’s MSPACE Manual
“Standard” or “non-standard” analogue	Digital	As defined in Recommendation ITU-R BO.1293-2 ²
Digital	Digital	As defined in Recommendation ITU-R BO.1293-2 ²

¹ The standard analogue assignments mentioned in the Table 1 above are those assignments in the Region 2 Plan with 24 MHz bandwidth, 14.58 MHz channel spacing and the assigned frequencies as specified in Article 10 of Appendix 30.

² Recommendation ITU-R BO.1293-2 (Annexes 1 and 2) is applied which is referred to in § 3.4 of Annex 5 to Appendix 30 and § 3.3 of Annex 3 to Appendix 30A.

3.11

Section 3.11 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30** describes the space station keeping accuracy under which the space stations operating in the broadcasting-satellite service must be maintained.

In the absence of applicable ITU-R Recommendations describing how these limitations should be implemented in the compatibility analyses performed by the Bureau, the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) decided that the Bureau should develop the appropriate methodology for the application of this section.

ATTACHMENT 1

Clusters for Region 2

Column No.	Designation
1	Cluster (degrees)
2	Number of beams in the cluster
3	Administration names and orbital position

CLUSTERS FOR REGION 2

		3						
1	2							
-175.00	8	ALS00003 -175.2	HWA01003 -175.2	USAPSA03 -175.2	ALS00003 -174.8	HWA00003 -174.8	USAPSA03 -174.8	HWA01003 -174.8
-166.00	8	ALS00002 -166.2	HWA01002 -166.2	USAPSA02 -166.2	ALS00002 -165.8	HWA00002 -165.8	USAPSA02 -165.8	HWA01002 -165.8
-157.00	2	USAWH102 -157.2	USAWH102 -156.8					
-148.00	2	USAWH101 -148.2	USAWH101 -147.8					
-138.00	8	CAN01101 -138.2	CAN01201 -138.2	CAN02201 -138.2	CAN01101 -137.8	CAN01201 -137.8	CAN02101 -137.8	CAN02201 -137.8
-136.00	2	MEX02NTE -136.2	MEX02NTE -135.8					
-131.00	1	CTR00201 -130.8						
-129.00	12	CAN01203 -129.2	CAN01303 -129.2	CAN02203 -129.2	CAN02303 -129.2	CAN02403 -129.2	CAN01203 -128.8	CAN01303 -128.8
-127.00	2	CAN01403 -128.8	CAN02203 -128.8	CAN02403 -128.8				
-121.00	1	MEX02SUR -127.2	MEX02SUR -126.8					
-119.00	2	PNRIFRB2 -121.0						
-116.00	3	USAEH004 -119.2	USAEH004 -118.8					
-115.00	6	BLZ00001 -115.8	CYM00001 -115.8	TCA00001 -115.8				
-110.00	4	BOLAND01 -115.2	CLMAND01 -115.2	EQACAND1 -115.2	PRUAND02 -115.2	VENAND03 -115.2		
-107.50	4	PTRVIR02 -110.02	USAEH003 -110.2	PTRVIR02 -109.8	EQAGAND1 -115.2	USAEH003 -109.8		
-106.00	5	GTMIFRB2 -107.3	HNDIFRB2 -107.3	NGC00003 -107.3	SLVIFRB2 -107.3			
-104.00	2	CHLCONT5 -106.2	CHLPAC02 -106.2	PAQPAC01 -106.2	CHLCONT4 -105.8	CHLCONT6 -105.8		
		VEN02VEN -103.8	VEN11VEN -103.8					

CLUSTERS FOR REGION 2 (continued)

		3		
1	2			
-103.00	1	CLM00001 -103.2		
-102.00	1	B SE911 -101.8		
-101.00	4	PTRVIR01 -101.2	USAEH002 -100.8	
-99.00	1	PRG00002 -99.2		
-96.00	1	BERBERMU -96.2		
-95.00	2	EQAC0001 -94.8		
-94.00	3	ARGINSU4 -94.2	ARGNORT4 -93.8	
-92.50	7	BRB00001 -92.7	JMC00002 -92.7	CRBBER01 -92.3
-91.00	12	CAN01304 -91.2	CAN01404 -91.2	CRBBLZ01 -92.3
-89.00	1	CAN01504 -90.8	CAN02304 -90.8	CRBEC001 -92.3
-87.00	2	CUB00001 -89.2	CAN01504 -91.2	CAN01304 -90.8
-86.00	1	BAHIFRB1 -87.2	CAN02404 -90.8	CAN02504 -91.2
-84.50	3	PRU00004 -85.8	BOL00001 -87.2	CRBIMC01 -92.3
-83.50	2	GUY00201 -84.7	SURINAM2 -84.7	CAN01304 -90.8
-82.00	12	DOMIFRB2 -83.3	HTI00002 -83.3	CRBBLZ01 -92.3
-81.00	4	CAN01405 -82.2	CAN01505 -82.2	CRBEC001 -92.3
		CAN01605 -81.8	CAN02405 -81.8	CAN02504 -91.2
		B SU111 -81.2	B SU211 -80.8	CAN01405 -81.8
				CAN01404 -90.8
				CAN02605 -82.2
				CAN01505 -81.8
				CAN02605 -81.8
				B SU211 -80.8
				CAN01405 -81.8
				CAN02605 -82.2
				CAN01505 -81.8

Annex 7

Note: WRC-19 took the decision related to the application of revised Annex 7 to RR Appendix 30 and associated Resolutions, during the 7th Plenary, see items 4.1 to 4.4 of Doc. CMR19/568, approval of Doc. CMR19/303, as follows:

“Instructions to the Radiocommunication Bureau in application of revised Annex 7 to RR Appendix 30 and associated Resolutions

1 *Application of the revised orbital limitations applicable to broadcasting satellites serving an area in Region 1 and using a frequency in the band 11.7-12.2 GHz*

When, under Article 4 of RR Appendix 30, an administration of Regions 1 and 3 submits to the Bureau a new satellite network with frequency assignments in the band 11.7-12.2 GHz, serving an area in Region 1 from the West and occupying a nominal orbital position further west than 37.2° W, the frequency assignments of this satellite network shall be deemed receivable only if a portion of land located in the western part of Region 1 as determined by the relevant software application of the Radiocommunication Bureau (excluding any territory with special status (e.g. Antarctica)) is visible from the nominal orbital position of that satellite network (i.e. the elevation angle is greater than 5 degrees). Otherwise the Bureau shall return those assignments to the notifying administration.

2 *Application of the revised orbital limitations applicable to broadcasting satellites serving an area in Region 2 and using a frequency in the band 12.2-12.7 GHz*

When, under Article 4 of RR Appendix 30, an administration of Region 2 submits to the Bureau a new satellite network with frequency assignments in the band 12.2-12.5 GHz (resp. 12.5-12.7 GHz), serving an area in Region 2 from the East and occupying a nominal orbital position further east than 44° W (resp. 54° W), the frequency assignments of this satellite network shall be deemed receivable only if a portion of land located in the eastern part of Region 2 as determined by the relevant software application of the Radiocommunication Bureau (excluding any territory with special status (e.g. Antarctica)) is visible from the nominal orbital position of that satellite network (i.e. the elevation angle is greater than 5 degrees). Otherwise the Bureau shall return those assignments to the notifying administration.

3 *Application of Resolution COM5/2 (WRC-19)*

Resolves 2 of Resolution COM5/2 (WRC-19) indicates that identification of frequency assignments of certain networks associated to 40-cm and 45-cm earth station antenna diameters are based only on EPM and a minimum orbital spacing less than 9 degrees. This resolves only applies in the frequency band 11.7-12.2 GHz. The HISPASAT-37A satellite network included in Annex 1 of this Resolution contains frequency assignments, which partially overlap with the frequency band 11.7-12.2 GHz. For the protection of such assignments from non-planned satellite networks, the criteria contained in Resolution COM5/4 (WRC-19) shall be applied however, for the protection of these assignments from new submissions under Article 4 that are subject to Resolution COM5/2 (WRC-19), the criteria contained in resolves 2 of this Resolution shall be used.

4 **Application of new Resolution COM5/3 (WRC-19)**

a) Resolves 2 on the date of receipt of submissions

Submissions referred to in resolves 2 shall have a common date of receipt of 21 May 2020. The formal date of receipt and the date of protection shall be 21 May 2020 if the submissions are complete. If the submissions are incomplete and a reply to the Bureau's telefax seeking for missing information is received on or before 21 May 2020, the formal date of receipt and the date of protection shall be 21 May 2020. If the reply to the Bureau's telefax is received after 21 May 2020, the date of protection shall be the same as the formal date of receipt established in accordance with the Rule of Procedure on the receivability of the notice. The established date of protection shall be used for the Bureau's examination under relevant provisions of RR Appendices 30 and 30A. For submissions with the same formal date of receipt, the Bureau shall mutually take them into account in its technical and regulatory examination.

b) Resolves 3 on the date of receipt of submissions

Submissions referred to in resolves 3 (i.e. submissions under § 4.1.3 of RR Appendix 30 in the frequency bands 11.7-12.5 GHz and feeder-links assignments in the frequency bands 14.5-14.8 GHz and 17.3-18.1 GHz of RR Appendix 30A) at an orbital position of orbital arcs for which the limitations of Annex 7 to RR Appendix 30 (Rev.WRC-15) were suppressed by WRC-19 and not meeting the specified requirements in § 1 of the Attachment to that Resolution, shall have a common date of receipt of 22 May 2020. For those submissions, the date of protection shall be the same as the formal date of receipt established in accordance with the Rule of Procedure on the receivability of the notice. The established date of protection shall be used for the Bureau's examination under relevant provisions of RR Appendices 30 and 30A. For submissions with the same formal date of receipt, the Bureau shall mutually take them into account in its technical and regulatory examination.

c) Submissions under § 4.1.12 of RR Appendix 30/30A of the satellite networks applying that Resolution

During the frequency coordination, the notifying Administration may change the beam from elliptical to shaped. Therefore, the Bureau shall accept submissions of satellite networks applying that Resolution and containing a shaped beam under § 4.1.12 of RR Appendices 30 and 30A, if the characteristics of the submission under § 4.1.12 are within the envelope of the characteristics of submission under § 4.1.3.

5 ***Calculation of the minimum geocentric orbital separation referred to in resolves 1 and 2 of Resolution COM5/4 (WRC-19)***

When calculating the minimum geocentric orbital separation between the wanted and interfering space stations, the Bureau shall take into account the East-West station-keeping accuracies of the FSS and BSS space stations so that the two space stations are the closest.

6 *In relation with the specific case of the Administration of South Sudan, which currently does not have any frequency assignments in the Plans of RR Appendices 30 and 30A, WRC-19 decided that the Administration of South Sudan may apply Resolution COM5/3 (WRC-19) and instructed the Radiocommunication Bureau to accept such submission from the administration of South Sudan. ”**

** Note by the Secretariat: The definitive numbers of Resolutions COM5/2 (WRC-19), COM5/3 (WRC-19) and COM5/4 (WRC-19) are Resolutions 558 (WRC-19), 559 (WRC-19) and 768 (WRC-19), respectively.*

Rules concerning

APPENDIX 30A to the RR

(Rules are arranged by paragraph numbers of Appendix 30A)

Art. 2A

Use of the guardbands

Art. 4

Procedures for modifications to the Region 2 feeder-link Plan or for additional uses in Regions 1 and 3*

4.1.1 a) and 4.1.1 b)

1 In determining those administrations of Regions 1 and 3 that may be affected, the proposed new or modified assignment to the List is examined with respect to the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List as they exist at the date of receipt of the proposed new or modified assignment to the List, including the other proposed new or modified assignments to the List received before that date (whether the procedure of Article 4 is complete or not). The examination consists of ensuring that the limits of § 4 of Annex 1 of Appendix 30A are not exceeded. Account is also taken of any time-limited new or modified assignments to the List in accordance with § 4.1.13.

2 Following the introduction by the 1983 Conference of the grouping concept for Region 2 (Articles 9 and 10 of Appendices S30A and S30 respectively) and further to the decision of WARC Orb-88 to apply the grouping concept to the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Plan (Article 9A of Appendix S30A), the ex-IFRB decided to extend this concept to the 1977 Conference BSS Plan. WRC-2000 endorsed this decision and decided to include the same grouping concept definition in Articles 11 and 9A of Appendices 30 and 30A respectively.

* **Note:** WRC-23 took the following decision on implementation of modifications to Appendix 30A and Appendix 30B in relation to Topic 7F, see item 15.1 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):
“WRC-23 instructs the Bureau, when receiving a request for assistance from the notifying administrations of national or regional systems in relation to frequency coordination with affected administrations:

- to assist in preparation of necessary material including but not limited to C/I calculations, interference analysis and link budget calculations;
- to participate in such coordination meetings in order to provide support and facilitate technical discussions/negotiations.”

3 The Board's understanding of the group concept is that in the interference calculation to assignments that are part of the group, only the interference contribution from assignments that are not part of the same group are to be considered. On the other hand, for the interference calculation from assignments belonging to a group into assignments that are not part of the same group, only the worst interference contribution from that group is to be taken into consideration.

4 According to *resolves* 5 of Resolution **548 (Rev.WRC-12)**, in the processing of Regions 1 and 3 Article 4 submissions received after 2 June 2000 for identification of affected administrations, each network in a group shall be examined separately without taking into account the interference contribution from the other networks in the group. This means that the concept of calculating the worst interference contribution from the assignments that are part of a group to assignments that are not part of the same group, as indicated in Article 9A (column 15) of Appendix **30A**, is not applicable to the grouped networks for the identification of affected administrations in accordance with § 4.1.5 of that Appendix. In applying § 4.1.11, the application of this method to networks received before 3 June 2000 shall not result in additional coordination requirements for those networks.

5 In order to implement this separate examination and calculate the interference effect of an Article 4 network under examination independent of the other networks in the group in accordance with *resolves* 5 of Resolution **548 (Rev.WRC-12)**, the Board concluded that the following method should be used.

Identification of affected administrations should be carried out without taking into account the interference contribution from the Plan and the List assignments grouped with assignments of an Article 4 network under examination based on the reference situation established without taking into account the interference contribution from those grouped assignments.

6 For the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Plans and Lists, in accordance with *resolves* 1 of Resolution **548 (Rev.WRC-12)** and the decision of the Plenary of WRC-03, the Board concluded that grouping of networks separated by more than 0.4° in the geostationary arc is not permitted in the List except for application of § 4.1.27. However, grouping of networks separated by more than 0.4° may be used before the inclusion of the assignments in the List to modify the orbital position of a network.

For the Region 2 Plan, with respect to § 4.2.2 *c*), the Board did not find any regulatory basis to extend the use of groupings involving multiple orbital positions (except for the case of 0.4° orbital separation which was allowed for clusters within the Region 2 Plan and its subsequent modifications).

In case of a request for replacement of an assignment/entry of an administration in the Region 2 Plan, the implementation of § 2.2 of the Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.6 of Appendix **30A** requires the processing of the modified assignment requested by that administration under Article 4 of that Appendix based on the following conditions:

- no interference effect from the initial assignment of the requesting administration is considered in the overall equivalent protection margin calculations of the modified assignment requested by that administration, and vice versa; and

- no aggregate interference effect from the subject initial assignment and the modified assignment of the requesting administration is considered in the overall equivalent protection margin calculations of other assignments, but only the worst interference effect from the two is to be considered.

The above-mentioned conditions apply only during the time-period afforded for the processing of the modified assignments under Article 4 of that Appendix. After that time-period, either the subject initial assignment or the modified assignment of the requesting administration will remain in the Plan, depending on the successful application or otherwise of the Article 4 procedure for this modified assignment.

4.1.1 c)

In determining those administrations of Region 2 that may be affected, the proposed new or modified assignment to the 17 GHz Regions 1 and 3 List is examined with respect to the Region 2 Plan as it exists at the date of receipt of the proposed new or modified assignment including the proposed modifications of the Region 2 Plan received before that date (whether the procedure of Article 4 is complete or not). The examination will consider only those administrations having assignments whose necessary¹ bandwidth overlaps the necessary¹ bandwidth of the proposed new or modified assignment to the 17 GHz Regions 1 and 3 List. The Region 2 administration is identified as having services which are considered to be affected when the limits specified in § 5 of Annex 1 to Appendix **30A** are exceeded.

4.1.3

1 In the event that the Bureau cancels a frequency assignment in application of § 5.3.2 of Article 5 of this Appendix, the corresponding assignment, which has been submitted either under § 4.2.6 (except in the case of a request for replacement of an assignment in the Region 2 Plan) and entered in the Region 2 Plan, or under § 4.1.3 and entered in the Regions 1 and 3 List, shall also be removed from the Plan or the List according to the case. The Bureau does not need to recalculate the affected administration(s) as a result of the above-mentioned cancellation.

2 See also Rules of Procedure concerning Receivability of the Forms of Notice.

4.1.7

Any request by an administration to be included in the list of administrations to be published shall be based only on technical reasons to be verified using Annex 1 as well as other relevant Annexes. If this indicates that the requesting administration should have been included in the list, the Bureau will include it; otherwise the requesting administration will be informed that its name will not be published, it being left to the notifying administration to consider if it is appropriate to take the request into account.

¹ In the absence of a clear indication of the precise frequency of each carrier within the assigned frequency band, the Bureau uses in its analysis the assigned frequency band (i.e. data item C.3 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4) instead of the necessary bandwidth (i.e. data item C.7 a) of Annex 2A of Appendix 4).

4.1.7bis

The agreement referred to in § 4.1.7bis is the agreement of the administrations identified under § 4.1.1 and of those under § 4.1.7 which have been confirmed by the Bureau using the appropriate criteria.

4.1.8

An administration which has only requested additional information in accordance with § 4.1.8 or § 4.2.12 will not be considered by the Bureau to have submitted comments in accordance with § 4.1.10 or § 4.2.14 respectively.

4.1.10c

See the Rules of Procedure concerning § 4.1.10c of Article 4 of Appendix 30.

4.1.11

See also comments under § 4.1.3 and 4.2.6 and Rules of Procedure relating to the Receivability of the Forms of Notice.

Note: WRC-15 took the decision related to the RoP on paragraph 4.1.11 of RR Appendices 30 and 30A during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CMR15/505, approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to Section 3.2.6.4 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), as follows:

“In Section 3.2.6.2 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), the Director described the current practice of the Bureau in examining Part B submissions received under § 4.1.12 of Appendices 30 and 30A:

The Bureau identifies a list of administrations whose assignments are considered as being affected and receiving more interference as a result of the modification than that produced by the initial proposal in accordance with § 4.1.11. The Bureau then requests the notifying administration to modify the submitted characteristics in order to eliminate the above-mentioned identification or to apply again the provisions of § 4.1 of Appendices 30 and 30A.

In reply to the Bureau’s request, some administrations have provided the Bureau with the agreement of the administration identified under § 4.1.11.

As the agreement to accept more interference has been provided and § 4.1.11 does not explicitly prevent this possibility, the Bureau has not rejected such agreements.

WRC-15 endorsed the current BR practice outlined in this section.”

4.1.15

The second part of these paragraphs applies only to those assignments for which the procedure of Article 4 has been successfully applied, i.e., all administrations identified by the Bureau in application of § 4.1.5 or 4.2.8 and § 4.1.7 or 4.2.10 have either given their agreement or failed to comment on the proposed new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link List(s) or on the proposed modification to the Region 2 Plan.

The Bureau shall update the reference situation of the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Plan(s) and List(s) or of the Region 2 Plan entries and of those networks which are the subject of requests for new or modified assignment to the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link List(s) or for Region 2 Plan modifications which are still at the stage of application of Article 4. Nevertheless, the Bureau does not need to recalculate the affected administration(s) as a result of the above-mentioned update.

4.1.23

If the assignments in question were deleted from the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link List(s) or the Region 2 Plan, the Bureau shall update the reference situation of the assignments in the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Plan(s) and List(s) or in the Region 2 Plan and of the assignments under Article 4 procedure and inform all administrations of the action taken together with Special Sections published as a result of cancellation of frequency assignments from the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link List(s) or the Region 2 Plan. The Bureau does not need to recalculate the affected administration(s) as a result of the above-mentioned cancellation.

4.1.31

The Board understands that this provision applies only to a satellite network identified under § 4.1.1 *b*) of Article 4 of Appendix **30A**. Such a satellite network shall have been entered in the List, notified, and brought into use by the time the Bureau receives a request for assistance under § 4.1.31.

Upon receipt of a request for assistance from either the notifying administration applying § 4.1.30 or an administration identified under § 4.1.1 *b*) of Appendix **30A**, the Board decided that the Bureau shall request the notifying administration of the satellite networks which are identified as affected to provide their actual operational parameters within 30 days. If there is no reply within the 30 days, the Bureau shall send a reminder giving an additional 15-day period to reply.

Upon receipt of the requested operational parameters, the Bureau shall perform the compatibility analysis using those parameters instead of the corresponding parameters of the affected satellite network in the List. The compatibility analysis shall be performed on the same principles as those used in the examination under § 4.1.1 *b*) or in application of footnote *9bis* to § 4.1.12, as applicable, and the latest available Appendix **30/30A** master database.^{1bis} The Bureau shall inform both the notifying administration having requested the application of § 4.1.30 and the notifying administration of the affected satellite network of the results of its compatibility analysis.

^{1bis} The administrations concerned may request the Bureau to use a different master database.

The notifying administration of the affected satellite network should also be invited to make modifications to the characteristics of the frequency assignments recorded in the Master Register in order to align them with their actual operational parameters.

If there is still no reply within 15 days following the reminder, the Board concluded that the Bureau shall inform the administrations concerned that it is not in a position to perform the compatibility analysis under § 4.1.31.

4.1.32

1 This provision indicates to the Bureau how to generate the satellite antenna gain diagram for an affected frequency assignment in the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link List when examining a submission under § 4.1.30. The first step to generate the diagram is to create the -10 dB contour of minimum ellipses for all territories inside each service area of the satellite network(s) identified under § 4.1.1b) of Appendix **30A**. A question arises as to which space station antenna pattern shall be used in application of § 4.1.32. The Board instructed the Bureau to use the Appendix **30A** reference receiving space station antenna pattern for Regions 1 and 3 without fast roll-off for creating the minimum ellipse covering a territory and the -10 dB contour of each individual minimum ellipse. The pattern corresponds to the pattern code APSRR_403V01 in the Antenna Pattern Library maintained by the Bureau.

2 To ensure that there are enough test points to generate each minimum ellipse, the individual set of test points per national territory should be those contained in the corresponding feeder-link Plan assignment plus the originally submitted test points associated with the service area and located inside that territory. If the total number of test points for any territory in a service area is less than 20, the Bureau shall consult the notifying administration of the identified satellite network to find out whether it wishes to add more test points in that territory.

3 In creating the minimum ellipses, the Board decided that a rotation accuracy of 1.0° and a pointing error of 0.1° should be taken into account.

4 The test points taken from national assignments in the feeder-link Plan or added during the application of § 4.1.32 are only for the purpose of generating the minimum ellipses and the combined ellipses and will not be used in technical examinations.

4.1.33

The Board understands that the “latter assignment” mentioned in this provision refers to a frequency assignment identified as potentially affected when examining the submission subject to § 4.1.30.

With respect to the condition for not updating the reference situation of a frequency assignment which is still identified as affected, it is not clear if “based on its submitted feeder-link coverage area” refers to the originally submitted coverage area (i.e. the one in the List) or to the coverage area that was submitted as an “actual operational parameter” in application of § 4.1.31. In addition, the provision does not give clear instruction on whether the reference situation of the “still affected” satellite network should be updated when the administrations concerned reach agreement under § 4.1.30*bis*.

The Board thus instructed the Bureau, when a frequency assignment subject to § 4.1.30 is entered in the List, to consult both the notifying administration having requested the application of § 4.1.30 and the notifying administration of the affected satellite network and not to update the reference situation of the frequency assignments which are still identified as affected, based on the originally submitted coverage area, unless both parties agree to update the reference situation.

4.2.1 a)

This paragraph refers to the modification in the sense of a change to “*the characteristics of any of its frequency assignments in the FSS which are shown in the Region 2 feeder-link Plan*”. The Plan as it appears in Article 9 contains only eight characteristics, while Annex 2 contains a greater number of characteristics which were used by the RARC-SAT-R2 (Geneva, 1983) Conference to establish the Plan. The Board considers that modifications of characteristics other than those listed in Article 9 may be considered as modifications to the Plan. These other characteristics are listed in the Rules of Procedure relating to § 5.2.1 *b)* of Article 5.

See also Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.6.

4.2.1 b)

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.1 *a)* above.

See also Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.2.6.

4.2.1 c)

When an administration cancels an assignment from the Region 2 Plan under this paragraph, or when the Bureau, in applying § 4.2.6 deletes an assignment from the Plan, the reference situation of the Plan assignments and those in the process of modification would be updated. The Bureau does not need to recalculate the affected administration(s) as a result of the above-mentioned cancellation.

**4.2.2 a)
and 4.2.2 b)**

In determining the administrations of Regions 1 and 3 that might be affected, the proposed modification of the Region 2 Plan is examined with respect to the 17 GHz Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List as it exists at the date of receipt of the proposed modification including all proposed new or modified assignments to the 17 GHz Regions 1 and 3 List received before that date (whether the procedure of Article 4 is complete or not). The examination will identify only those administrations having assignments whose necessary² bandwidth overlaps the necessary² bandwidth of the proposed modification of the Region 2 Plan. An administration is identified as having services which may be affected when the limits specified in § 5 of Annex 1 to Appendix **30A** are exceeded.

4.2.2 c)

1 In determining those administrations of Region 2 that may be affected, the proposed modification is examined with respect to the Region 2 Plan as it exists at the date of receipt of the request for modification including the proposed modifications received before that date (whether the procedure of Article 4 is complete or not). The examination consists of ensuring that the limits of § 3 of Annex 1 of Appendix **30A** are not exceeded. Account is also taken of any time-limited modifications to the Plans in accordance with § 4.2.17.

2 According to Resolution **42 (Rev.WRC-19)**, the Board decided that, when applying this paragraph, the Bureau shall not take account of the interim systems.

3 For considerations related to application of the Group concept see Rules of Procedure related to § 4.1.1 *a)* and 4.1.1 *b)*.

4.2.6

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.3.

4.2.10

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.7.

² In the absence of a clear indication of the precise frequency of each carrier within the assigned frequency band, the Bureau uses in its analysis the assigned frequency band (i.e. data item C.3 *a)* of Annex 2A of Appendix **4**) instead of the necessary bandwidth (i.e. data item C.7 *a)* of Annex 2A of Appendix **4**).

4.2.11

The agreement of the administrations identified under § 4.2.2 and of those under § 4.2.10 which have been confirmed by the Bureau using the appropriate criteria.

4.2.12

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.8.

4.2.15

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.11.

4.2.19

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.15.

4.2.24

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 4.1.23.

Art. 5

Notification, examination and recording

5.2.1 b)

1 The Board has considered the question whether the examination with respect to conformity with the Plan³ means only the columns of Articles 9 and 9A of Appendix **30A**, as updated or whether it also includes an examination with respect to the technical criteria given in Annex 3 to Appendix **30A** which were used for the establishment of the Plans. The Board concluded that some of the technical criteria contained in Annex 3 need to be taken into account in this examination. Therefore, the examination from the viewpoint of conformity with the Plan is carried out in two steps:

- a) to ensure that the characteristics notified are those specified in the columns of the Plan concerned as updated (see § 3.1 of Article 3). If the characteristics are different then the examination under § 5.2.1 d) is carried out. For the items below, any characteristics for which the procedure of Article 4 has been successfully applied could be notified;

³ Anytime the “Plan” is referred to, this means the current version of the Plan as updated on the date of the Bureau's examination in the case of the Region 2 Plan, and, in the case of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan(s), the current version of the Plan(s) as may be updated pursuant to the possible application of § 4.1.26 or 4.1.27 of Article 4 of Appendix **30A**.

b) to ensure that the protection criteria resulting from the Region 2 Plan³, or from the Regions 1 and 3 Plan(s) and List(s), as appropriate, are not exceeded. To this effect, the following characteristics of the satellite network are examined:

i) For a receiving space station:

- space station beam identification (as indicated in Columns 1 and 2 of Articles 9 and 9A, respectively of Appendix **30A**);
- nominal orbital position (as indicated in Columns 2 and 3 of Articles 9 and 9A, respectively of Appendix **30A**);
- channel number/frequency (as indicated in Column 3 of Article 9 and in Column 5 of the Tables entitled “*Minimum equivalent protection margin in the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Plan in the frequency band 14.5-14.8 GHz (sorted by orbital position)*” and “*Minimum equivalent protection margin in the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Plan in the frequency band 17.3-18.1 GHz (sorted by orbital position)*” of Article 9A of Appendix **30A**);
- boresight coordinates (as indicated in Column 4 of Articles 9 and 9A of Appendix **30A**);
- in the case of elliptical beam:
 - antenna beamwidth (as indicated in Column 5 of Articles 9 and 9A of Appendix **30A**);
 - ellipse orientation (as indicated in Columns 6 and 5 of Articles 9 and 9A, respectively of Appendix **30A**);
 - antenna rotational accuracy (same as or better than § 3.7.4 (Regions 1 and 3) or 4.6.4 (Region 2) of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A**);
- polarization (as indicated in Columns 7 and 10 of Articles 9 and 9A, respectively of Appendix **30A**);
- service area (test points shall be located within the service area);
- class of emission and bandwidth (as indicated in Column 13 of Article 9A in the case of Regions 1 and 3 Plan of Appendix **30A**, or otherwise as indicated in § 3.1 and 3.8 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);

- antenna characteristics (same as or better than those indicated in Columns 6 or 7 as appropriate of Article 9A of Appendix **30A** in the case of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan, or otherwise same as or better than § 4.6 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A**);
 - antenna pointing accuracy (same as or better than § 3.7.4 (Regions 1 and 3) or § 4.6.4 (Region 2) of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A**);
 - system noise temperature (see Note 7 of Article 9A and § 3.8 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A** as appropriate for Regions 1 and 3, and § 4.7 of the same Annex for Region 2);
 - station keeping tolerance (same as or better than that of § 3.16 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A**);
 - modulation characteristics (same as in Column 13 of Article 9A of Appendix **30A** in the case of the Regions 1 and 3 Plan, or otherwise as indicated in § 3.1 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**);
 - range of automatic gain control (same as § 3.10 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A** for Regions 1 and 3, and § 4.9 of the same Annex for Region 2).
- ii) For an associated transmitting earth station:
- e.i.r.p.: Columns 8 and 11 of Articles 9 and 9A, respectively of Appendix **30A**;
 - antenna diameter: § 3.5.1 or 4.4.1 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A**;
 - reference patterns: Fig. 6 or Fig. A of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A** (as indicated in Column 9 of Article 9A of Appendix **30A** for the Regions 1 and 3 Plan);
 - transmit power: § 3.6 or 4.5 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A**;
 - the location of the associated earth station to be associated with test points within the service area;
 - energy dispersal (same as § 3.18 of Annex 5 to Appendix **30**).

In relation to the transmitting power, the Board noted that according to § 3.11 and 4.10 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A**, the use of power control shall remain within the limits indicated in those paragraphs.

2 The Board has considered the question whether the examination with respect to conformity with the Regions 1 and 3 Lists means only the columns of the Tables in Part II of Annex 2 to Resolution **542 (WRC-2000)***, as updated, or whether it also includes an examination with respect to the technical characteristics published by the Bureau for each network of the Lists in the corresponding Part B Special Section of the Weekly Circular or the IFIC.

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-03.

The Board concluded that all technical characteristics published in the Part B Special Section for a given network need to be taken into account in this examination. Therefore, the examination from the viewpoint of conformity with the Lists is carried out in two steps:

- a) to ensure that the characteristics notified are those specified in the columns of the List concerned, as updated, and those specified in the Part B Special Section of a given network. If the characteristics are different then the examination under § 5.2.1 d) is carried out;
- b) to ensure that the protection criteria resulting from the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List concerned are not exceeded. To this effect, the characteristics specified in the columns of the List concerned, as updated, and those specified in the Part B Special Section of a given network are examined.

3 See also the Rules of Procedure relating to the scope of application of Article 5 of Appendix 30A.

5.2.1 d)

1 If an administration notifies any assignment with characteristics different from those listed in § 1 b) of the Rules of Procedure related to § 5.2.1 b) of Article 5 of Appendix 30A, and those allowed in § 5.2.1 d) of the same Article, a calculation is undertaken by the Bureau to determine if the proposed new characteristics would increase the interference level caused to other assignments in the appropriate Regional Plan, in the Regions 1 and 3 List(s), in the same service of an inter-regional Plan or in another service sharing the same frequency bands.

1.1 With respect to the compatibility of the proposed new characteristics with other assignments of the same Regional Plan and List, as appropriate, the increase of the interference will be checked by comparing the equivalent protection margin/overall equivalent protection margin values of these other assignments, which result from the proposed new characteristics on the one hand, and those obtained with the previous⁴ characteristics of the network in question on the other hand. These equivalent protection margin/overall equivalent protection margin calculations are performed under the same technical assumptions and conditions taking into account the orbital separation limit of $\pm 9^\circ$ for assignments in the Regions 1 and 3 Plan and List. A more detailed analysis of the interference situation could also be required by using single entry *C/I* values in order to identify the assignments of the network in question which are causing the increase of the interference.

In addition, in the case of Regions 1 and 3, the notified assignments with new characteristics for the network in question are examined with respect to their compliance with the power flux-density hard-limit defined in § 4 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30A, or, as the case may be, with respect to their compliance with the power flux-density level of the corresponding assignments in the Plan(s) or in the List(s) if those assignments were adopted by WRC-2000 with power flux-density level(s) higher than the above-mentioned power flux-density hard-limit.

⁴ As appearing in the appropriate Plan or List, according to the case.

1.2 With respect to the compatibility with other inter-regional assignments in the same service or assignments in another service sharing the same frequency bands, as appropriate, the increase of the interference will be checked by calculating the $\Delta T/T$ values, in accordance with the method given in Appendix 8, produced by the proposed new characteristics, and by comparing the resulting $\Delta T/T$ values, with those obtained with the previous⁴ characteristics of the subject assignment.

1.3 Should the results of the calculations described in § 1.1 and 1.2 above indicate that the proposed new characteristics increase the interference to other assignments, the Bureau would reach an unfavourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 d) of Article 5 of Appendix 30A and proceed accordingly.

2 With respect to the fourth indent of § 5.2.1 d), in the case of administrations of Region 2, the orbital position shall be examined to ensure compliance with the cluster concept (§ B of Annex 7 to Appendix 30 and § 4.13.1 of Annex 3 to Appendix 30A) as follows:

- if the orbital position is identical with that shown in the Plan, no further agreements are necessary;
- however, if the orbital position is different from that contained in the Plan but it is in the same cluster, then the agreement of administrations having assignments in the same cluster is necessary. The clusters are listed in Attachment 1 to the Rules of Procedure concerning Appendix 30. Appendices 30 and 30A do not contain any paragraph indicating the procedure to be followed for the above-mentioned agreement. The task of the Bureau in this respect is to ensure that the agreement of the administrations concerned is indicated in the notice; otherwise it considers the assignment to be not in conformity with Plan.

5.2.2.1

This paragraph implicitly relates to the cases where the Bureau reaches a favourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 a), § 5.2.1 c) and § 5.2.1 f) and an unfavourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 b) but a favourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 d).

However, considering the Rules of Procedure relating to the scope of application of Article 5 of Appendix 30A, the Board concluded that § 5.2.2.1 relates to the cases where the Bureau reaches a favourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 a) and § 5.2.1 c) and an unfavourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 b) but a favourable finding with respect to § 5.2.1 d).

In this event the frequency assignment shall be recorded in the Master Register.

5.3.1

See the Rules of Procedure concerning § 5.3.1 of Article 5 of Appendix 30.

Art. 6

Coordination, notification and recording of receiving terrestrial assignments when FSS feeder-links are involved

6.1

1 The paragraphs of Article 6 do not mention interim systems implemented in accordance with Resolution **42 (Rev.WRC-19)**. Such systems may be implemented in the frequency band 17.7-17.8 GHz for Region 2 shared with equal rights with terrestrial services:

Such usage may affect terrestrial stations.

2 This paragraph refers to *“a feeder-link earth station located on the territory of another administration and included in the service area of an assignment to a broadcasting-satellite service feeder-link space station which is in conformity with the appropriate regional feeder-link Plan”*. This earth station is to be considered a typical earth station located at the worst location.

3 In order to evaluate the interference, an Administration A, intending to use terrestrial stations, needs to know the fixed-earth station existing or planned. In order to take them into account administrations may calculate the coordination area as indicated in § 1.4.6 of Appendix 7 around the service area mentioned in § 6.1.

6.2

1 This paragraph refers to the need for an Administration B to communicate the actual location of its feeder-link earth stations without specifying which of these earth stations should be taken into account. As no indication is given, the Board understands that the administration may communicate the locations of earth stations without any limitations.

2 The actual locations of earth stations so communicated to Administration A and to the Bureau will be examined for their conformity with the characteristics listed under comments relating to § 5.2.1 *b)* of this Appendix or those for which the procedure of Article 4 was successfully applied. This examination will lead to the following:

- earth stations which conform to the above characteristics will be entered in the Plan without applying the Article 4 procedure, and Administration A will be informed accordingly;

- earth stations which do not conform to the characteristics listed under the comments relating to § 5.2.1 *b*) and for which the Article 4 procedure was not applied will be recorded in the Plan once the procedure of Article 4 is successfully applied and in this application of Article 4 the proposed use of the terrestrial service by Administration A shall be taken into account.

3 It is concluded from this paragraph that no transportable earth station can be used in the band 17.7-17.8 GHz in Region 2.

6.5

This paragraph implies that these feeder-link earth stations will not be entered in the Plan. For this reason the Bureau shall in such cases recommend to the administration that it applies the procedure of Article 4 in order to permit its earth stations to be entered in the Plan.

Art. 7

Coordination, notification and recording of FSS assignments when feeder-links to BSS assignments are involved

7.7

The comments under § 6.5 apply.

An. 1

Limits for determining whether a service of an administration is affected by proposed modifications to the Region 2 Plan or by proposed new or modified assignments to the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Lists

3

See comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning § 2 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30.

4

a) Test points

See comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning § *a*) of Section 1 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30.

b) *Implementation of the power flux-density limit referred to in the first paragraph of Section 4 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30A*

The power flux-density limit of $-76 \text{ dB(W/(m}^2 \cdot 27 \text{ MHz))}$ which is indicated in the first paragraph of Section 4 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30A was established in order to protect BSS feeder-link assignments from interference which may be caused by BSS feeder-link networks located outside an arc of $\pm 9^\circ$ around the wanted BSS feeder-link network, under worst-case station-keeping conditions. Therefore, this power flux-density limit was intended to be considered as a hard-limit that shall not be exceeded.

c) *Implementation of the equivalent protection margin degradation criterion referred to in the third paragraph of Section 4 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30A*

1 In accordance with the third paragraph of Section 4 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30A, an administration, which has assignment(s) in the 14 or 17 GHz Plan, in the 14 or 17 GHz List or assignment(s) for which the procedure of Article 4 of Appendix 30A has already been initiated, is considered as affected by a proposed new or modified assignment in the 14 or 17 GHz List if all the following conditions are met:

- the orbital spacing between both assignments is less than 9° , under worst-case station-keeping conditions; and
- there is a frequency overlap between the bandwidths assigned to each assignment; and
- the reference equivalent protection margin of at least one of the test-points⁵ of that wanted assignment falls more than 0.45 dB below 0 dB, or if already negative, more than 0.45 dB below that reference equivalent protection margin value.

d) *Reference protection margin*

See comments made under § d) of the Rules of Procedure relating to § 1 of Annex 1 to Appendix 30.

⁵ In the case of a wanted assignment in the Plan, the test-points referred to in this paragraph are those defined in that Plan. In the case of a wanted assignment in the List or for which the procedure of Article 4 of Appendices 30/30A has already been initiated, the test-points referred to in this paragraph are those provided under former Annex 2 to Appendices 30/30A or under Appendix 4.

An. 3

Technical data used in establishing the provisions and associated Plans and Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link Lists, which should be used for their application

1.7

The footnote to this provision states that *“in certain cases (e.g. when the channel spacing and/or bandwidth are different from the values given in § 3.5 and 3.8 of Annex 5 to Appendix 30), the Bureau will use the worst-case approach until a relevant ITU-R Recommendation is incorporated in this Annex by reference”*.

Noting that Recommendation ITU-R BO.1293-2 provides a method for calculation of interference only between assignments using different channelling and bandwidth in the case of a digital interferer, the Board therefore decided that, as an interim measure, until the applicable ITU-R Recommendations for protection masks/calculation method are available the calculation methods shown in Table 1 shall be applied when calculating interference between two assignments in the Plans and/or modifications to Plans.

TABLE 1

Wanted assignment	Interfering assignment	Method to be applied
“Standard” ¹ analogue	“Standard” analogue	As defined in Annex 3 to Appendix 30A
“Non-standard” analogue	“Standard” analogue	As described in the Bureau’s MSPACE Manual
“Standard” analogue	“Non-standard” analogue	As described in the Bureau’s MSPACE Manual
“Non-standard” analogue	“Non-standard” analogue	As described in the Bureau’s MSPACE Manual
Digital	“Standard” or “non-standard” analogue	As described in the Bureau’s MSPACE Manual
“Standard” or “non-standard” analogue	Digital	As defined in Recommendation ITU-R BO.1293-2 ²
Digital	Digital	As defined in Recommendation ITU-R BO.1293-2 ²

¹ The standard analogue assignments mentioned in the Table 1 above are those assignments in the Region 2 Plan with 24 MHz bandwidth, 14.58 MHz channel spacing and the assigned frequencies as specified in Article 9 of Appendix 30A.

² Recommendation ITU-R BO.1293-2 (Annexes 1 and 2) is applied which is referred to in § 3.4 of Annex 5 to Appendix 30 and § 3.3 of Annex 3 to Appendix 30A.

Power-control

Paragraph 3.11 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A** describes the method, propagation model and procedures for determination of the power control value of an assignment in the Plan of Regions 1 and 3. WRC-15 clarified that the use of power control should be extended to assignments in the Regions 1 and 3 List. Therefore, the Board decided that, whenever an assignment is included in the Regions 1 and 3 feeder-link List with a request to use power control with a power control value included in the Part B filing submitted in accordance with § 4.1.12 of Article 4 of Appendix **30A**, the Bureau shall apply the procedure described below in respect of the request.

1 The Bureau shall apply the method and procedures contained in § 3.11 of Annex 3 to Appendix **30A** to calculate the power control value for the relevant assignment at the time of that assignment entering into the List. At the same time, the Bureau shall identify any other administrations whose feeder-link Equivalent Protection Margin is reduced due to the use of power control by the subject assignment.

2 The Bureau shall consult the notifying administration of the subject assignment as to which value of power control should be used if the submitted value is less than the calculated one.

3 The Bureau shall then include the final value of power control for the subject assignment in a Part B Special Section published in accordance with § 4.1.15 of Article 4 of Appendix **30A**.

4 When the above-mentioned Part B Special Section is published, the Bureau shall inform the other administrations identified under 1 above of the reduction of their feeder-link Equivalent Protection Margin.

Note: WRC-15 took the decision related to the RoP on Annex 3 of Appendix **30A** during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CMR15/505, approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to Section 3.2.6.2 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), as follows:

“WRC-15 clarified that the use of power control should be extended to assignments in the Region 1 and 3 List and the corresponding RoP should be modified accordingly.”

Rules concerning
APPENDIX 30B to the RR

Art. 4

Execution of the provisions and associated Plan

4.1

Bidirectional allocation of some bands

1 See comments made under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **5.441**.

Art. 6

**Procedures for the conversion of an allotment into an assignment
for the introduction of an additional system or for
the modification of an assignment in the List***

6.3 a)

1 The footnotes attached to provisions § 6.3 a), 6.19 b), 7.5 a) and 8.8 require that the “*other provisions*” mentioned in those provisions shall be identified and included in the Rules of Procedure.

The regulatory examinations under § 6.3 a), 6.19 b), 7.5 a) and 8.8 include the following:

- conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations, including its footnotes and any Resolution or Recommendation which is referred to in such a footnote;
- all “*other*” mandatory provisions that are contained in Articles **21** to **22**, in Articles 3 and 4 of Appendix **30B** to the Radio Regulations and/or in Resolutions that are relevant to the service in the frequency band in which a station of that service operates.

* **Note:** WRC-23 took the following decision on implementation of modifications to Appendix **30A** and Appendix **30B** in relation to Topic 7F, see item 15.1 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):
“WRC-23 instructs the Bureau, when receiving a request for assistance from the notifying administrations of national or regional systems in relation to frequency coordination with affected administrations:

- to assist in preparation of necessary material including but not limited to C/I calculations, interference analysis and link budget calculations;
- to participate in such coordination meetings in order to provide support and facilitate technical discussions/negotiations.”

2 The list of “*other provisions*” that are contained in Articles **21** to **22** with respect to which the notices are examined, is given below:

2.1 conformity with the power limits for earth stations as stipulated in provisions Nos. **21.8** and **21.12**, account being taken of provisions Nos. **21.9** and **21.11**¹, and in provisions Nos. **22.26** to **22.29** under the conditions specified in provisions Nos. **22.30**, **22.31** and **22.37** where the earth stations are subject to those power limitations;

2.2 conformity with the minimum angle of elevation of earth stations as stipulated in provisions No. **21.14**²;

2.3 conformity with the limits of power flux-density from space stations produced at the Earth’s surface as indicated in the Table **21-4** (provision No. **21.16**), taking into account, as appropriate, the provision No. **21.17**; however, the Rules of Procedure relating to No. **21.16** concerning the application of power flux-density (pfd) limits to steerable beams do not apply in this case.

2.4 conformity with the limit specified in provisions Nos. **22.8** and **22.19**.

2.5 Other provisions of Articles **21** and **22** will not be taken into account in the Regulatory examination under § 6.3 *a)*, 6.19 *b)*, 7.5 *a)* and 8.8 and the Board understands that these provisions are to be applied between administrations as appropriate.

6.5

1 (Not used)

2 The Board, in reviewing the implementation of the regulatory procedures of Appendix **30B**, noted that there is no provision to prohibit the implementation of non-simultaneous transmissions within the context of that Appendix. The Board further noted that this approach is used within the context of Appendices **30** and **30A** by means of the grouping concept as defined in Articles 9 and 9A of Appendix **30A**, Articles 10 and 11 of Appendix **30** and rules of procedure relating to § 4.1.1 *a)* and 4.1.1 *b)* of Appendices **30** and **30A**.

¹ See Rules of Procedure relating to No. **21.11**.

² See Rules of Procedure relating to No. **21.14**.

3 In view of the above, the Board decided that the same grouping concept can also be applied within the context of §§ 6.5, 6.21 and 6.22. The Board's understanding of the grouping concept is that in the interference calculation to entries (allotments or assignments) that are part of the group, only the interference contribution from entries that are not part of the same group are to be considered. On the other hand, for the interference calculation from entries belonging to a group into entries that are not part of the same group, only the worst interference contribution from that group is to be taken into consideration.

4 The Board did not find any regulatory basis to extend the use of groupings involving multiple orbital positions. However, grouping of networks in different orbital positions may be used before the inclusion of the assignments in the List to modify the orbital position of a network.

5 Interference between assignments to the “existing systems” as referred to in *considering b) and c)* of Resolution **148 (Rev.WRC-15)** shall not be taken into consideration in single-entry calculation for consistent implementation of *instructs the Radiocommunication Bureau 2* of that Resolution.

6 See also *Note by the Secretariat* relating to the “multi-beam networks” as indicated in column 10 of the tables in Article 10 of Appendix **30B**.

6.6

Agreement of an administration whose territory is partially or wholly included in the service area of an assignment

The Board decided that the administrative agreements of the administrations whose territories are partially or wholly included in the intended service area of an assignment under examination are explicitly required and shall be obtained when entering the assignment in the List, irrespective of whether or not their allotments in the Plan or their assignments are identified as affected under § 6.5. If an identified administration does not make comment nor reply to the notifying administration's request for seeking agreement under § 6.6, it shall be considered that the former administration disagrees to the inclusion of its territory in the intended service area of the assignment.

In the examination of a satellite network submitted under § 6.17, if the Bureau finds that the territory of an administration is wholly or partially included in the service area of the network without having obtained an explicit agreement from that administration prior to the submission under § 6.17, it shall request the notifying administration to exclude the territory and the associated test points from the service area. If the notifying administration insists on keeping the service area unchanged, the finding of the examination under § 6.19 a) shall be unfavourable.

An administration that agreed to include its territory in the service area of an assignment may at any time withdraw its agreement in accordance with § 6.16.

6.14bis

See the Rules of Procedure concerning § 4.1.10c of Article 4 of Appendix **30**.

6.16

1 When the Bureau receives an objection to being included in a service area of an assignment from an administration in accordance with § 6.16 of Appendix **30B**, the Bureau publishes the modified service area for exclusion of its territory from the service area if the assignment has already been included in the List. If the assignment is at the stage of coordination and not yet included in the List (i.e. published in an AP30B/A6A/-- Special Section only), the Bureau takes that objection into account in the examination under § 6.19 *a*) when the assignment is submitted by the notifying administration under § 6.17. The final characteristics of the assignment in the List (i.e. those published in an AP30B/A6B/-- Special Section) shall not include the territory and test points that are within the territory of the objecting administration in the service area.

2 However, an administration can object to the inclusion of its territory in the service area of an assignment of the other administrations not yet entered in the List and explicitly request that the objection should be taken into account in the examination of its own network submitted under § 6.17 of Appendix **30B** in order to facilitate inclusion of the assignments of its own network to be included in the List. In this case, the objection should be considered definitive. The Bureau shall then, in accordance with § 6.16 of Appendix **30B**, exclude the territory and test points that are within the territory of that objecting administration from the service area of the assignment objected and publish the modified service area in a modification to the corresponding AP30B/A6A/-- Special Section. The modification to the service area and the deletion of test points shall then be taken into account in the subsequent examinations including examinations under § 6.21 and 6.22 of Appendix **30B** of the network submitted by the objecting administration under § 6.17 of Appendix **30B**.

6.19 b)

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 6.3 *a*).

6.21

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 6.5.

6.25 to 6.29

Note: WRC-15 took the decision related to the provisional entry of converted assignment in RR Appendix **30B** List during the 8th Plenary, Par. 1.39 to 1.42 of Doc. CMR15/505, approval of Doc. CMR15/416 in relation to Section 3.2.7.1 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), as follows:

“In Section 3.2.7.1 of Doc. 4 (Add2) (Rev1), the Director sought confirmation by the conference of the following course of action:

*When an assignment converted from an allotment of Appendix **30B** Plan enters in the List provisionally, the initial allotment will not be suppressed from the Plan until the entry in the List of the assignment becomes definitive. When the converted assignment is reinstated, the notifying administration should choose either to keep its initial allotment in the Plan or reinstate with characteristics in the List to replace the initial allotment. In the latter case, the conditions described in § 6.26 to § 6.29 of Article 6 of Appendix **30B** shall continue to be applied to the reinstated allotment (i.e. has the same status of the cancelled assignment).*

WRC-15 considered and confirmed the course of action presented in this section.”

6.38

The Board understands that the Bureau conducts an examination under §§ 6.5, 6.21 and 6.22 of Article 6 of Appendix **30B** to identify potentially affected allotments in the Plan and frequency assignments in the List based on their characteristics in the Plan and in the List. However, in application of § 6.38, the Bureau shall take into account, to the extent possible, the actual operational parameters, as provided by the administration of frequency assignments that have already been brought into use and recorded in the Master Register in its compatibility analysis. Such parameters may be different from the parameters of the corresponding frequency assignments in the List.

Upon receipt of a request for assistance from either the notifying administration applying § 6.37 or an administration identified under § 6.5 of Appendix **30B**, the Board decided that the Bureau shall request the notifying administrations of satellite networks which are identified as affected to provide their actual operational parameters within 30 days. If there is no reply within the 30 days, the Bureau shall send a reminder giving an additional 15-day period to reply.

Upon receipt of the requested operational parameters, the Bureau shall perform the compatibility analysis using those parameters instead of the corresponding parameters of the affected satellite network in the List. The compatibility analysis under § 6.38 shall be performed based on the same principles as those established in application of § 6.21, including footnote 7bis to § 6.21 c), and the latest available Appendix **30B** master database.^{2bis} The Bureau shall inform both the notifying administration having requested the application of § 6.37 and the notifying administration of the affected satellite network of the results of its compatibility analysis.

^{2bis} The administrations concerned may request the Bureau to use a different master database.

The notifying administration of the affected satellite network should also be invited to make modifications to the characteristics of the frequency assignments recorded in the Master Register in order to align them with their actual operational parameters.

If the Bureau does not receive a reply within 15 days following the reminder, the Board concluded that the Bureau shall inform the administrations concerned that it is not in a position to perform the compatibility analysis under § 6.38.

6.39

1 This provision indicates to the Bureau how to generate the uplink satellite antenna gain diagram for a frequency assignment to an additional system not subject to Resolution **170 (Rev.WRC-23)** or to a conversion of an allotment into a frequency assignment with modification outside the envelope of the allotment and not subject to Resolution **170 (Rev.WRC-23)** during the examination of a submission under § 6.37. The first step to generate the diagram is to create the -10 dB contour of minimum ellipses for all territories inside each service area of the satellite network identified under § 6.5. A question arises as to which space station antenna pattern shall be used in application of § 6.39. The Board instructed the Bureau to use the Appendix **30B** space station antenna co-polar pattern for receiving and transmitting antennas for all Regions without fast roll-off for creating the minimum ellipse covering a territory and the -10 dB contour of each individual minimum ellipse, as it is also used for the determination of coordination requirements and interference assessment in the FSS Plan. The co-polar pattern corresponds to the pattern code APSRR_401V01 in the Antenna Pattern Library maintained by the Bureau.

2 To ensure that there are enough test points to generate each minimum ellipse, the individual set of test points per national territory should be those contained in the national allotment plus the originally submitted test points associated with the service area and located inside that territory. If the total number of the test points for any territory in a service area is less than 20, the Bureau shall consult the notifying administration of the identified satellite network to find out whether it wishes to add more test points in that territory.

3 In creating the minimum ellipses, the Board decided that a rotation accuracy of 1.0° and a pointing error of 0.1° should be taken into account.

4 The test points taken from the national allotment or added during the application of § 6.39 are only for the purpose of generating the minimum ellipses and the combined ellipses and will not be used in technical examinations.

6.40

The Board understands that the “latter assignment” mentioned in the provision refers to a frequency assignment identified as potentially affected when examining the submission subject to § 6.37.

With respect to the condition for not updating the reference situation of a frequency assignment which is still identified as affected, it is not clear if “based on its submitted uplink coverage area” refers to the originally submitted coverage area (i.e. the one in the List) or to the coverage area that was submitted as an “actual operational parameter” in application of § 6.38. In addition, this provision does not give clear instruction on whether the reference situation of the “still affected” satellite network should be updated when the administrations concerned reach agreement under § 6.37*bis*. The Board thus instructed the Bureau, when a frequency assignment subject to § 6.37 is entered in the List, to consult both the notifying administration having requested the application of § 6.37 and the notifying administration of the affected satellite network and not to update the reference situation of the frequency assignments which are still identified as affected, based on the originally submitted coverage area, unless both parties agree to update the reference situation.

Art. 7

Procedure for the addition of a new allotment to the Plan for a new Member State of the Union³

7.3

New allotment to the Plan for a new Member State of the Union

1 Provision § 7.3 of Appendix **30B** requests the Bureau to identify appropriate technical characteristics and associated orbital locations for a prospective national allotment upon receipt of a request from a new Member State.

The Bureau shall apply the procedures described below to find an appropriate orbital position for an allotment in the Appendix **30B** Plan for a new Member State.

2 The Bureau shall ensure that all submitted test-points are located within the national territory of the new Member State. Test-point locations shall be verified using the ITU Digitized World Map. In addition, in the absence of a height above sea level, a value of zero metres shall be assumed by the Bureau.

³ **Note:** WRC-23 took the following decision on issues related to the Article 7 procedure of Appendix **30B**, see item 13.10 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):

*“WRC-23 urges administrations with Appendix **30B** Part A submissions received before 12 March 2020 to make all efforts to accommodate Article 7 submissions of other administrations and to take into account the results of the analyses of the Bureau and the measures to avoid further degradation of the C/I levels when preparing their Part B submissions.”*

3 In order to facilitate the implementation of the orbital position selection approach described in § 8 below, the new Member State may provide under § 7.2 c) of Article 7 of Appendix **30B** its preferred orbital position(s) and/or its preferred orbital arc(s), bearing in mind that the implementation of these preferences might not be possible due to excesses of interference to or from other allotments or assignments of Appendix **30B**.

4 The Bureau shall establish the required minimum elevation angles associated to each test-point in accordance with § 1.3 of Annex 1 to Appendix **30B**. The service arc shall then be calculated in order to meet the required minimum elevation angles of all test-points.

5 With regard to the generation of the minimum ellipse to cover the national territory of the new Member State, the Bureau shall use a space station antenna beam pointing error of 0.1° for the generation of elliptical beams under Article 7 of Appendix **30B**.

6 With regard to the transmitting and receiving space station antenna maximum gain values, as a function of the major and minor axes of the ellipse, instead of using the definition contained in § 1.7.2 of Annex 1 to Appendix **30B** the Bureau shall use the more precise formula defined in § 3.13.1 of Annex 5 and § 3.7.1 of Annex 3 of Appendices **30** and **30A**, respectively.

7 With regard to the calculation of the maximum power density values, the Bureau shall assume the worst-case conditions in terms of space station antenna pointing error and rotational accuracy for the calculation of the antenna gain in the direction of each test-point, in order to ensure that the objective *C/N* ratios defined in § 1.2 of Annex 1 to Appendix **30B** are met for all test points, i.e., assume the minimum gain value of the antenna, taking into account a pointing error of 0.1° and a rotational accuracy of $\pm 1.0^\circ$.

8 With regard to the selection of orbital position, the Bureau shall use an automated approach based on an iterative process as follows:

8.1 Once the service arc is calculated, as mentioned in § 4 above, an iterative process is implemented to identify suitable orbital position(s) within that arc for the allotment to the new Member State in question.

8.2 The Bureau shall assume a minimum orbital position step of 0.1° in this process.

8.3 Each new possible orbital position shall be examined by the Bureau as follows:

- regenerate the elliptical beam parameters;
- recalculate the required power density values to meet the *C/N* criteria of § 1.2 of Annex 1 to Appendix **30B**;

- using the methods and criteria contained in Appendices 1 and 2 to Attachment 1 to Resolution **170 (Rev.WRC-23)**, determine whether the new allotment at that orbital position is compatible with the allotments and the assignments as mentioned in § 7.5 of Article 7.

Note: The World Radiocommunication Conference (Dubai, 2023) (WRC-23) took a decision on the procedure under Article 7 of Appendix **30B** at its 13th plenary meeting, see § 13.10 of Document CMR23/528, which reads as follows:

13.10 *On issues related to the Article 7 procedure of Appendix **30B**, it was proposed that the following text be approved and included in the minutes of the Plenary:*

*“WRC-23 urges administrations with Appendix **30B** Part A submissions received before 12 March 2020 to make all efforts to accommodate Article 7 submissions of other administrations and to take into account the results of the analyses of the Bureau and the measures to avoid further degradation of the C/I level when preparing their Part B submissions.*

*WRC-23 instructed the Bureau to contact the additional seven countries (Eritrea, Estonia, Latvia, Saint Lucia, Tajikistan, Timor-Leste and Turkmenistan) and the State of Palestine, which still have no allotment in the Appendix **30B** Plan, and to identify orbital resources should they wish to initiate the process under Article 7.”*

9 The Bureau shall identify the most appropriate orbital position(s) with the aim to minimize the C/I excesses caused or received from other allotment(s), or assignment(s) of Appendix **30B** and send this information to the requesting administration in accordance with § 7.3 of Article 7.

7.5 a)

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 6.3 a).

Art. 8

**Procedure for notification and recording in the Master Register
of assignments in the planned bands for the
fixed-satellite service**

8.8

See Rules of Procedure relating to § 6.3 a).

8.16

§ 6.31*bis* of Appendix **30B** specifies the course of action that shall be taken regarding the submission or updating of the Resolution **49** information when the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use frequency assignments is extended due to launch failure.

However, when the Board decides to grant an extension of the regulatory time-limit for bringing into use frequency assignments in cases of *force majeure* or co-passenger delay, this also raises the question of whether the deadline for the submission of Resolution **49 (Rev.WRC-23)** and notification information should be extended.

Noting that a similar question related to non-planned services is addressed in the rule of procedure concerning Nos. **11.48** and **11.48.1**, the Board decided that the rule of procedure concerning Nos. **11.48** and **11.48.1** of the Radio Regulations shall also apply to the extension of bringing into use of frequency assignments subject to Appendix **30B** with the understanding that the regulatory period for bringing into use frequency assignments to a satellite network subject to this Appendix is eight years.

**An. 3 and
An. 4**

1 WRC-07 revised Appendix **30B** and introduced power flux-density limits in Annex 3 of Appendix **30B** in order to protect FSS allotments and assignments from interference which may be caused by FSS assignments located outside the orbital arcs defined in Annex 4. Although the reference bandwidth of these limits in Annex 3 is 1 MHz, the maximum power densities which are used for the calculation of power flux-densities are submitted in dB(W/Hz) averaged over the necessary bandwidth (C.8.h) and 4 kHz (C.8.b.2) in accordance with Appendix 4. The discrepancy between the reference bandwidth for the limits and the averaging bandwidth for submission might lead to the overestimation of interference when a few narrow-band carriers are used, e.g. carriers for tracking, telemetry and telecommand. On the other hand, a narrow-band carrier might cause significant interference to other narrow-band carriers if these carriers are accidentally overlapping with each other.

2 In order to avoid the overestimation of interference from narrow-band carriers into wideband carriers caused by integrating the power of narrow-band carriers from 1 Hz to 1 MHz and to provide a mechanism to resolve unexpected interference between narrow-band carriers, the Board decided on the following course of action.

2.1 In the case when:

a) the maximum power density, in dB(W/Hz), averaged over the worst 1 MHz band, supplied to the input of the antenna taking into account the number of carriers and power level of each carrier to be operated within the averaging bandwidth of 1 MHz;

is lower than;

b) the maximum power density, in dB(W/Hz), averaged over the necessary bandwidth (C.8.h);

2.2 the power density value as described in 2.1 a) above shall be provided by a notifying administration together with the relevant Appendix 4 information;

2.3 the Bureau shall use the submitted power density value as described in 2.1 a) above for its examination under Annexes 3 and 4 and publish it in the relevant Special Section;

2.4 those operating assignments whose power density value as described in 2.1 b) is higher than that in 2.1 a) shall not cause harmful interference to, or claim protection from, prior assignments recorded in the MIFR.

Note: WRC-19 took the decision related to Annexes 3 and 4 of Appendix 30B, during the 10th Plenary, see items 13.7 to 13.9 of Doc. CMR19/571, approval of Doc. CMR19/510 (see also the Rules of Procedure on Resolution 170 (Rev.WRC-23)), as follows:

“Instructions to the Radiocommunication Bureau in application of Annex 3 and Annex 4 of RR Appendix 30B as well as of criteria referred to in Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) in its processing, after 22 November 2019, of submissions received under that Appendix

The Radiocommunication Bureau shall continue to calculate and update already accepted single-entry values in both uplink and downlink for all RR Appendix 30B satellite networks in consistency with footnotes X2 and X3 to item 2.1 of the Annex 4 of RR Appendix 30B (Rev.WRC-19), so that this information could be used by administrations during coordination of their respective networks. The Radiocommunication Bureau shall apply:

1 For complete submissions under § 6.1 received by the Bureau before 23 November 2019:

- a) Annex 3 (WRC-07) in its examination under § 6.3 b);
- b) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07) in its examination under § 6.5.

Note: Including protection of submissions under Issue E examined before Part A.

2 For complete submissions under § 6.17 received by the Bureau before 23 November 2019:

- a) Annex 3 (WRC-07) in its examination under § 6.19 c);
- b) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07) in its examination under § 6.21;
- c) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07) in its further examination under the new footnote to § 6.21 c);
- d) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07) in its examination under § 6.22.

Note: Including protection of submissions under Issue E examined before Part B.

3 For complete submissions under § 6.17 received by the Bureau after 22 November 2019, related to complete submissions under § 6.1 received by the Bureau before 23 November 2019:

- a) Annex 3 (WRC-07) in its examination under § 6.19 c);
- b) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07) in its examination under § 6.21;
- c) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07) in its further examination under footnote YY to § 6.21 c) if the remaining affected assignments are recorded in the List before 23 November 2019;
- d) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) in its further examination under footnote YY to § 6.21 c) if the remaining affected assignments are recorded in the List after 22 November 2019;
- e) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.22.

Note: Including protection of submissions under Issue E examined before Parts A and/or B.

4 For complete submissions under § 6.1 received by the Bureau after 22 November 2019:

- a) Annex 3 (Rev.WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.3 b);
- b) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.5.

5 For complete submissions under § 6.17 received by the Bureau after 22 November 2019, related to complete submissions under § 6.1 received by the Bureau after 22 November 2019:

- a) Annex 3 (Rev.WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.19 c);
- b) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.21;
- c) Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.22.

6 *For complete submissions under § 6.1 in application of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19):*

- a) *Annex 3 (Rev.WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.3 b);*
- b) *Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) and the new criteria referred to in Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.5, as appropriate.*

Note: Including examination of submissions under Issue E before the examination of the last normal Part A and/or Part B received before 23 November 2019.

7 *For complete submissions under § 6.17 in application of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19), the Bureau shall apply:*

- a) *Annex 3 (Rev.WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.19 c);*
- b) *Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) and the new criteria referred to in Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.21, as appropriate;*
- c) *Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) and the new criteria referred to in Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) in its further examination under footnote YY to § 6.21 c), as appropriate;*
- d) *Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) and the new criteria referred to in Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) in its examination under § 6.22, as appropriate.*

Application of § 6.16:

- *In excluding the territories of the concerned administration, the Bureau shall apply Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07) until the last complete submissions under § 6.1 or § 6.17 received by the Bureau before 23 November 2019 has been examined and Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) afterward.*
- *If § 6.16 request is submitted in order to be taken into account for the examination of a complete submissions under § 6.17, in examining those submissions, the Bureau shall apply appropriate Annex 4 used in the examination under § 6.21 and § 6.22 as indicated above.*

Application of § 6.27 in updating criteria:

The Bureau shall apply Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07) until the last complete submissions under § 6.1 or § 6.17 received by the Bureau before 23 November 2019 has been examined and Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19) afterward.

Application of § 7.5:

- For a request under Article 7 received before 23 November 2019, the Bureau shall apply Annex 3 (WRC-07) and Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-07).
- For a request under Article 7 received after 22 November 2019, the Bureau shall apply Annex 3 (Rev.WRC-19) and Annex 4 (Rev.WRC-19).

*In its examination under 6.21 c), the Bureau shall take into account also complete submissions under § 6.1 in application of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) and Article 7 request transferred to Article 6 under § 7.7 that has been examined before the date of receipt of the examined notice submitted under § 6.1.”**

* *Note by the Secretariat:* The definitive number of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] WRC-19 (WRC-19) is Resolution 170 (Rev.WRC-23). Furthermore, the definitive numbers of footnotes X1, X2 and YY in Appendix 30B are 17^{bis}, 20^{bis} and 7^{bis} respectively. Finally, “submissions under issue E” referred to submissions under the special procedure described in Attachment 1 to Resolution 170 (Rev.WRC-23).

Annex 4

Criteria for determining whether an allotment or an assignment is considered to be affected

2.1

1 In order to adequately protect the existing networks in their entire downlink service area, an examination based on a single-entry criterion over the downlink service area was introduced under § 2.1 of Annex 4 of Appendix 30B.

2 As indicated in footnote 19 to § 2.1 of Annex 4 of Appendix 30B (Rev.WRC-19), the reference values within the downlink service area are interpolated from the reference values on the corresponding test points. The following interpolation formula and condition shall be used to calculate the interpolated values at grid points⁴ within the downlink service area:

$$V_{Eg} = \frac{\sum_{h=1}^{Nt} R_{Th} \times (d_{Th})^{-2}}{\sum_{h=1}^{Nt} (d_{Th})^{-2}} \quad (1)$$

⁴ The service area is regularly covered by a grid of points located on land and inside the service area.

where:

T_h : test point number h of the wanted downlink service area;

E_g : point number g of the grid of examination points on the wanted downlink service area;

N_t : total number of test points;

d_{Th} : distance between the test point T_h and the grid point E_g ;

R_{Th} : single entry C/I reference value (dB) at the test point T_h (i.e. 26.65 dB, or $(C/N)_d + 11.65$ dB, whichever is the lowest);

V_{Eg} : interpolated single entry C/I reference value (dB) at the grid point E_g .

If the value $(R_{Th} - ((C/N)_{d,Th} - (C/N)_{d,Eg}))$ is lower than R_{Th} , then $(R_{Th} - ((C/N)_{d,Th} - (C/N)_{d,Eg}))$ shall be used in (1) instead of R_{Th} ,

where:

$(C/N)_{d,Th}$: the downlink C/N value at test point T_h ;

$(C/N)_{d,Eg}$: the downlink C/N value at grid point E_g .

3 If the interpolated value V_{Eg} is higher than $(C/N)_{d,Eg} + 11.65$ dB, $(C/N)_{d,Eg} + 11.65$ dB shall be used as the reference value for grid point E_g . Otherwise, the interpolated value is the reference value.

4 Footnote 10 to § 2.1 of Appendix 1 to Attachment 1 to Resolution **170 (Rev.WRC-23)** refers to the same interpolation method as above. Therefore, when applying § 2.1 of Appendix 1 to Attachment 1 to Resolution **170 (Rev.WRC-23)**, the method contained in §§ 2 and 3 above shall be used to calculate the interpolated values at grid points within the downlink service area with the following modifications:

R_{Th} shall be defined as the single entry C/I reference value (dB) at the test point T_h (i.e. 23.65 dB, or $(C/N)_d + 8.65$ dB, or any already accepted value, whichever is the lowest);

a value of $(C/N)_{d,Eg} + 8.65$ dB shall be used instead of $(C/N)_{d,Eg} + 11.65$ dB.

2.2

Note: WRC-19 took the decision related to grid points and test points at sea, during the 8th Plenary, see items 3.11 to 3.15 of Doc. CMR19/569, approval of Doc. CMR19/451, in relation to section 3.2.5.6 of Doc. CMR19/4 (Add.2), as follows:

“In considering section 3.2.5.6 on ‘Grid points at sea in the examination using the methods of Annex 4 of RR Appendix 30B’, WRC-19 decided that only grid points that are located on land and inside the service area should be considered in addition to test-points in application of paragraph 2.2 of Annex 4 to Appendix 30B. In taking this decision WRC-19 acknowledged that, should the use of Appendix 30B expand beyond its current use, it may be necessary to reconsider this decision in the future. WRC-19 also decided that test-points at sea shall not be taken into account by the Radiocommunication Bureau in its technical and regulatory examination of the relevant submissions received by the Bureau.”

Annex 7

Measurements in order to facilitate the addition of a new allotment to the Plan for a new Member State of the Union

§ 5 a)

§ 5 states that “*should the power density of the proposed new allotment be limited to a single minimum value... meeting the carrier-to-noise (C/N) objectives and an overall aggregate carrier-to-interference value of 21 dB, as indicated in Annex 1 to Appendix 30B,...*” additional measures including § 5 a) shall be applied.

The Board noted that, when applying § 7.3 of Article 7 of Appendix 30B for identifying technical characteristics of possible new allotments, the power density values are calculated based on the C/N criteria of § 1.2 of Annex 1 of Appendix 30B without consideration of aggregate C/I values.

However, when the requesting administration selects the characteristics of the new allotment from those proposed by the Bureau, it may request the Bureau to increase the power density values of the selected new allotment if any of its aggregate C/I values are less than 21 dB. The Board instructed the Bureau to then recalculate the power density values for the new allotment in order to meet the 21-dB aggregate C/I target, taking into account any appropriate limitation contained in Articles 21 and 22 and Annex 3 to Appendix 30B.

§ 5 b)

This provision indicates that, in examining a proposed new allotment, §§ 5 a) and 5 d) of Annex 7 shall not be applied to frequency assignments already entered in the List; however, it does not mention which criteria should be used in that case instead of those under §5 a).

The Board instructed the Bureau that, with respect to frequency assignments entered in the List on or before the date of receipt of the proposed new allotment under examination:

- a frequency assignment shall be considered as being affected if either one of the single-entry carrier-to-interference ratios ($(C/I)_d$ and $(C/I)_u$) or the overall aggregate carrier-to-interference ratio ($(C/I)_{agg}$), is not equal to or greater than its associated value specified in § 2.1 of Annex 4 to Appendix **30B**; and
- if the frequency assignment in the List is identified as affected, the proposed new allotment should not be taken into account when updating the reference situation of that frequency assignment, when the proposed new allotment is entered in the List and/or the Plan.

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 1 (Rev.WRC-97)

Notification of frequency assignments

1 Terrestrial services

In accordance with this Resolution, the Bureau should, in each case of notification or communication of information:

- a)* verify that the station is within a territory under the jurisdiction of the notifying administration, and
- b)* if that is not the case, verify that a special arrangement has been communicated to the Union.

Any action under *a)* above would lead the Bureau to delicate situations when considering the administration having jurisdiction on a given territory. The consideration of *b)* above may lead to impractical situations because administrations may agree on operating a given system without necessarily going through a formal agreement.

Considering that it was not the intention of the Member States to see the Bureau involved in matters relating to disputed territories, the Board decided that Resolution 1 (Rev.WRC-97) shall be applied as follows:

- Unless advised to the contrary by an administration not accepting such practice, any notification of a frequency assignment to a station located in a territory of an administration other than the notifying administration shall be assumed to be the subject of agreement between the two administrations concerned.
- When, following the publication of a frequency assignment in the BR IFIC or its Special Sections, the administration of the territory on which the station is located objects to it, the notifying administration is requested to communicate any special arrangement to the objecting administration.
- If, following the replies received from the notifying administration, the Bureau is of the opinion that the sovereignty over the territory in question is a matter of dispute between the two administrations and it is informed that the station is actually operated by the notifying administration, the Bureau will record the assignment and will enter a symbol to indicate the situation. Otherwise the notice will be returned to the notifying administration.

2 Space services

2.1 The notification of terrestrial international links contains the indication of the receiving station located in the territory of another administration assuming that there is an agreement about establishing the radio link. In the case of space radiocommunications, the notification and registration procedures of Article **11** of a given frequency assignment are applied separately by the administration operating the transmitting part and by the administration using the receiving part.

2.2 When the Bureau receives from an Administration A a notice for a transmitting space station with a service area covering the territory of an Administration B, it assumes that the latter has given its agreement and the transmission will be protected over its territory.

2.3 Similarly, when an administration notifies a transmitting or a receiving earth station the Bureau assumes that the proposed use will be made with the agreement of the administration responsible of the associated space station and the comments in § 1 above apply.

2.4 As far as the request for exclusion of the territory of a country from the service area of a space station, see comments under the Rules of Procedure concerning No. **9.50**.

3 Requirements for Planning Conferences

3.1 Radio Conferences in the past had to deal with:

- requirements by administrations for stations to be located on a territory under the jurisdiction of another administration; or
- reference points or test points of the requirement of an administration which were located on the territory under the jurisdiction of another administration.

In accordance with the approach described in § 1 and 2 above this information was published in Conference preparatory documents. Following this publication, when objections were received from administrations that considered themselves concerned, the objected test point or requirements were cancelled and the matter was reported to the Conference for decision.

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 8 (WRC-23)

Tolerances for certain orbital characteristics of space stations deployed as part of non-geostationary-satellite orbit systems in the fixed-satellite, broadcasting-satellite or mobile-satellite service

1 When the modification of a frequency assignment subject to Section II of Article 9 is submitted in application of *resolves* 9 of Resolution 8 (WRC-23), it shall be examined under No. 11.43A to determine whether the coordination requirements remained unchanged following the procedure indicated in § 2 of the Rules of Procedure on No. 11.43A. If, due to the modifications, new coordination requirements are identified for the frequency assignments that are subject to Resolution 35 (Rev.WRC-23) and Resolution 8 (WRC-23)¹ and have space stations whose deviations in altitude or inclination were the basis for the modifications, the Board concluded that such frequency assignments shall receive an unfavourable finding and be returned to the notifying administration.

2 When applying *resolves* 9 and in order to demonstrate a non-increase in interference and subsequent non-increase in coordination requirements following the method contained in § 2 of the Rule of Procedure on No. 11.43A and in the absence of appropriate criteria or calculation methods, the Board decided that the notifying administration may provide technical justifications based on dynamic interference assessments in the form of a cumulative distribution function of the interference level, expressed as an interference-to-noise (*I/N*) ratio, for various locations and percentages of time, created in the subsequently filed non-geostationary-satellite orbit (non-GSO) systems or geostationary-satellite orbit (GSO) networks by the existing non-GSO system based on its initial characteristics and modified characteristics, respectively. The Bureau shall thoroughly study the technical justifications provided by the notifying administration in order to make its findings under No. 11.43B.

3 The Board noted that *resolves* 16 of Resolution 8 (WRC-23) limits the modifications to be submitted under that *resolves* to any sub-items of Appendix 4 data item A.4.b.4, except data item A.4.b.4.b (i.e. the number of satellites in the orbital plane), and any sub-items of data items A.14, A.4.b.6.a and A.4.b.7. Modifications involving the change of Appendix 4 data item A.4.b.4.b (i.e. a decrease in the number of satellites in the orbital plane) shall be submitted under *resolves* 11 c) of Resolution 35 (Rev.WRC-23).

¹ The frequency assignments subject to Resolution 35 (Rev.WRC-23) are those frequency assignments of non-GSO systems in the frequency bands and in the services listed in the table under *resolves* 1 of Resolution 35 (Rev.WRC-23).

However, noting the condition for a favourable finding under No. **11.43B** described in *resolves* 14 c) ii) of Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)**², the Board decided that a modification submitted under *resolves* 10 of Resolution **8 (WRC-23)** involving the change of data item A.4.b.4.b will be treated as complying with the condition in *resolves* 16 c) ii), provided that the notifying administration indicates that the modification is submitted in simultaneous application of *resolves* 11 of Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)** and *resolves* 10 of Resolution **8 (WRC-23)**. Similarly, such a modification may be treated as complying with the condition in *resolves* 14 c) ii) of Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)** if it involves changes to any sub-item of data item A.4.b that is not listed in *resolves* 14 c) ii) of Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)** when such modification is associated with the application of *resolves* 10 of Resolution **8 (WRC-23)**.

If, due to modifications, any of the conditions contained in *resolves* 16 c) i), 16 c) ii) or 16 c) iii) are not met, except when only the condition under *resolves* 16 c) ii) is not met because the number of satellites in data item A.4.b.4.b is reduced as a result of a simultaneous application of *resolves* 11 of Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)** and *resolves* 10 of Resolution **8 (WRC-23)**, the Board further decided that all modified frequency assignments subject to Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)** shall receive an unfavourable finding and shall be returned to the notifying administration.

4 The notifying administration will be invited to apply Section II of Article **9** for all frequency assignments receiving unfavourable findings under §§ 1 and 3 above.

² The modifications are limited to the reduction of the number of orbital planes (Appendix 4 data item A.4.b.2) and modifications to the longitude of the ascending node (Appendix 4 data item A.4.b.4.j) associated with the remaining orbital planes, or reduction of the number of space stations per plane (Appendix 4 data item A.4.b.4.b) and modifications of the initial phase angle of the space stations (Appendix 4 data item A.4.b.4.h) within planes.

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 32 (Rev.WRC-23)

Regulatory procedures for frequency assignments to non-geostationary-satellite networks or systems identified as short-duration mission not subject to the application of Section II of Article 9

Section 4 of the Annex to Resolution **32 (Rev.WRC-23)** indicate that the notification information relating to non-GSO networks or systems identified as short-duration mission shall be communicated to the Radiocommunication Bureau only after the launch of a satellite in the case of a satellite network or of the first satellite in the case of a system requiring multiple launches, and not later than two months after the date of bringing into use. This provision applies instead of No. **11.25** for frequency assignments to non-GSO networks or systems with short-duration missions.

However, No. **9.1** restricts the date of receipt of notification to be not earlier than four months after the publication of the API special section.

It may therefore occur that notification information relating to non-GSO networks or systems identified as short-duration missions be communicated to the Bureau not later than two months after the date of bringing into use but earlier than four months after the publication of the API special section.

Noting that § 4 of the Annex to Resolution **32 (Rev.WRC-23)** relates to the time when the notification information has to be communicated to the Bureau, whereas No. **9.1** concerns the establishment of the formal date of receipt, the Board decided that the Bureau shall publish such notification notices with a date of receipt established in accordance with No. **9.1**, together with a note indicating the date to which the information was communicated to the Radiocommunication Bureau, in order for Administrations to be informed of the compliance of these notices with § 4 of the Annex to Resolution **32 (Rev.WRC-23)**.

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 35 (Rev.WRC-23)

A milestone-based approach for the implementation of frequency assignments to space stations in a non-geostationary-satellite system in specific frequency bands and services

For the application of *resolves 17 b) i)* of Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)**, the Board understands that all satellites in any orbital plane not listed in the final complete deployment information, and all orbital planes where no satellite is listed in the final complete deployment information, submitted under *resolves 2, 3, 7 or 8*, as appropriate, of Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)** will have to be suppressed from the notice. Consequently, any beams and groups of frequency assignments solely associated with such orbital planes or satellites will also have to be suppressed.

Regarding frequency assignments that were associated with the remaining orbital planes and satellites, if the modifications to the notified characteristics of the satellite system provided for under *resolves 11* of Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)** were not submitted following failure to reach the established milestones, the Board concluded that, in the application of *resolves 17 b) ii)*, a symbol will be inserted into the “Remarks” field indicating that those frequency assignments are not in compliance with Resolution **35 (Rev.WRC-23)** and will no longer be taken into account under subsequent examinations under Nos. **9.36, 11.32** or **11.32A**. The information recorded under the date of protection or “2D-date” (i.e. the date from which a frequency assignment is taken into account as defined in § 1 *e)* of Appendix **5**) and the information concerning the status of coordination agreements will also be removed for those frequency assignments.

Following those actions, the Board noted that such frequency assignments will be recorded in the Master Register for information purposes only and shall not cause harmful interference to, or claim protection from, a station operating in accordance with the Radio Regulations, in a manner similar to a recording with a request for the application of No. **4.4**. The Board instructed the Bureau to publish the updated status of such frequency assignments in a BR IFIC.

Noting that *resolves 17* applies only in cases where a notifying administration fails to provide the required information and in order to avoid retaining unused frequency assignments in the Master Register, the Board also instructed the Bureau to apply No. **13.6** before recording and publishing the updated status of such frequency assignments.

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 121 (WRC-23)

Use of the frequency band 12.75-13.25 GHz by earth stations in motion on aircraft and vessels communicating with geostationary space stations in the fixed-satellite service

ANNEX 1 TO RESOLUTION 121 (WRC-23)

PART I

Procedure to be followed by the administrations and the Bureau for submission of the earth stations in motion on aircraft and vessels operating in the frequency band 12.75-13.25 GHz (Earth-to-space) and for the protection of allotments in the Plan, assignments in the Appendix 30B List and those submitted under Articles 6 and 7 of Appendix 30B as well as under Resolution 170 (Rev.WRC-23)

Section A – Procedure for entering assignments to earth stations in motion on aircraft and vessels in the Appendix 30B ESIM List

§ 3 a)

The Board noted that the footnotes attached to provisions § 3 a) and § 14 a) of Section A and § 6.1 of Section B require that the “*other provisions*” mentioned in those provisions shall be identified and included in the Rules of Procedure. As the earth stations in motion on aircraft and vessels in the frequency band 12.75-13.25 GHz should operate within the envelope of the supporting frequency assignments in the List of Appendix 30B, the “*other provisions*” should be the same as those applied in the examination of an Appendix 30B notice.

In this regard, the Rules of Procedure on § 6.3 a) of Appendix 30B list the “*other provisions*” that are contained in Articles 21 and 22 of the Radio Regulations with respect to which Appendix 30B notices are examined under § 6.3 a), § 6.19 b), § 7.5 a) or § 8.8 of Appendix 30B, including “*conformity with the power limits for earth stations as stipulated in provisions Nos. 21.8 ... and 21.12, ... account being taken of provisions Nos. 21.9 and 21.11*” and “*conformity with the minimum angle of elevation of earth stations as stipulated in provisions Nos. 21.14...*”.

However, the Board noted that Nos. **21.8** and **21.12** of the Radio Regulations and Annex 2 to Resolution **121 (WRC-23)** are intended to protect terrestrial services. Since the limitations contained in No. **21.8** are less stringent than those contained in Annex 2 to Resolution **121 (WRC-23)**, the Board concluded that examination under No. **21.8** is not necessary. In addition, noting the nature of earth stations in motion on aircraft and vessels, as typical stations, and considering the WRC-15 decision related to No. **21.14** that removed the limitation on the setting of grid points with an elevation angle of at least 3°, the Board further concluded that the examination under No. **21.14** is not required either.

The Board also decided that the “other provisions” that are contained in Article **22** and that shall be applied in examinations under § 3 *a*) and § 14 *a*) of Section A and § 6.1 of Section B are the following:

- conformity with the power limits for earth stations in motion on aircraft and vessels as stipulated in No. **22.26** under the conditions specified in No. **22.37** where the earth stations in motion on aircraft and vessels are subject to those power limitations; and
- conformity with the limit specified in No. **22.8**.

Other provisions of Articles **21** and **22** will not be taken into account in the regulatory examination under § 3 *a*) and § 14 *a*) of Section A and § 6.1 of Section B since the Board understands that those provisions are to be applied between administrations as appropriate.

§ 14 a)

See the Rules of Procedure on § 3 *a*) above.

Section B – Procedure for notification and recording in the Master International Frequency Register of assignments to earth stations in motion on aircraft and vessels dealt with under this Resolution

§ 6.1

See the Rules of Procedure on § 3 *a*) of Section A above.

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 123 (WRC-23)

Use of the frequency bands 17.7-18.6 GHz, 18.8-19.3 GHz and 19.7-20.2 GHz (space-to-Earth) and 27.5-29.1 GHz and 29.5-30 GHz (Earth-to-space) by aeronautical and maritime earth stations in motion communicating with non-geostationary space stations in the fixed-satellite service

1 The Board noted that *resolves 2* of Resolution **123 (WRC-23)** requires that the characteristics of earth stations in motion (ESIMs) shall remain within the envelope characteristics, including any applicable coordination agreement, of typical earth stations associated with the non-geostationary satellite orbit (non-GSO) system in the fixed-satellite service (FSS) with which ESIMs communicate.

1.1 For applying *resolves 2*, the Board decided that the Bureau shall identify whether the ESIM characteristics are within the envelope characteristics of typical earth stations associated with the satellite system with which those aeronautical and/or maritime ESIMs communicate by using the method contained in § 2.3 of the Rule of Procedure on No. **9.27**. In cases where such examination indicates that coordination requirements of the frequency assignments of aeronautical and/or maritime ESIMs involve any additional satellite network or system, the frequency assignments to the aeronautical and/or maritime ESIMs will be returned to the notifying administration together with an unfavourable finding under No. **11.32**. The results of the Bureau's examination shall be published in its International Frequency Information Circular (BR IFIC).

1.2 In addition to the procedure indicated in § 1.1 above, in cases where ESIMs operate in the frequency bands 27.5-28.6 GHz and 29.5-30 GHz (Earth-to-space), the Board concluded that the minimum elevation angle submitted for ESIMs (see Appendix 4 data item A.36.a) shall be greater than or equal to the minimum elevation angle submitted for the associated group of frequency assignments to the non-GSO FSS system (see Appendix 4 data item A.4.b.7.c*bis*) in order to ensure that ESIMs comply with e_{pf}d limits set out in No. **22.5D**.

The Board noted that, for aeronautical ESIMs, the reference minimum elevation angle value of typical earth stations of the associated non-GSO FSS system, when adjusted to an altitude of 15 km, will be greater than the one corresponding to an altitude of 0 km, provided that the same viewing angle is maintained from the non-GSO space station.

2 The Board noted that *resolves* 3.5 of Resolution **123 (WRC-23)** requires that, with respect to the protection of the Earth exploration-satellite (passive) service operating in the frequency band 18.6-18.8 GHz, any non-GSO FSS system with an orbital apogee of less than 20 000 km operating in the frequency bands 18.3-18.6 GHz and 18.8-19.1 GHz with which aeronautical and/or maritime ESIMs communicate and for which the complete notification information has been received by the Bureau after 1 January 2025 shall comply with the provisions indicated in Annex 3 to the Resolution. Given the fact that Resolution **123 (WRC-23)** entered into force on 1 January 2025, the Board concluded that the provision applies to any non-GSO FSS system with an orbital apogee of less than 20 000 km operating in the frequency bands 18.3-18.6 GHz and 18.8-19.1 GHz with which aeronautical and/or maritime ESIMs communicate and for which the notification information has been received by the Bureau as of, rather than only after, 1 January 2025.

3 In addition, the Board concluded that the Bureau shall examine the characteristics of aeronautical ESIMs with respect to conformity with the pfd limits at the Earth's surface specified in Part II of Annex 1 to Resolution **123 (WRC-23)** by using the methodology contained in the rule of procedure on calculation of power-flux density levels produced by aeronautical ESIMs and their validation with the limits in Annex 3 to Resolution **169 (Rev.WRC-23)**, Annex 2 to Resolution **121 (WRC-23)** and Annex 2 to Resolution **123 (WRC-23)**. The findings shall be in accordance with No. **11.31**.

4 With respect to provisions contained in Part 1 of Annex 1 and in Annex 3 to Resolution **123 (WRC-23)**, the Board further concluded that no examination shall be carried out by the Bureau. The notifying administration of the non-GSO FSS system with which the ESIMs communicate shall ensure compliance with those provisions when providing the commitment required under item A.34.a of Annex 2 to Appendix **4** to operate ESIMs in conformity with the Radio Regulations and Resolution **123 (WRC-23)**.

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 170 (Rev.WRC-23)

Additional measures for satellite networks in the fixed-satellite service in frequency bands subject to Appendix 30B for the enhancement of equitable access to those frequency bands

Attachment 1 to Resolution 170 (Rev.WRC-23)

§ 3 c)

The Board noted that WRC-23 had instructed the Bureau to align the Rules of Procedure on Resolution **170 (Rev.WRC-23)** with the decisions of the Conference related to the modifications of Appendices **30A** and **30B** (see item 15.1 of the minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting in [Document CMR23/528](#)).

Therefore, the Board decided that the Rules of Procedure concerning § 6.39 of Appendix **30B** of the Radio Regulations also applies in the case of a beam formed by combining all individual minimum ellipses for a group of named administrations, as described in § 3 c) of Attachment 1 to Resolution **170 (Rev.WRC-23)**.

Note: WRC-19 took the decision related to Resolution **170**, during the 10th Plenary, see items 12.2 to 12.4 of Doc. CMR19/571, approval of Doc. CMR19/509, see also the Rules of Procedure on Annexes 3 and 4 of Appendix **30B**), as follows:

“Instructions to the Radiocommunication Bureau in application of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19)

1 Application of the § 2 of the attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) for modification under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B of a submission previously sent to the Bureau under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B

When, under the application of § 2 of the attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19), an administration intends to modify a submission previously sent to the Bureau under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B, to resubmit such submission under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B applying the special procedure described in the Attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19), the Bureau shall verify if the minimum ellipse submitted under this procedure is within the envelope of the initial submission under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B. If this is the case, the Bureau shall keep the initial date of receipt of the initial submission under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B, shall restart compatibility examination with existing filing and shall publish a new special section. Otherwise, the Bureau shall give a new date of reception which is the date of reception of request application of this procedure.

2 Application of the § 2 of the attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) for direct submission under § 6.17 of RR Appendix 30B of a submission previously sent to the Bureau under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B

a) Submission of an ellipse under § 6.17 of RR Appendix 30B

When, under the application of § 2 of the attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19), an administration intends to directly submit under § 6.17 of RR Appendix 30B and apply the special procedure described in the Attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) to a submission previously sent to the Bureau under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B, the Bureau shall verify if the minimum ellipse submitted under this procedure is within the envelope of the initial submission under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B. If this is the case, the Bureau shall keep the initial date of receipt of the initial submission under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B and shall perform analysis under § 6.17 of Appendix 30B based on this minimum ellipse. Otherwise, the Bureau shall return the notice to the administration.

b) Submission of a shaped beam under § 6.17 of Appendix 30B

When, under the application of § 2 of the attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19), an administration intends to directly submit under § 6.17 of RR Appendix 30B and apply the special procedure described in the Attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) to a submission previously sent to the Bureau under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B, the Bureau shall verify if the shaped beam submitted under this procedure is within the envelope of the minimum ellipse generated by the Bureau, considering associated test points, and within the envelope of the initial submission under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B. If this is the case, the Bureau shall keep the initial date of receipt of the initial submission under § 6.1 of RR Appendix 30B and shall perform analysis under § 6.17 of RR Appendix 30B based on this minimum ellipse. Otherwise, the Bureau shall return the notice to the administration.

3 Beam to be created in cases of submissions of an additional system by an administration acting on behalf of a group of named administrations

For a submission of an additional system by an administration acting on behalf of a group of named administrations, the beam of the submission is formed by combining all individual minimum ellipses associated with each of the administrations of the group:

- If all individual minimum ellipses overlap with each other, the beam contains only one coverage area formed by the contours stemming from the combination of all individual minimum ellipses.*
- If not all individual minimum ellipses overlap with each other, the beam consists of multiple spots stemming from the non-overlapping ellipses and each spot is formed by the contours stemming from the combination of individual minimum ellipses that overlap with each other.*

4 *Application of the § 12 of the attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) when there is a lack of collaboration of the notifying administration of the existing network*

*When, under the application of § 12 of the attachment of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19), the Bureau does not receive confirmation from the notifying administration of the incoming network that the collaboration between the two administrations has successfully started, the notifying administration may seek assistance of the Bureau. The Bureau shall immediately send a telefax to the notifying administration of the existing network requesting it to provide within 30 days the conditions for the operation to verify harmful interference and proposed date of the implementation of those conditions within the next 4 months for the application of § 12 of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B]. In the absence of such information received by the Bureau, the Bureau shall immediately send a reminder providing an additional 15-day period for the response. In the absence of such acknowledgment within 15 days, it shall be deemed that the notifying administration of the existing network which has failed to start collaboration has undertaken that no complaint will be made in respect of any harmful interference affecting its own assignments which may be caused by the assignment of the notifying administration of the incoming network for which coordination was requested.”**

**Note by the Secretariat: The definitive number of Resolution [A7(E)-AP30B] (WRC-19) is Resolution 170 (Rev.WRC-23).*

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 559 (WRC-19)

Additional temporary regulatory measures following the deletion of part of Annex 7 to Appendix 30 (Rev.WRC-15) by WRC-19

Note: WRC-23 took the following decision on issues related to the implementation of Resolution **559 (WRC-19)**, see item 13.2 of the Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Doc. [CMR23/528](#):

*“In considering section 4.2 of the Report “Issues related to the implementation of Resolution **559 (WRC-19)**”, WRC-23 considered also Document 87(Add.26)(Add.2). In addition to endorsing all of the additional measures proposed by the Board for implementing Resolution **559 (WRC-19)**, this document contained additional proposed measures to be endorsed by this WRC to help resolve remaining coordination cases as follows:*

1 With respect to the remaining coordination cases under § 4.1.1 b) of RR Appendix 30, WRC-23 approved the following measures:

- a) the notifying administration of an additional use (i.e. assignments in the List and/or pending Article 4 networks) to accept possible interference produced to its test-points located within -3 dB antenna gain contour of the Resolution **559 (WRC-19)** submission concerned due to the fact that the ellipse is already the minimum one validated by the Bureau;*
- b) the notifying administration of an additional use (i.e. assignments in the List and/or pending Article 4 networks) to accept possible interference produced to its test-points located beyond -20 dB antenna gain contour of the Resolution **559 (WRC-19)** submission concerned;*
- c) if the equivalent protection margin (EPM) of a test-point of an additional use network is less than -10 dB at the time of examination by the Bureau of Part A of Resolution **559 (WRC-19)** submissions, that test-point should not be considered by the Bureau in reviewing the findings of the Resolution **559 (WRC-19)** submission concerned;*
- d) a coordination is deemed to be completed if the nominal orbital separation between a Resolution **559 (WRC-19)** submission and an additional use network is equal to or greater than 6 degrees.*

2 With respect to the remaining coordination cases under § 4.1.1 e) of RR Appendix 30, WRC-23 approved the following measures:

- a) a coordination is deemed to be completed if the nominal orbital separation between a Resolution **559 (WRC-19)** submission and satellite network in non-planned bands concerned is equal to or greater than 6 degrees;*

- b) *the service area of a satellite network in non-planned bands to be considered shall be on land and located within -3 dB antenna gain contour of that satellite network in non-planned bands instead of the submitted service area which may include the area with very low relative antenna gain contour. It is noted that the satellite network in non-planned bands only protects a Resolution 559 (WRC-19) submission in a service area on land and situated within its -3 dB antenna gain contour;*
- c) *if an administration agrees not to protect the area, situated inside its national territory, in which the power flux-density (pfd) limit is exceeded, that part of the service area shall not be considered by the Bureau in reviewing the remaining coordination requirements of a Resolution 559 (WRC-19) submission;*
- d) *the notifying administration of a satellite network in non-planned bands to accept possible interference produced to its service area located beyond -20 dB antenna gains contour of the Resolution 559 (WRC-19) submission concerned.*

3 *With respect to the remaining coordination cases under No. 4.1.1 b) of RR Appendix 30A, WRC-23 approved that the remaining coordination cases are deemed to be completed due to the fact that:*

- a) *the Article 4 satellite networks have very large coverage with very high receiving sensitivity over the national territory of the Resolution 559 (WRC-19) administration concerned;*
- b) *the coverage areas of those Article 4 satellite networks extend far beyond the national territory of the notifying administrations whereas feeder-link earth stations of the Resolution 559 (WRC-19) submission concerned are only located inside the national territory and that cannot be further reduced;*
- c) *the objective of Resolution 2 (Rev.WRC-03) and Topic F of WRC-23 Agenda Item 7.*

4 *With respect to the remaining coordination cases under RR No. 4.1.1 a) of Appendices 30 and 30A, WRC-23 approved the following measures:*

- a) *for multi-beam Plan assignments, if downlink single-entry C/I values are above 21 dB except for one test-point where single-entry C/I is greater than 18 dB, Resolution 559 (WRC-19) submissions and the corresponding Regions 1 and 3 Plan frequency assignments are considered compatible. In order to preserve the same level of protection for such compatible cases of those Regions 1 and 3 Plan frequency assignments from incoming Article 4 submissions, the reference situation of those Regions 1 and 3 Plan frequency assignments shall not be updated when the Resolution 559 (WRC-19) frequency assignments in the List are included in the Plans;*

- b) *for multi-beam Plan assignments, if feeder-link single-entry C/I values are above 27 dB, Resolution 559 (WRC-19) submissions and the corresponding Regions 1 and 3 Plan frequency assignments are considered compatible. In order to preserve the same level of protection for such compatible cases of those Regions 1 and 3 Plan frequency assignments from incoming Article 4 submissions, the reference situation of those Regions 1 and 3 Plan frequency assignments shall not be updated when the Resolution 559 (WRC-19) frequency assignments in the List are included in the Plans.*

5 *The Bureau is instructed to:*

- a) *review the status of all the remaining coordination cases taking into account all the above-mentioned proposals including those of the RRB and BR. In this connection, for the remaining coordination cases under RR No. 4.1.1 b) of Appendix 30, if after taking into account all the above-mentioned proposals, there is only one remaining test-point potentially affected, the coordination is deemed to be completed in respect of affected assignments entered in the List on or after 1 January 2017;*
- b) *apply all the measures endorsed by WRC-23 to the Resolution 559 (WRC-19) submissions of the Administrations of AFG, GNE, MLT and SEY and to the future applications of § RR Nos. 4.1.26 or 4.1.27 of Article 4 of Appendices 30 and 30A, which have the same nature as Resolution 559 (WRC-19).”*
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Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 678 (WRC-23)

Use of the frequency band 14.8-15.35 GHz by the space research service (space-to-space) (Earth-to-space) (space-to-Earth) and associated transitional measures

1 For the Bureau to be able to examine compliance with the power flux-density (pfd) level contained in *resolves* 1.1 of Resolution **678 (WRC-23)**, the Board decided that a commitment not to exceed the pfd level of $-156 \text{ dB(W/m}^2\text{)}$ for more than 2% of the time in a 50 MHz bandwidth in the frequency band 15.35-15.4 GHz, at any radio astronomy site observing in the frequency band 15.35-15.4 GHz, is required when notifying earth stations operating in the space research service in the frequency band 14.8-15.35 GHz.

2 In *resolves* 1.5, three pfd limits on the Earth's surface are listed as applicable to space stations in the space research service in the frequency band 14.8-15.35 GHz. The pfd limit of $-145.6 \text{ dB(W/(m}^2 \cdot \text{MHz))}$ produced at any point on the Earth's surface and not to be exceeded for more than 1% of time within a 24-hour period is applicable to space-to-space links. The Board decided that the Bureau should apply the following methodology in order to establish findings under No. **11.31** related to this pfd limit.

2.1 Direction of transmission

A finding shall be established only for frequency assignments in the satellite transmitting beams. In the case of a receiving beam when transmission is carried out by an associated space station, the finding shall be established for the frequency assignments of this associated space station.

2.2 Case where both space stations are using the geostationary-satellite orbit

The pfd level is calculated using static geometry. The pfd limit is considered as having been exceeded if the pfd level of $-145.6 \text{ dB(W/(m}^2 \cdot \text{MHz))}$ is exceeded at any point of the Earth's surface.

2.3 Case where any of the space stations is using a non-geostationary-satellite orbit

The pfd level is calculated at each grid point on the Earth's surface through a dynamic simulation over a sufficient simulation running time. For each time step, a space-to-space link is established using the two closest space stations.

To identify whether the pfd limit has been exceeded, the worst 24-hour period (i.e. having the maximum number of events exceeding the value of $-145.6 \text{ dB(W/(m}^2 \cdot \text{MHz))}$ at any grid point) is considered.

2.4 Space station radiation antenna patterns

Administrations submitting a notice for frequency assignments to a space station in the space research service in the frequency band 14.8-15.35 GHz shall either indicate a standard space station antenna radiation pattern or capture a non-standard antenna pattern in the Graphical Interference Management Software (GIMS).

2.5 Status of the notification of the associated space station

In cases where a notice for frequency assignments to a space station in the space research service in the frequency band 14.8-15.35 GHz is submitted for coordination, but the notice for frequency assignments to the associated space station in the non-geostationary satellite orbit has not yet been communicated to the Bureau, the Bureau shall establish a qualified favourable finding that shall be reviewed at the notification stage.

In cases where a notice for frequency assignments to a space station in the space research service in the frequency band 14.8-15.35 GHz is submitted for notification, but the notice for frequency assignments to the associated space station for advance publication, coordination as appropriate, has not yet been received, the notice for notification referred to above is considered non-receivable (see § 4.3.3 of the rules on receivability).

Rules concerning

RESOLUTION 750 (Rev.WRC-19)

Note: WRC-19 took the decision related to Resolution **750**, during the 8th Plenary, see items 3.19 to 3.21 of Document CMR19/569, approval of Doc. CMR19/471, as follows:

“In interpreting Resolution 750 (Rev.WRC-15), resolves 1 and Table 1-1 of this resolution referred to mandatory limits while resolves 2 and Table 1-2 of this resolution referred to non-mandatory limits.”

Noting that WRC-19 revised Resolution 750 but that the only modifications made to *resolves* 1 and 2 were related to the numbering of the two Tables, the Board concluded that the interpretation provided above also applied to Resolution **750 (Rev. WRC-19)**.

PART A2

Rules concerning the Regional Agreement for the European Broadcasting Area concerning the use of frequencies by the broadcasting service in the VHF and UHF bands (Stockholm, 1961) (ST61)

1 Scope of the Agreement

Following the revisions of the ST61 Agreement, carried out in 1985 and 2006, and in accordance with the Table of Frequency Allocations contained in Article 5 of the Radio Regulations (RR) (Edition of 2004), the ST61 Agreement governs, as from 17 June 2006, the use of the following frequency bands by the broadcasting service within the European Broadcasting Area:

- 47-68 MHz (sound broadcasting and television);
- 87.5-100 MHz (television), and
- 162-170 MHz (television).

2 Receivability of notices

In the application of the Regional Agreement for the European Broadcasting Area concerning the use of frequencies by the broadcasting service in the VHF and UHF bands (Stockholm, 1961), the Bureau will apply the procedures contained in Articles 4 and 5 of the Agreement and associated technical criteria with respect to the notices received from all administrations having territories in the European Broadcasting Area, as defined in No. 5.14 of the RR, provided that the station concerned is situated within the planning area.

Art. 2

Execution of the Agreement

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1 In the examination for conformity with the Agreement, a notice is considered to be in conformity with the Agreement either when the notified characteristics are the same as in the Plan or, where they are different, when they do not increase the probability of interference in any azimuth above that resulting from the entry in the Plan.

2 An assignment in the Plan may contain, in addition to the maximum effective radiated power (e.r.p.),

- an azimuth of maximum radiation,
- in some cases, reduced e.r.p. in one or more azimuths or one or more sectors.

3 The notified radiation characteristics are considered to be in conformity with the Plan if the e.r.p. in any azimuth is equal to or lower than the ones derived from the Plan by a combination of maximum e.r.p. and reduced e.r.p. in azimuths or sectors.

4 When an assignment, notified under Article 11 of the RR with an azimuth of maximum radiation different from the one in the Plan, satisfies the condition indicated in § 3 above, its radiation characteristics are considered to be in conformity with the Plan.

5 When a notice is received, for modification under Article 4 of the Agreement or for notification under Article 5, the relevant coordination distances of the Agreement shall be equally applied to analogue and digital systems. An appropriate symbol shall be used to identify the television standard.

Art. 4

Changes in the Characteristics of Stations covered by the Agreement

1.3

When an administration, in application of §§ 1.3 and 2.1.4 of Article 4 of the Agreement, does not communicate to the Bureau the final characteristics of the assignment, after a period of two years and 12 weeks from the date of its publication in Part A of a Special Section ST61, the modification shall lapse and be returned to the notifying administration. A reminder will be sent by the Bureau to the notifying administration two months before the end of this two years and 12 weeks period and returning the modification.

The administration may resubmit the assignment and follow the full procedure of Article 4 of the Agreement. The date at which the resubmission has been received by the Bureau will be considered as the new date of receipt of the proposed modification.

PART A3

Rules concerning the Regional Agreement concerning the use by the broadcasting service of frequencies in the medium frequency bands in Regions 1 and 3 and in the low frequency bands in Region 1 (Geneva, 1975) (GE75)

Art. 4

Procedure for modifications to the Plan

3.2.12

If the delay between the publication in Part A and the publication in Part B is too long, other modifications to the Plan are likely to be introduced in the meantime, which could not be taken into account at the time of examination.

When an administration, in application of § 3.2.12 of the Agreement, communicates to the Radiocommunication Bureau the final characteristics of the assignment, after a period of one year from its publication in Part A of a Special Section GE75, the modification shall follow again the full procedure of Article 4. The date at which the communication has been received by the Bureau will be considered as the new date of receipt of the proposed modification. A reminder is sent to the notifying administration two months before the end of the one-year period.

3.3.1

In the application of § 3.3 of Article 4, the agreement of another country is not necessary when the modification of the characteristics of an assignment would not increase the probability of interference at any point on the border of this country, within the coordination distance.

An. 1

**Plan for the assignment of frequencies to broadcasting stations
in the medium frequency band (other than to stations using
low-power channels) in Regions 1 and 3 and in
the low frequency bands in Region 1**

Explanation of symbols 24 and 33 used in the “Remarks” column

The Board noted that symbols 24 and 33 apply only to assignments in the Plan, but concluded that their texts define relations between Israel on one hand and the countries listed in symbol 33 on the other hand and should therefore apply not only to modifications of the assignments of these countries appearing in the Plan, but also to any new assignments which may be subject to the modification procedure.

The Board therefore decided that any new assignment or any modification to an existing assignment in the Plan communicated to the Bureau by the Administration of Israel or an Administration of one of the following countries:

Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Qatar, Sudan, Tunisia, Yemen shall be treated as follows:

- For an assignment of Israel, if the country (countries) objecting to the modification is (are) one (or more) of the countries listed above, and it is (they are) the only country (countries) whose objection prevents the completion of the procedure for modification, the comments are communicated to the Administration of Israel and are not taken into account for updating the Plan. The same procedure applies to an assignment of one of the countries listed, if the only objecting Administration is that of Israel.

- In such a case, when the notification is received, the provisions of Article 11 are applied.

An. 2

**Technical data used in the preparation of the Plan and to be used
in the application of the Agreement**

CHAPTER 1

Definitions

Low-power channel (LPC)

Channel used by medium frequency broadcasting stations employing a maximum e.m.r.p. of 1 kW (c.m.f. of 300 V) for analogue modulation or 0.22 kW (c.m.f. of 140 V) for digital modulation.

4.1

Chapter 4 of Annex 2 gives the broadcasting standards applicable to the Agreement. In particular:

4.1 *Class of emission:* The Plan is established for a system with double sideband amplitude modulation with full carrier (A3E).

4.2 *Power:* The power of a transmitter is the carrier power in the absence of modulation.

4.3 *Radiated power:* The radiated power is assumed to be the product of the nominal power of the transmitter and the gain of the antenna (relative to a short vertical antenna) without taking into account any losses¹. It is expressed either by the cymomotive force (c.m.f. in V or in dB relative to 300 V) or by the effective monopole radiated power (e.m.r.p. in kW or in dB relative to 1 kW).

4.4 *Protection ratios:* In applying the Agreement, the values of the co-channel and adjacent channel protection ratios given below should be used unless otherwise agreed between the administrations concerned. In the case of fluctuating wanted or unwanted signals, the values of the protection ratio apply for at least 50% of the nights of the year at midnight.

¹ Not reproduced here.

However, Resolution 8 of the Regional Administrative Conference (Regions 1 and 3) for drawing up frequency assignment plans for LF and MF broadcasting (Geneva, 1975) states:

“1 that broadcasting stations may provisionally use bandwidth saving modulation methods on condition that interference in the same or adjacent channels concerned does not exceed the interference resulting from the application of double sideband modulation with full carrier (A3E);

2 that any administration which envisages using these methods of emission shall seek the agreement of all affected administrations by following the procedure specified in Article 4 of the Agreement.”.

After consideration of the relevant ITU-R studies, the Board decided that an analogue modulated frequency assignment in the Plan may be notified to be recorded in the Master International Frequency Register (MIFR) with digital modulation (transmission system Digital Radio Mondiale², robustness mode³ A or B and spectrum occupancy type 2), provided the radiation is reduced by at least 6.6 dB in all directions, compared to the radiation of the analogue frequency assignment in the Plan.

The power of the transmitter to be notified in case of digital modulation shall be the total power within the necessary bandwidth.

The Board further decided that in the application of Article 4 of the Agreement the protection ratios between analogue and digital assignments (transmission system Digital Radio Mondiale, robustness mode A or B and spectrum occupancy type 2) and between digital and digital assignments in Part B Section B7 shall be used.

In order to enable the determination of the relevant protection ratios and the minimum value of field strength, according to Section B7, which are necessary for the identification of potentially affected administrations according to paragraph 3.2.5 of the GE75 Agreement, the Board also decided to introduce data items Modulation Scheme and Average Code Rate as mandatory for submission of Plan modification proposals concerning digital assignments using notice form T03.

This Rule of Procedure is of a provisional nature until such time that it is confirmed by a competent conference empowered to deal with the subject matter.

² The Digital Radio Mondiale system is described in Recommendation ITU-R BS.1514-2.

³ The DRM robustness modes and spectrum occupancy types are defined in ETSI Standard ES 201 980 "Digital Radio Mondiale (DRM); System Specification" Version 3.1.1 and further detailed in Recommendation ITU-R BS.1615-2.

4.5

4.5 *Minimum Value of Field Strength*

4.5.1 The following minimum values of field strength necessary to overcome natural noise (at 1 MHz) for frequency assignments using analogue modulation in the three zones A, B and C have been adopted:

Zone A: + 60 dB/1 μ Vm

Zone B: + 70 dB/1 μ Vm

Zone C: + 63 dB/1 μ Vm

For frequency assignments using digital modulation the minimum values of field-strength in Part B Section B7 shall be used.

4.8.3

4.8.3 In the application of Article 4 (paragraph 3.3.1) of the Agreement, the table reproduced below will be used:

c.m.f. (V)		e.m.r.p. (kW)		Limiting distance (km)
Analogue modulation	Digital modulation	Analogue modulation	Digital modulation	
300	140	1.0	0.22	600
260	122	0.75	0.16	500
212	99	0.5	0.11	400
150	70	0.25	0.055	200, 300*
95	44	0.1	0.022	70, 250*
67	31	0.05	0.011	50, 200*

* Values for a propagation path over sea.

NOTE – The corresponding coordination distances for frequency assignments using digital modulation were obtained by reducing the e.m.r.p. by 6.6 dB, which represents the worst-case increase in protection ratios for the cases of assignments using digital modulation interfering with assignments using analogue modulation compared with the cases of assignments using analogue modulation interfering mutually.

In the case of a mixed path (partially land and partially sea), the limiting distance shall be calculated in the following way:

$$\text{Limiting distance} = \frac{(V_l \times D_l) + (V_s \times D_s)}{D_l + D_s}$$

in which:

D_l : total path length over land (km)

D_s : total path length over sea (km)

V_l : limiting distance (km) path over land obtained from the Table in § 4.8.3 of Annex 2 to the Agreement

V_s : limiting distance (km) path over sea obtained from the Table in § 4.8.3 of Annex 2 to the Agreement.

Res. 8

Resolution 8 of the Regional Administrative Conference (Regions 1 and 3) for drawing up frequency assignment plans for LF and HF broadcasting (Geneva, 1975) states:

“1 that broadcasting stations may provisionally use bandwidth saving modulation methods on condition that interference in the same or adjacent channels concerned does not exceed the interference resulting from the application of double sideband modulation with full carrier (A3E);

2 that any administration which envisages using these methods of emission shall seek the agreement of all affected administrations by following the procedure specified in Article 4 of the Agreement.”.

After consideration of the relevant ITU-R studies, the Board decided that any frequency assignment for AM broadcasting in the Plan may provisionally be used with digital modulation (transmission types DRM A2 or B2), provided the radiation is reduced by at least 7 dB in all directions, compared to the radiation of the AM modulated frequency assignment in the Plan.

Therefore, when examining the conformity to the GE75 Plan of a notice received under Article 11 of the Radio Regulations, the Bureau shall accept such a notice as being in conformity to the Plan.

This Rule of Procedure is of a provisional nature until such time that it is confirmed by a competent conference empowered to deal with the subject matter.

PART A4

Rules concerning the Regional Agreement for the use of the band 535 to 1 605 kHz in Region 2 by the broadcasting service (Rio de Janeiro, 1981) (RJ81)

Art. 3

3.1

For the application of this Agreement Region 2 countries are divided into three groups:

Group A: Countries which signed the Final Acts of the Conference or acceded to the Regional Agreement.

Group B: Countries which are not party to the Agreement but have communicated to the Board the undertaking to observe the provisions of Resolutions 2, 3 and 4. As of today, these countries are BOL, BRB, DMA, GTM, HND, HTI, LCA, SLV and SUR.

Group C: Countries which are not party to the Agreement. These countries are CUB and DOM.

Art. 4

4.2.8 and 4.2.9

1 Paragraphs 4.2.8 and 4.2.9 of the Agreement specify the examination to be made as between a proposed modification and pending modifications. In accordance with § 4.2.9, the examination to determine the effect of a proposed modification on pending modifications, and vice versa, is limited to modifications which have been pending for not more than 180 days counted from the date any such modification was received by the Bureau. As soon as this 180-day period is over, a pending modification is no longer taken into account for mutual protection with respect to a new proposed modification. This means that a request for entry in the Plan of a proposed modification which has been pending for more than 180 days shall necessarily have to be examined for eventual objectionable interference to the assignments which may in the meantime have entered the Plan as a result of successful application of the Article 4 procedure.

2 The Board has therefore decided that when an administration, in application of § 4.2.18 of the Agreement, communicates to the Bureau the final characteristics of the assignment, after 180 days of its publication in Part A of a Special Section RJ81, the modification shall follow again the full procedure of Article 4. The date at which the communication has been received by the Bureau will be considered the new date of receipt of the proposed modification.

3 In counting 180 days from the date of publication in Part A of a Special Section RJ81, instead of from the date of receipt of the proposed modification by the Bureau, the intent is to eliminate the effect of the time lag before the proposed modification is published in accordance with § 4.2.5 of the Agreement.

4.6

1 In accordance with § 4.6 of the Agreement and its sub-paragraphs, when an assignment which has been in the Plan for four years has not been brought into service, the Bureau will consult the administration concerned with regard to the advisability of cancellation of the assignment. Paragraph 4.6.3 describes the procedure followed by the Bureau in the application of the provisions of the Agreement relating to assignments recorded in the Plan but not brought into service.

2 The determination whether an assignment is in operation is made for each entry (day or night) by examining the Master Register and comparing the recorded assignments with the assignment in the Plan, with the following criteria:

- same frequency,
- same country code,
- same operating period and
- location within the tolerances of § 4.2.14 of the Agreement.

If an entry corresponding to the above conditions is found in the Master Register, the entry in the Plan is considered to be in operation. In the other cases, the entry is considered to be not in operation.

4.6.3

1 The four-year period and the allowed extension of one year, mentioned in § 4.6.1 and 4.6.2 of the Agreement, are counted from the date of entry of an assignment in the Plan. In the case of a change in a basic characteristic of a frequency assignment already in the Plan, the date of entry in the Plan is the date shown for the modified characteristics in Part B of the corresponding Special Section RJ81.

2 The request for reinstatement of the assignment, and deletion of the symbol mentioned in § 4.6.3 of the Agreement, shall reach the Bureau not earlier than three months before the intended date of bringing it into service. This is based on the consideration that a request for the removal of the symbol is conditional upon bringing the assignment into service. An analogy with provision of No. **11.24** of the Radio Regulations, therefore, is in order. Any request received earlier than this period shall be kept in abeyance until the above-stated time limit, and the administration concerned shall be informed accordingly.

3 When the three-month condition is satisfied, the assignment concerned shall be examined from the point of view of objectionable interference caused to stations entered in the Plan from the date of suspension of the assignment. The stations “*entered in the Plan*” comprise the new stations introduced in the Plan, as well as modifications in characteristics of the stations already existing in the Plan.

4 If the examination shows that no objectionable interference will be caused to the stations concerned, the suspended assignment shall be reinstated and the corresponding symbol in the Plan shall be removed. Appropriate publication shall be made in a Special Section RJ81.

5 In view of the fact that the date of bringing it into service is known, the reinstated assignment shall be examined under Article **11** of the Radio Regulations for entry in the Master Register. The administration concerned shall, in accordance with the Radio Regulations, confirm the bringing of the assignment into use. In the absence of this confirmation, the symbol mentioned in § 4.6.3 of the Agreement, shall be reinserted leading to the re-suspension of the assignment.

6 At the time of publication of the Special Section mentioned in § 4 above, the administration shall be requested to notify the assignment in accordance with Article **11** and shall be reminded of the action that will be taken in accordance with § 5 above. The examination under Article **11** (§ 5 above), however, shall be carried out without waiting for the receipt of the notice.

7 When an administration makes known its intention to change the characteristics of a suspended assignment, other than under § 4.6.4 of the Agreement, the request shall be understood as indicating the decision of the administration to abandon the suspended assignment. The proposed modification, therefore, shall be examined as a request for the introduction of a new assignment into the Plan. The corresponding suspended assignment shall be deleted from the Plan forthwith without waiting for the completion or result of the modification procedure.

8 Paragraph 4.6.3 of the Agreement states that the assignment with the symbol (i.e. the suspended assignment) shall be disregarded in the future modifications to the Plan. As a suspended assignment can be reinstated under § 4.6.4 of the Agreement, it cannot be considered as having been removed from the Plan. Therefore, the suspended assignments shall not be disregarded in the transfer of assignments from List B to List A.

9 Section 4.6 of the Agreement does not prescribe any time limit for the maintenance of the suspended assignments in the Plan. However, the indefinite retention in the Plan of the suspended assignments can lead to complication in the establishment of the reference situation against which an interference may be judged objectionable, as well as in the resolution of problems under Resolution 2 of the Conference. The Board has decided that any suspended assignment for which reinstatement, under § 4.6.4 of the Agreement, is not initiated within one year of suspension shall be removed from the Plan.

Res. 2

1 The transfer of an assignment from List B to List A is dependent upon the resolution of incompatibilities which had resulted, initially, in its entry in List B. Resolution 2 of the Regional Administrative MF Broadcasting Conference (Region 2) (Rio de Janeiro, 1981), prescribes the procedure for the resolution of these incompatibilities. Under this procedure, the administrations with assignments in List B shall continue negotiations and find solutions to unresolved incompatibilities as soon as possible.

2 It is possible that when the procedure for modifications to the Plan, Article 4 of the Regional Agreement, has been successfully applied, the characteristics of a List B assignment may be so modified as to justify its transfer to List A. There is, therefore, a need for a procedure that should be applied to any List B assignment whose characteristics have been changed under Article 4 of the Regional Agreement to determine its eligibility for transfer to List A. The Board has established the following procedure for this purpose. This procedure is separate from, and in addition to, that of Resolution 2 of the Conference.

3 In applying the Article 4 procedure to the proposed change in the characteristics of a List B assignment, no aspects relating to its possible transfer to List A shall be considered. Its possible transfer from List B to List A will be considered as soon as the Article 4 procedure is completed.

4 Immediately following the completion of the Article 4 procedure, each assignment (with changed characteristics) shall be examined to assess the effect of changed characteristics with a view to possibly transferring the assignments from List B to List A. This examination may show an increase or a decrease in its nuisance field in relation to the other List B assignment(s) concerned.

5 Increase in the nuisance field

5.1 The Part A of the Special Section RJ81 in which the above change was published would have also contained the names of administrations whose assignments in List B were adversely affected. The fact that the assignment with changed characteristics has been able to enter the Plan indicates that agreement has been reached with, among others, the administrations responsible for the affected List B assignments on the interference caused to them. If the modified assignment was, initially, in List B only because its interference caused being unacceptable, it shall now be transferred to List A if the agreement for all the List B assignments concerned has been obtained through the Article 4 procedure. If, in addition to the unaccepted interference caused, there was also unaccepted interference received, the administration concerned shall be consulted before the assignment is transferred to List A.

6 Decrease in the nuisance field

6.1 The modified assignment shall be examined to determine the improvement to all the List B assignments to which it caused unaccepted interference in the Plan of 1 January 1982. If this examination shows that, with the now modified characteristics, the List B assignments would not have been considered affected on 1 January 1982, the modified assignment shall be transferred to List A after consultation concerning received interference if necessary.

6.2 Where the above examination leads to an unfavourable conclusion, the contribution of interference by the modified assignment shall be examined in the light of the general interference situation of the stations in the Plan of the country with affected List B assignments. The result of this review will determine whether the administrations concerned should be advised by the Bureau to consider accepting the level of incompatibility.

7 Other List B assignments

7.1 When a List B assignment with changed characteristics is transferred to List A, the situation of other related List B assignments shall be examined for the Form B status and the administrations concerned shall be consulted where further transfers appear to be feasible.

7.2 For the purpose of transfers from List B to List A, the reference situation for examining the transfer will be as on 1 January 1982 after the correction procedure in Annex 1 to Resolution 2 of the Conference has been applied. Any interfering field which was earlier masked by a higher interference shall not be taken into account in considering the possible transfer from List B to List A.

8 Publication

8.1 All transfers to List A, under the above procedure, shall be published in the Special Section RJ81.

PART A5

Rules concerning the Regional Agreement relating to the use of the band 87.5-108 MHz for FM sound broadcasting (Geneva, 1984) (GE84)

1 Receivability of notices

In the application of the Regional Agreement relating to the use of the band 87.5-108 MHz for FM sound broadcasting (Geneva, 1984), the Bureau will apply the procedures contained in Articles 4, 5 and 7 of the Agreement and associated technical criteria with respect to the notices received from all administrations having territories in the planning area (all administrations in Region 1, the Islamic Republic of Iran, and Afghanistan), with the exception of the Administration of Iceland, provided that the station concerned is situated within the planning area.

Art. 4

Procedure for modifications to the Plan

4.6.1

When an administration, in application of § 4.6.1 of the Agreement, does not communicate to the Bureau the final characteristics of the assignment, after a period of two years and 100 days from the date of its publication in Part A of a Special Section GE84, the modification shall lapse and be returned to the notifying administration. A reminder will be sent by the Bureau to the notifying administration two months before the end of this two years and 100 days period and returning the modification.

The administration may resubmit the assignment and follow the full procedure of Article 4 of the Agreement. The date at which the resubmission has been received by the Bureau will be considered as the new date of receipt of the proposed modification.

PART A6

Rules concerning the Regional Agreement relating to the planning of VHF/UHF television broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and neighbouring countries (Geneva, 1989) (GE89)

1 Scope of the Agreement

1.1 Following the revision of the GE89 Agreement, carried out in 2006 by the RRC-06-Rev.GE89, and in accordance with the Table of Frequency Allocations contained in Article 5 of the Radio Regulations (RR) (Edition of 2004), the GE89 Agreement governs, as from 17 June 2006, the use of the frequency band 47–68 MHz, by the television broadcasting service and by other primary terrestrial services which have allocations in this band (see also § 4 hereunder), within the planning area of this Agreement (the African Broadcasting Area as defined in Nos. 5.10 to 5.13 of the RR (Edition of 2004) and the following neighbouring countries: Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, United Arab Emirates, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Yemen (including those parts of Yemen that are situated outside of the African Broadcasting Area)).

1.2 The Plan annexed to the GE89 Agreement also contains those frequency assignments to television broadcasting stations, in the bands 230-238 MHz and 246-254 MHz, from the Member States listed in No. 5.252 of the RR, for which the procedure No. 9.21 of the RR was successfully completed.

2 Receivability of notices

In the application of the Regional Agreement relating to the planning of VHF/UHF television broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and neighbouring countries (Geneva, 1989), the Bureau will apply the procedures contained in Articles 4 and 5 of the Agreement and associated technical criteria with respect to the notices from all administrations having territories in the planning area (i.e. all administrations having territories within the African Broadcasting Area as defined in Nos. 5.10 to 5.13 of the RR and those administrations neighbouring the African Broadcasting Area as listed in § 1.8 of Article 1 of the GE89 Agreement), provided that the station concerned is situated within the planning area.

3 Execution of the Agreement

When a notice is received for a modification under Article 4 of the Agreement, the relevant coordination distances shall equally be applied to analogue and digital systems. An appropriate symbol shall be used to identify the television standard. Calculations requested in application of § 4.3.8 and 4.3.13 of the Agreement shall, where possible, be made using the most recent ITU-R Recommendation.

4 Examination of notices related to the non-planned services in the bands governed by the Regional Agreement GE89

4.1 Section 5.2 of Article 5 of the GE89 Agreement specifies the procedure to be followed for the examination of the notices related to the non-planned primary services in the bands governed by the Agreement. The bands and the services concerned are summarized in the Table below.

TABLE

Frequency band (MHz)	Services and countries within the planning area	Provisions	Notes
47-68	FIXED: AFS, AGL, BOT, CME, COD, COG, IRN, LSO, MDG, MLI, MOZ, MWI, NGR, NMB, RRW, SOM, SDN, SSD, SWZ, TCD, TZA, ZMB, ZWE	5.165 5.167 5.171	1
	MOBILE (except AER): AFS, AGL, BOT, CME, COD, COG, LSO, MDG, MLI, MOZ, MWI, NGR, NMB, RRW, SOM, SDN, SSD, SWZ, TCD, TZA, ZMB, ZWE	5.165 5.171	1
	MOBILE: IRN	5.167	
230-238	FIXED: from all parties to the Agreement (excepting those referred to in No. 5.252)		2
	MOBILE: from all parties to the Agreement (excepting those referred to in No. 5.252)		2
	AERONAUTICAL RADIONAVIGATION: ARS, BHR, IRN, OMA, QAT, UAE	5.247	3
246-254	FIXED: from all parties to the Agreement (excepting those referred to in No. 5.252)		2
	MOBILE: from all parties to the Agreement (excepting those referred to in No. 5.252)		

NOTE 1 – The additional allocations to countries referred to in No. **5.171** are limited to the band 54-68 MHz.

NOTE 2 – In the frequency bands 230-238 MHz and 246-254 MHz, in the examinations under § 5.2 of the Agreement, account is taken of only those frequency assignments in the broadcasting service which are entered into the Plan following a successful application of the procedure referred to in No. **9.21**, as required by Resolution 1 (GE89) and No. **5.252**.

NOTE 3 – As the additional allocation to countries referred to in No. **5.247** is limited to the band 223-235 MHz, the procedure of § 5.2 of Article 5 of the GE89 Agreement applies in the band 230-235 MHz only.

4.2 The frequency assignment notices related to the aeronautical radionavigation service of Nigeria, whose allocation is governed by No. **5.251**, shall not be subject to the examinations referred to in § 5.2 of Article 5 of the Agreement, since these notices are subject to the application of the procedure of No. **9.21**.

4.3 The frequency assignment notices related to land mobile service from countries referred to in No. **5.164** shall not be subject to the examinations requested by § 5.2 of Article 5 of the Agreement, since their allocation is subject to not causing harmful interference to, or claiming protection from, the broadcasting service. Consequently they will be recorded in the Master Register under the conditions of No. **5.43** vis-à-vis the broadcasting service (Symbol R in Column 13B2).

PART A7

Rules concerning Resolution 1 of the RJ88 Conference and Article 6 of the RJ88 Agreement

1 Application of Resolution 1 (RJ88)

1.1 Under the terms of this Resolution, the ex-IFRB was requested to assess the interference caused to the allotments appearing in the broadcasting Plan by assignments to the fixed and mobile services in the band 1 625-1 705 kHz notified before 1 July 1990, the date of entry into force of the Final Acts of the RJ88 Conference (see § 2 of *resolves to request the IFRB*). The Resolution also requested the ex-IFRB to review the finding of any assignment, recorded in the Master Register, of the fixed or mobile service which is incompatible with the broadcasting Plan and to enter a remark in an appropriate column of the Master Register to indicate that this finding will be reviewed again when a broadcasting station of the allotment which is at the origin of the unfavourable finding is brought into use (see § 3 of *resolves to request the IFRB*).

1.2 In terms of this Resolution and when an assignment of the fixed or mobile service is incompatible and consequently the Finding is unfavourable vis-à-vis an allotment in the broadcasting Plan, the procedure of No. 1255 of the Radio Regulations (edition of 1990, revised in 1994) were to be applied to the assignment concerned of the fixed or mobile service with the provision that the two-month period specified in that procedure shall start from the date of bringing into use of the station of the broadcasting service in conformity with the allotment concerned (see § 4 of *resolves to request the IFRB*).

1.3 The Board noted the provisions of No. 5.89 which refer to the examination of frequency assignments to stations of the fixed and mobile services in the band 1 625-1 705 kHz, requiring to take account of the allotments appearing in the Plan (RJ88).

1.4 Against this background, the Board decided to use the following approach in application of Resolution 1 (RJ88):

1.4.1 in application of § 3 of the Resolution, an incompatibility of an assignment of the fixed or mobile service vis-à-vis an allotment in the Plan was indicated by Symbol H in Column 13B2, and a Symbol X/RS1(RJ88)/---- (symbol of the country whose allotment is likely to be affected) in Column 11;

1.4.2 when an assignment corresponding to the allotment concerned in the broadcasting Plan is brought into use, and if, during the period of two months mentioned in § 4 b) of Resolution 1 (RJ88), the Bureau receives information that harmful interference has occurred, the Bureau shall review the Finding of the assignment to the fixed or mobile station. In so doing, it shall replace the earlier finding indicated in § 1.4.1 above by inserting Symbol N in Column 13A2, Symbol Y in Column 13B2 and symbol X/RS1(RJ88) in Column 13B1; the symbols mentioned in § 1.4.1 above will be deleted;

1.4.3 however, if the Bureau does not receive information that harmful interference has occurred during the two-month period, the Finding of the assignment to the fixed or mobile station mentioned in § 1.4.1 above shall be retained.

2 Application of Article 6 of the RJ88 Agreement

2.1 Application of § 1 to 6 of Article 6 do not present any problem and they shall be applied as indicated in Article 6.

2.2 If the administration resubmits the notice in accordance with § 7 of Article 6, the Bureau shall record it provisionally, pending the notification of a broadcasting station in the area of the allotment at the origin of unfavourable Finding.

2.3 The Bureau shall review the recording when it is advised that a broadcasting station is brought into use in the area of the allotment at the origin of the unfavourable Finding.

2.4 If no interference to the broadcasting station is reported during the two-month period the provisional recording shall be maintained without change.

2.5 If interference to the broadcasting station is reported during the two-month period the provisional recording shall be cancelled and the notice shall be returned to the administration.

PART A8

Rules concerning the Regional Agreement concerning the MF maritime mobile and aeronautical radionavigation services (Region 1) (Geneva, 1985) (GE85-MM-R1)

1 Status of the administrations with respect to the Agreement

1.1 In the transitional period between the establishment of the Agreement (13 March 1985) and its entry into force (1 April 1992), and after consultation with the administrations of the Region 1 countries, the Board introduced and used the concept of “*parties to the Agreement*” for the purposes of the application of the procedures and associated technical criteria set up in Articles 4, 5 and 6 of the GE85-MM-R1 Agreement for the modifications to the Plan and for notifications, examination and recording of frequency assignment notices to stations in the planned (maritime mobile and aeronautical radionavigation) or non-planned (fixed and land mobile) services. “*Parties to the GE85-MM-R1 Agreement*” were considered to be all administrations having territories in the planning area (i.e. in Region 1) that were not opposed to this concept. Non-parties to the Agreement were those administrations that declared formally that they did not wish to be considered “*parties to the Agreement*”, as well as non-participating administrations without Plan assignments that had not declared formally that they intended to become “*parties to the Agreement*”.

1.2 After the entry into force of the Agreement, and pending further consultation with the administrations concerned, the Board decided to maintain this concept. Therefore, the Bureau will consider parties to the GE85-MM-R1 Agreement all administrations having territories in Region 1, with the exception of the following administrations: AND, BFA, CAF, GNB, LSO, LUX, MLI, MNG, MWI, NGR, RRW, SWZ, TZA, UGA, ZMB and ZWE, which are considered non-parties to the Agreement, until such a time as they accede formally to the Agreement.

2 Treatment of the notices intended for modifications to the Plans governed by the GE85-MM-R1 Agreement

2.1 Modifications to the Plans shall be considered receivable from all administrations which are considered parties to the Agreement (see § 1.2 above).

2.2 The treatment of notices intended for modifications to the frequency assignment Plans shall follow the procedures contained in Article 4 of the Agreement.

2.3 The technical principles to be used in the procedure for the modifications of the frequency assignment Plans shall be those contained in Annexes 3, 4 and 5 to the GE85-MM-R1 Agreement. The computer program used as that used at RARC-MM-R1 shall be used for this purpose, suitably modified to take account of the digitized coastlines.

2.4 The following items will be checked in order to determine conformity with the technical principles of the Agreement:

2.4.1 conformity of the assigned frequency (frequency pair) with the appropriate channelling arrangement (checks shall be performed with respect to Tables 1 to 4 of Annex 3 to the GE85-MM-R1 Agreement);

2.4.2 conformity of the notified class of emission with the permissible class of emission. The following classes of emission, and the following bandwidths are considered receivable:

- *for AL stations:* 100HA1A, 850HA2A and 2K14A2A; however, the limitations set forth in Table 4 of Annex 3 to the Agreement, for some channels, shall also be taken into account;
- *for FC/MS stations in the bands around 500 kHz:* A1A and F1B, and the necessary bandwidths up to 500 Hz.

The Board considered in this respect that 500 Hz bandwidth represents, for A1A emissions, a speed of 100 words per minute, more than adequate for manual telegraphy. For F1B emissions, this limit covers the standard 304 Hz bandwidth (Recommendations ITU-R M.476-5, ITU-R M.493-15, ITU-R M.625-4 and ITU-R SM.1138-3);

- *for FC/MS stations in the bands around 2 MHz:* F1B and J3E; the necessary bandwidth for the F1B emissions shall not exceed 500 Hz, and the necessary bandwidth for J3E emission shall not exceed 2 800 Hz (No. **52.177** refers for this later case);

2.4.3 conformity of the notified service range with the established limits at the Conference:

The administrations shall notify only the required service range, which serves as a basis for determining the power value necessary to ensure the minimum field strength at the edge of the service area. The following service range limits, for coast stations, shall not be exceeded:

- 500 km, for the band 415-526.5 kHz
- 400 km, for the band 1 606.5-2 160 kHz.

The Bureau will use the same values as those established by RARC-MM-R1 on the basis of planning considerations (see Document 63 of RARC-MM-R1). Nevertheless, these values represent, at the same time, technical limitations for use of the ground-wave mode of propagation, since at the above distances the ground-wave component is just 3 dB higher than the sky-wave component.

2.5 For the FC stations in the bands around 500 kHz, only one A1A assignment per coast station shall be accepted; however, the administration concerned shall be informed that it may use A1A emissions on F1B assignments and vice versa:

The Bureau will use the same approach as that used in the establishment of the Plan at RARC-MM-R1, taking account of the Note on page 14 of the Final Acts of RARC-MM-R1, which stipulates that “*in the frequency bands between 415 and 526.5 kHz, A1A emissions may be used on F1B assignments and vice versa*”.

3 Treatment of the frequency assignment notices to transmitting and receiving stations in the bands governed by the GE85-MM-R1 Agreement (for administrations considered parties to the Agreement)

3.1 Treatment of the frequency assignment notices to transmitting and receiving stations in the planned services in the bands covered by frequency assignment plans

3.1.1 The treatment of the frequency assignment notices related to transmitting and receiving stations of the planned services in the frequency bands covered by the frequency assignment Plans (namely, 415-435 kHz, 435-453 kHz, 460.5-495 kHz, 505-526.5 kHz, 1 606.5-1 621 kHz, 1 635-1 800 kHz and 2 060-2 156 kHz), and notified by administrations considered parties to the Agreement, shall follow the procedure contained in Article 5 of the Agreement.

3.1.2 The regulatory examination of these notices shall consist in verifying their conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations and with the provisions of Nos. **52.10**, **52.177**, **52.183**, **52.184** to **52.186** and **52.202**. The provisions of No. **5.81** and Appendix **13**, § 15 1), Part A2, shall be taken also into account, until 1 February 1999.

3.1.3 The examination for conformity with the Plan shall be based on a check of all the data contained in the appropriate frequency assignment Plan and of the following additional items:

3.1.3.1 Since the FC/MS Plans do not contain any value concerning the necessary bandwidths, the following values will be used when checking the conformity of the notified assignments with the Plans:

- *for A1A and F1B*: 500 Hz.

The Board considered in this respect that 500 Hz bandwidth represents, for A1A emissions, a speed of 100 words per minute, more than adequate for manual telegraphy. For F1B emissions, this limit covers the standard 304 Hz bandwidth (Recommendations ITU-R M.476-5, ITU-R M.493-15, ITU-R M.625-4 and ITU-R SM.1138-3).

- *for J3E*: 2 800 Hz, in accordance with No. **52.177**.

3.1.3.2 The notified bandwidth for the ALRC assignments shall be checked with respect to the values contained in the Plan.

3.1.4 In accordance with Resolution 3 (MM), the Board carried out a compatibility analysis in the bands 1 606.5-1 625 kHz, 1 635-1 800 kHz and 2 045-2 160 kHz, taking account of the non-planned services (see ex-IFRB Circular-letters Nos. 762 and 890 of 20 October 1988 and 19 December 1991, respectively). The results of the compatibility analysis shall be taken into account.

3.2 Treatment of the frequency assignment notices to transmitting and receiving stations of the planned services in the bands covered by frequency allotment Plans

The treatment of the frequency assignment notices related to transmitting and receiving stations of the planned services in the frequency bands covered by the frequency allotment Plans (namely, 456-457 kHz, 459-460 kHz, 1 621-1 625 kHz and 2 156-2 160 kHz), notified by the administrations considered parties to the Agreement, shall be subject to the examination of conformity with the Allotment Plan, as contained in Annex 1 to Resolution 5 (MM), taking into account the following criteria:

- the assigned frequency pairs shall coincide with those of the allotment Plans contained in Annexes to Resolution 5 (MM);
- the geographical coordinates of the transmitting/receiving station shall be situated within the respective country;
- the notified service range shall not exceed the limits of 500 km for the band 435-526.5 kHz, and of 400 km for the band 1 606.5-2 160 kHz (these limits were used in the establishment of the frequency assignment Plans);
- the notified nature of service shall be CP;
- the notified class of emission shall be F1B or J2B, and the notified bandwidth shall not exceed 304 Hz.

3.3 Treatment of the frequency assignment notices to transmitting and receiving stations in the non-planned services

The treatment of the frequency assignment notices to transmitting and receiving stations in the non-planned services, from administrations considered parties to the Agreement, shall follow the procedure contained in Article 6 of the Agreement. In the analysis of the results of the technical examination with respect to notices of the administrations considered parties to the Agreement, only the day-time results will be taken into account (sky-wave shall be disregarded).

PART A9

Rules concerning the Regional Agreement concerning the planning of the maritime radionavigation service (radiobeacons) in the European Maritime Area (Geneva, 1985) (GE85-EMA)

1 Status of the administrations with respect to the Agreement

1.1 In the transitional period between the establishment of the Agreement (13 March 1985) and its entry into force (1 April 1992), and after consultation of the administrations of the countries situated in the European Maritime Area, the Board introduced and used the concept of “*parties to the Agreement*” for the purposes of the application of the procedures and associated technical criteria set up in Articles 4, 5 and 6 of the GE85-EMA Agreement for the modifications to the Plan and for notifications, examination and recording of frequency assignment notices to stations in the planned (maritime radionavigation) or non-planned (aeronautical radionavigation) services. “*Parties to the GE85-EMA Agreement*” were considered to be all administrations having territories in the planning area (i.e. in the European Maritime Area) that were not opposed to this concept. Non-parties to the Agreement were those administrations that declared formally that they did not wish to be considered “*parties to the Agreement*”, as well as non-participating administrations without Plan assignments that had not declared formally that they intended to become “*parties to the Agreement*”.

1.2 After the entry into force of the Agreement, and pending further consultation with the administrations concerned, the Board decided to maintain this concept. Therefore, the Bureau will consider parties to the GE85-EMA Agreement all administrations having territories in the European Maritime Area, with the exception of the following administrations: AND, BIH, BLR, CVA, IRQ, ISL, LIE, LUX, MDA, MKD, SMR, SUI and SVN, which are considered non-parties to the Agreement, until such a time as they accede formally to the Agreement.

2 Application of No. 5.73 and of Resolution 602 (Mob-87)* in the context of the GE85-EMA Agreement

2.1 Pursuant to the decisions of the Regional Administrative Conference for the planning of the maritime radionavigation service (radiobeacons) in the European Maritime Area, Geneva, 1985 (referred to hereafter as RARC GE85-EMA, Geneva, 1985), and in order to enable the treatment of the notices submitted under Resolution 1 of the Conference, the Board prepared the provisional Rule of Procedure No. H42 concerning the application, by the administrations parties to the Agreement and by the ex-IFRB, of the transitional procedure set forth in Annex to Resolution 1 (EMA), in the period preceding the entry into force of the Agreement (1 April 1992).

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-03.

2.2 After the publication of Rule No. H42 (see ex-IFRB Circular-letter No. 828 of 5 July 1990) several administrations indicated that they intend to use the maritime radio-beacons in this band for transmission of supplementary navigational data to ships, including differential corrections of other radionavigation systems (e.g. Omega, GPS, Loran-C).

2.3 The Board reviewed the matter having particularly in mind the provisions of No. 5.73 of the RR, Resolution 602 (Mob-87)*, and Note 2 to Annex 1 of the Agreement. Rule No. H42(Rev.) was published with the ex-IFRB Circular-letter No. 913 of 30 September 1992 on this subject. The proposed approach was not opposed and the Board decided to maintain it (see also Part A1 of the Rules of Procedure concerning the application of No. 5.73).

3 Treatment of the frequency assignment notices related to radio-beacon stations in the maritime radionavigation service from administrations considered party to the Agreement (Article 5 of the Agreement)

The frequency assignment notices related to assignments to radiobeacon stations of the maritime radionavigation service in the frequency band 283.5-315 kHz, situated within the European Maritime Area, and notified by administrations considered party to the Agreement, shall be subject to the following examinations.

3.1 Regulatory examination (No. 11.31 and related provisions)

The regulatory examination of these notices shall consist in verifying their conformity with the Table of Frequency Allocations, including the check whether the notice is related to a radiobeacon station.

3.2 Examination of conformity with the Agreement

The examination for conformity with the Plan shall be based on a check of all the data contained in the Plan.

As Note 2 in Annex 1 to the GE85-EMA Agreement stipulates that “*the technical parameters also provide for composite emission using both A1A and F1B emissions*”, the frequency assignment will be considered as being in conformity with the Agreement as long as these two classes of emission (e.g. A1A and F1B) are notified and the notified bandwidth does not exceed 500 Hz. Moreover, and in view of the results of the studies in the Radiocommunication Study Groups in response to Resolution 3 (EMA), the Board decided that the class of emission G1D (i.e. class of emission corresponding to MSK techniques) would be also receivable.

* Note by the Secretariat: This Resolution was suppressed by WRC-03.

4 Treatment of the notices intended for modification to the Plan governed by the GE85-EMA Agreement (Article 4 of the Agreement)

4.1 Modifications to the Plan shall be considered receivable from those administrations which are considered parties to the Agreement (see § 1.2 above), provided that the subject stations are situated within the European Maritime Area.

4.2 The treatment of notices intended for modifications to the Plan shall follow the following procedures:

4.2.1 The technical principles to be used in the procedure for the modifications of the Plan shall be those contained in Annexes 2 and 3 to the GE85-EMA Agreement. The computer program used at RARC-GE85-EMA shall be used for this purpose, suitably modified to take account of the digitized coastlines;

4.2.2 The following items shall be checked with a view of determining the conformity with the technical principles of the Agreement:

- conformity of the assigned frequency with the channelling arrangement contained in Annex 2 to the GE85-EMA Agreement; however, the Bureau shall not apply the provisions of Note 1 of that Annex;
- conformity of the notified class of emission and bandwidth with the permissible values (A1A, F1B, G1D; up to and including 500 Hz);
- conformity of the notified service range with the limits established at the Conference.

The administrations shall notify only the required service range, which serves as a basis for determining the power value necessary to ensure the minimum field strength at the edge of the service area. The administration which notifies a service range in excess of 280 km shall be requested to reduce it to a value below 280 km, since the propagation criteria, used in the preparation of the Plan, disregard the sky-wave, which, however, occurs at night and may cause bearing errors at long ranges (see Note 1 in Annex 1 to the Final Acts).

4.3 In conducting the examinations for identifying the administrations whose assignments may be affected by a modification to the Plan, the following criteria shall be used:

4.3.1 the relevant Technical Standards contained in Section B4 of the Rules of Procedure with respect to the frequency assignments to stations in the aeronautical radionavigation service, recorded in the Master Register on behalf of parties to the Agreement;

4.3.2 the criteria contained in Annex 3 to the Agreement with respect to the assignments which are in accordance with the Agreement, including those proposed modifications to the Plan for which the Article 4 procedure is in progress.

NOTE 1 – The Technical Standards contained in Section B4 of the Rules of Procedure and the criteria of Annex 3 to the Agreement differ in the following:

- the Technical Standards contained in Section B4 of the Rules of Procedure take account of the sky-wave, while the Annex 3 criteria disregard the sky-wave;
- paragraph 1.4 of Annex 3 and Technical Standard A-3 contained in the Rules of Procedure contain different values concerning the discrimination factors (relative adjacent-channels protection ratios).

5 Treatment of the frequency assignment notices to stations in the aeronautical radionavigation service (Article 6 of the Agreement)

The treatment of the frequency assignment notices related to stations in the aeronautical radionavigation service, from administrations considered party to the Agreement, shall follow the procedure contained in Article 6 of the Agreement. The Technical Standards contained in Section B4 of the Rules of Procedure shall be used in these examinations.

PART A10

Rules concerning the Regional Agreement relating to the planning of the digital terrestrial broadcasting service in parts of Regions 1 and 3, in the frequency bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 MHz (Geneva, 2006) (GE06)

1 Receivability of notices

In the application of the Regional Agreement relating to the planning of the digital terrestrial broadcasting service in Region 1 (parts of Region 1 situated to the west of meridian 170° E and to north of parallel 40° S, except the territory of Mongolia) and in the Islamic Republic of Iran, in the frequency bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 MHz (Geneva, 2006), the Bureau will apply the procedures contained in Articles 4 and 5 of the Agreement and associated technical criteria with respect to the notices from all administrations having territories in the planning area, provided that the station concerned (or the allotment area concerned) is situated within the planning area.

2 Protection of a Plan entry from interference caused by a Plan entry of another Administration and with which the coordination procedure was not triggered in the application of Article 4 of the GE06 Agreement

1) During the RRC-06 Conference, a compatibility analysis for all requirements (allotments and assignments) was carried out in two directions (transmission and reception). When requirements were not compatible with each other in one or both directions, the administrations concerned had to resolve the incompatibility. This ensured that all entries in the Plan, as adopted by RRC-06, were evaluated and agreed as compatible by the concerned administrations.

2) Since then, new or modified assignments/allotments were included in the Plan following the successful application of the procedure of Article 4 of the GE06 Agreement. This procedure however, considers administrations as affected by a proposed modification only when the limits given in Section I of Annex 4 of the Agreement are exceeded. This approach was designed to trigger the need to coordinate with the potentially affected administration(s) in order to ensure that the proposed modification will not affect the ability of other administrations to receive broadcasting emissions on any channel over their territory. Nonetheless, the Agreement does not address the interference that a proposed modification will receive from assignments previously recorded in the Plan.

3) In the application of Article 4 of the GE06 Agreement, the Bureau received a request from an administration to be included in the list of administrations affected by a proposed modification to the Plan because that modification might be affected by that administration's own entries in the plan. However, since the proposed modification did not exceed the limits of Annex 4 of the GE06 Agreement, the Bureau could not accede to this request.

4) This situation highlights that the procedures of the GE06 Agreement do not require, prior to its inclusion in the Plan, to coordinate the protection of a proposed modification to the Plan from the interference that may be caused to it by entries already recorded in the Plan.

5) The Board considered that a general principle of the Radio Regulations is that the status, i.e. the rights for transmission or the rights for protection of new assignments are derived from the successful application of the relevant procedures (See RR No. **8.3**).

6) In the absence of a relevant procedure in the GE06 Agreement to acquire such rights, the Board considered that, unless otherwise agreed between the administrations concerned, an assignment in conformity with the Plan and recorded in the Master Register cannot claim protection from assignments that are in conformity with the Plan, irrespective of whether or not the corresponding Plan entries have any Plan remarks (R2, R3), corresponding to an entry which was recorded in the Plan prior to the entry corresponding to the assignment for which protection is claimed.

7) The Board noted that several provisions of the GE06 Agreement indicate that, after successful application of the procedure, the new entry will have the same status as the other entries in the Plan. Consistent with the above considerations, the Board is of the view that all entries in the plan involve a right for transmission for the corresponding assignments and a right for protection of these assignments against subsequent entries in the plan. Conformity with the plan does not involve the right for protection against previous entries in the plan.

8) The Board also noted that several administrations had communicated to the Bureau proposed modifications to the GE06 Plan on the basis of low power stations located near the border of their territory in a way that does not trigger the limits of Annex 4 of the GE06 Agreement. Consistent with the above considerations, the Board is of the view that the inclusion in the Plan and/or the MIFR of the corresponding assignments does not provide any additional rights to protect these assignments from assignments previously included in the Plan¹ as protection from these assignments cannot be obtained from application of Article 4 if the limits in Annex 4 are not exceeded.

¹ Similarly no protection should be claimed from assignments stemming from those allotments that were previously recorded in the Plan.

9) The Board also noted that this Rule of Procedure does not require any modification to the current practice by the Bureau in processing notices for the application of Articles 4 and 5 of the GE06 Agreement. Similarly this Rule of Procedure does not apply to other primary terrestrial services.

10) This ROP is applicable immediately, irrespective of the date of entry in the Plan/MIFR of the concerned assignments/allotments.

Art. 4

Procedure for modifications to the Plans and procedure for coordination of other primary terrestrial services

4.1.1

1) This provision specifies the various cases envisaged in the procedure for modifications to the Plans. Essentially, the procedure provides a phased approach in the case when an administration wishes to add to the digital Plan an allotment and assignment(s) stemming from that allotment: the administration firstly needs to successfully complete the Plan modification procedure for the allotment and, once the allotment is entered in the digital Plan, the administration could apply the procedure referred to in No. 4.1.1 *c*). Therefore, the Board concluded that there was no possibility for simultaneous application of the procedure for adding an allotment to the Plan and the procedure of adding assignment(s) stemming from that allotment and instructed the Bureau to act accordingly.

2) In the case of proposed changes to the characteristics of an allotment already included in the Plan, which also comprises one or several assignments stemming from the allotment already included in the Plan, the Bureau will follow the following procedure:

- in the application of No. 4.1.1 *a*), the Bureau will publish the characteristics of the modified allotment; to this end, the Bureau will include such notes in the concerned Special Section, as may be appropriate, to indicate the applicable situations, notably: (1) that the Plan contains one or more assignments stemming from the original allotment which would be reviewed after the successful completion of the Plan modification procedure in respect of the concerned allotment, and (2) that the administration concerned announced a submission of other assignments stemming from the modified allotment, which would be examined after the successful completion of the Plan modification procedure for the modified allotment and appropriately reflected in another Special Section;

- until the successful completion of the Plan modification procedure for the modified allotment, the Bureau will retain the previous allotment (together with the assignments stemming from that allotment);
- after the successful completion of the Plan modification procedure for the modified allotment, the Bureau will include it in the Plan (as a replacement for the previous allotment) and will examine all the assignments stemming from the previous allotment, if any, with respect to their conformity with the replacement allotment. If the assignments are in conformity with the replacement allotment, they will be maintained in the Plan; otherwise they will be deleted from the Plan and the administration concerned will be informed accordingly. The notifying administration, if it so wishes, may submit other assignment(s) stemming from the modified allotment under provision No. 4.1.1 c); upon receipt of these other assignments stemming from the modified allotment, the Bureau will examine them under No. 4.1.2.7 and will act accordingly.

4.1.4/4.2.4

Rule of Procedure

Sections 4.1.4 and 4.2.4 of the GE06 Regional Agreement outline the procedures to be followed by administrations and the Bureau for obtaining the agreement from administrations which are considered to be affected and whose agreement are yet to be obtained.

Paragraphs 4.1.4.10 and 4.2.4.9, in particular, instruct the Bureau to send, upon request of an administration, a reminder requesting a decision from administrations, which did not reply within the 75-day period after the date of the publication of the relating BR IFIC.

In addition to sending the reminders pursuant to § 4.1.4.10 or § 4.2.4.9 of the GE06 Regional Agreement, the Bureau will make them available simultaneously for the administrations concerned using another electronic means of communication e.g. using the web application “MyAdmin” (see CR/408, dated 5 July 2016).

Paragraphs 4.1.4.11 and 4.2.4.10 state that if no decision is communicated to the Bureau within 40 days after the date of dispatch of the reminder, it shall be deemed that the administration has agreed to the proposed modification.

Art. 5

Notification of frequency assignments

5.1.2

1) This provision deals with the examination by the Bureau of the assignment with respect to No. **11.34** of the Radio Regulations (RR), i.e., its conformity with the Plans and the associated provisions. For the case of an analogue television assignment, sub-paragraph a) applies and it requires that the conditions of Section II of Annex 4 be met. However, Section II of Annex 4 deals only with the examination of conformity with the digital Plan

entry. The Board concluded that, by analogy with § 4.2 of Section II of Annex 4 (dealing with digital plan entry comprising one assignment only), the notified frequency assignment to an analogue television assignment will be considered as compliant with the analogue television Plan if it fulfils the conditions specified in § 4.2 of Section II of Annex 4, as adapted to the case of analogue television assignment.

2) In addition, the Board concluded that the analogue television assignments in the bands 174-230 MHz (for Morocco 170-230 MHz) and 470-862 MHz, which were recorded in the Master Register at the time of the establishment of the GE06 analogue Plan with favourable findings under No. 11.34 of the RR, shall retain such favourable findings as long as their characteristics and the characteristics of the equivalent entry in the analogue television plan of the GE06 Agreement remain unchanged.

5.1.2 e)

1) If the digital Plan entry bears a remark with respect to assignments in the analogue Plan or to existing assignments to other primary terrestrial services, the finding of the notified frequency assignment referring to this digital Plan entry and being within the scope of provision No. 5.1.2 e) shall be favourable if all the necessary agreements have been obtained and if the conditions specified in Section II of Annex 4 are met.

2) If the digital Plan entry bears a remark with respect to entries in the digital Plan, the finding of the notified frequency assignment referring to this digital Plan entry and being within the scope of provision No. 5.1.2 e) shall be favourable if the notifying administration states that all conditions associated with the remark are fully met, and the conditions of Section II of Annex 4 are met.

3) For the case of a T-DAB frequency assignment, notified under No. 5.1.2 e) of the GE06 Agreement, using a DVB-T single assignment Plan entry in the digital Plan, if the notified frequency assignment uses the same part of the spectrum of the DVB-T Plan assignment more than once, the finding of the notified assignment will be unfavourable and the notice will be returned to the notifying administration.

4) For the case of a T-DAB frequency assignment, notified under No. 5.1.2 e) of the GE06 Agreement, using a DVB-T Plan (assignment or allotment) entry, when examining if the conditions in Section II of Annex 4 of the GE06 Agreement are met, the Bureau will augment the notified e.r.p. of the T-DAB assignment by a corresponding correction factor indicated in the table below to take into account the difference in spectral power densities as a result of the different bandwidths of the T-DAB assignment and the DVB-T Plan entry. The values of the correction factor are calculated as the ratio of the digital television broadcasting Plan entry bandwidth and the necessary bandwidth of the notified assignment.

**Correction factor to be applied to the e.r.p.
of notified T-DAB assignments**

	DVB-T Plan entry channel arrangement	
	7 MHz	8 MHz
Correction factor	6.371 dB	6.950 dB

NOTE – If there is one or more DVB-T Plan entries using system variant of 64-QAM 7/8, located within 1000 km (the limit of the propagation model described in Annex 2 of the Agreement) of the transmitter site of the notified T-DAB assignment, a correction factor of 8.1 dB will be used.

5.1.3

1) This provision deals with notification of a digital broadcasting entry in the Plan with characteristics different from those appearing in the Plan. The definition of the “*digital Plan entry*”, as contained in No. 1.3.18 of Annex 1 to the GE06 Agreement, includes both assignments and allotments. However, and in view of the formulation of No. 5.1 of the GE06 Agreement, the Board concluded that, in the application of No. 5.1.3 of the GE06 Agreement, administrations can notify only frequency assignments.

2) For the examination of the conformity of the frequency assignment in the broadcasting service or in other primary services, notified under No. 5.1.3 of the GE06 Agreement, with the corresponding “*digital entry in the Plan*”, the Bureau would need to ascertain that the notified frequency assignment does not exceed the interference potential of the corresponding digital broadcasting entry in the Plan. Provision No. 5.1.3 indicates only the condition that the peak power density of the notified frequency assignment, in any 4 kHz, shall not exceed the spectral power density in the same 4 kHz of the digital broadcasting entry in the Plan. Item 5.6 of Table 3 of Annex 3 to the GE06 Agreement indicates that this is the spectral power density delivered to the antenna transmission line. The Board understands that the maximum spectral power-density (dB(W/Hz)) (Item 8AC, Annex 1 of Appendix 4 averaged over the worst 4 kHz band is based on the maximum effective radiated power. The Bureau will take into account the spectral power-density of the notified assignment by first calculating the equivalent maximum effective radiated power (e.r.p.) of the notified frequency assignment to which is applied a correction factor that takes into account the difference in spectral power-densities as a result of the different necessary bandwidths of the frequency assignment and the corresponding Plan entry. The equivalent effective radiated power is derived from the necessary bandwidth and the peak spectral power-density of the notified assignment and the bandwidth of the digital broadcasting Plan entry, as given in the equation below:

$$e.r.p._{eq, max} = SPD_{max} + 10 \log_{10}(BW_{NA}) + 10 \log_{10}\left(\frac{BW_{PE}}{BW_{NA}}\right) \quad \text{dBW}$$

where:

SPD_{max} : maximum spectral power density (dB(W/Hz)) (Item 8AC, Annex 1 to Appendix 4) averaged over the worst 4 kHz band and based on the maximum effective radiated power

BW_{NA} : notified necessary bandwidth (Hz) (Item 7AB, Annex 1 to Appendix 4);

BW_{PE} : bandwidth (Hz) for the relevant system of the digital broadcasting Plan entry. For DVB-T Plan entries the bandwidth is 7.61×10^6 Hz in the case of 8 MHz systems and 6.66×10^6 Hz for 7 MHz systems, and for T-DAB Plan entries, 1.536×10^6 Hz.

In order to ascertain that the field strength produced by the notified frequency assignment(s), in any direction, does not create more interference than the corresponding digital broadcasting Plan entry, the Bureau would need complete characteristics of the notified frequency assignment, such as geographical information (effective antenna heights in 36 azimuths) and transmission information (polarization, e.r.p., including antenna attenuation in the horizontal and vertical planes if, for example, the digital broadcasting Plan entry has a directional antenna pattern). Therefore, when notifying frequency assignments under No. 5.1.3 of the GE06 Agreement, administrations need to supply all the relevant characteristics that are necessary, for the Bureau, to ascertain that the notified frequency assignment is within the envelope of the digital broadcasting Plan entry.

3) If the digital Plan entry bears a remark with respect to assignments in the analogue Plan or to existing assignments to other primary terrestrial services, the finding of the notified frequency assignment referring to this digital Plan entry and being within the scope of provision No. 5.1.3 shall be favourable if all the necessary agreements have been obtained and if the results of all the required examinations are favourable.

If the digital Plan entry bears a remark with respect to entries in the digital Plan, the finding of the notified frequency assignment referring to this digital Plan entry and being within the scope of provision No. 5.1.3 shall be favourable if the notifying administration states that all conditions associated with the remark are fully met and if the results of all the required examinations are favourable.

Art. 12**Entry into force, duration and provisional application of the Agreement****12.6**

Footnote 7, associated with this provision, lists the countries for which the transition period for the VHF band (174-230 MHz; for Morocco: 170-230 MHz) shall end on 17 June 2020 at 0001 hours UTC. The same footnote further specifies the option, for the administrations which were not present at RRC-06 and whose names are listed in footnote 7, of selecting another date for the end of the transition period in the VHF band (notably 17 June 2015 at 0001 hours UTC), provided that these administrations communicate such a decision to the Bureau within a 90-day period from the end of RRC-06.

After the end of RRC-06, the Bureau contacted the administrations of the Member States listed in footnote 7 of this provision which were not present at RRC-06 and informed them of the decisions of RRC-06 in this respect. No administration of the Member States concerned informed the Bureau, within the specified period, that it selected 17 June 2015 for the end of the transition period. Therefore, for all countries listed in footnote 7, the transition period for the VHF band shall end on 17 June 2020 at 0001 hours UTC.

Annex 2**Technical elements and criteria used in the development of the Plan
and the implementation of the Agreement****Appendix 2.1
Section A2.1.8.1**

This Section deals with the mixed path interpolation factor A used for calculating the field strength for path crossing multiple propagation zones. The interpolation factor A is a function of basic interpolation factor A_0 whose value is determined by reading from the curve in Figure A.2.1-2. This may result in different interpretations of A_0 values. Such situation could lead to different field strength values calculated for path crossing multiple propagation zones

and therefore different list of administrations potentially affected by proposed modifications to the Plans. Therefore, the Board concluded that the basic interpolation factor $A_0 (F_s)$ as shown in Fig. A.2.1-2 shall be calculated using the following formula:

$$A_0(F_s) = 1 - (1 - F_s)^{2/3}$$

The application of this formula is consistent with the method adopted by RRC-06 Conference, recommended in Recommendation ITU-R P.1546 and currently used by the Bureau in implementing the GE06 Agreement.

Appendix 3.1 Table A3.1-3
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This Table also applies to the geographical areas XGZ and XWB.

Appendix 3.1 Table A3.1-8
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This Table also applies to the geographical area AOE, except channels 4 and 5.

Appendix 3.3

Section A.3.3.4 of this Appendix provides information on the protection ratios for analogue television. However, this section does not provide any information on the protection ratios for the case when the analogue television is interfered with by assignments in other primary terrestrial services. Calculations requested in application of § 4.2.4.11 and 4.2.4.12 of the Agreement shall be made by using Recommendation ITU-R SM.851-1, for the cases covered by this Recommendation. For the other cases not covered by that Recommendation, the pertinent ITU-R Recommendations may be used.

Annex 3 Table 3

Data for assignments to stations of other primary terrestrial services

No. 7.1 of this Table specifies that, for the application of Article 4 of the Agreement, the regular hours (UTC) of operation of the frequency assignment (cross-referenced as item 10B in Appendix 4 of the RR) are mandatory if used as a basis to effect coordination with another administration (character "C"). On the other hand, this data item is indicated as mandatory for the application of Article 5 of the Agreement (character "X"). Therefore, for the examinations under § 5.2.2 of the Agreement, where the regular hours of operation are mandatory,

the Bureau needs to ascertain that the notified hours of operation are compliant with those resulting from the successful application of the procedure contained in § 4.2 of the Agreement. In view of the above, the Board concluded that the item “*regular hours (UTC) of operation of the frequency assignment*” would need to be considered as mandatory for all submissions under Article 4 of the Agreement for assignments to stations of other primary terrestrial services.

Annex 4

Section I: Limits and methodology for determining when agreement with another administration is required

2.1

Step 3 of this Section specifies that any assignment in the other primary service is selected for consideration, if it belongs to an administration within the 1 000 km contour, provided that the assignment is contained in the List or the coordination procedure under Article 4 of the GE06 Agreement for its inclusion into the List has already been initiated. The Board concluded that Bureau shall take into account only those eligible frequency assignments in other primary services that have frequency overlap with relevant broadcasting assignment/allotment (i.e., the proposed modification to the Plan).

2.2

This Section specifies the general methodology for constructing the coordination contours for the application of the coordination procedure referred to in § 4.2 of the Agreement. Given the fact that the frequency assignments in the other primary service (OPS) include transmitting and receiving stations, the methodology takes account of the impact of the transmitting station in the OPS to the broadcasting service, as well as the likely impact of the broadcasting service to the receiving stations in the OPS. Therefore, this Section specifies the need for constructing separate coordination contours for the same assignment: for the transmitting stations and for the receiving stations. This Section further specifies that, for identification of affected administrations, the larger of the two contours is to be taken into account.

Given the variety of situations which could be covered by assignments in OPS, there may be situations where the constructed coordination contours for the transmitting stations and for receiving stations of the same assignment are not overlapped or partially overlapped. Therefore, the Board decided that for the cases where the coordination contours for the transmitting stations and for receiving stations of the same assignment are not overlapped or partially overlapped, the combined result of the two coordination contours is to be taken into account for the identification of affected administrations.

5.1.2

This Section indicates Tables A.1.2 to A.1.8 of Appendix 1 to this Section as tables that contain the coordination trigger field-strength values for protection of other primary terrestrial services, applying the procedure of Article 4 of the GE06 Agreement (construction of coordination contours). However, § A.2 to A.4 of Appendix 1 to Section I, which include Tables A.1.2 to A.1.8, do not provide information on the trigger values to be used for protection of other primary terrestrial services from analogue television assignments. Such values are necessary for the application of the procedure of Article 4 of the GE06 Agreement (see § 4.1.2.8 *a*) and 4.1.2.3). Calculations requested in application of § 4.1.2.8 *a*) of the Agreement shall be made using the pertinent ITU-R Recommendations and the indications therein. Recommendations ITU-R F.758-7, ITU-R F.759*, and ITU-R SM.851-1 are to be used in this regard. As Recommendation ITU-R F.758-7 does not contain information relating to analogue systems in the fixed service, and given the indications therein, the Board concluded that version ITU-R F.758-2 shall be used in the case of analogue systems in the fixed service. For cases not covered by any ITU-R Recommendation, the Board concluded that the calculations shall be made using the trigger values for DVB-T in combination with the approach of relative protection ratios for analogue television as described in Recommendation ITU-R SM.851-1.

Therefore, trigger values to be used for protection of other primary terrestrial services from analogue television assignments for cases not covered by any ITU-R Recommendation shall be calculated using the following formula:

$$F_{trigger\ ATV} = F_{trigger\ DVB-T} - RPR$$

where:

$F_{trigger\ ATV}$: trigger value for analogue television

$F_{trigger\ DVB-T}$: trigger value for digital television

RPR : relative protection ratio in accordance with Recommendation ITU-R SM.851-1.

5.2.2

1) For carrying out the calculations referred to in this provision, the Bureau will assume that the reference broadcasting station referred to in this provision (with a maximum radiated power of 53 dBW, maximum effective antenna height of 600 m, mixed polarization) operates in DVB-T system with 8 MHz bandwidth in the UHF band and with 7 MHz bandwidth in the VHF band.

* Note by the Secretariat: This Recommendation was suppressed in 2009.

2) The maximum coordination distance for aircraft receivers is to be set to 420 km (calculated as a geometrical contour around the service area of the receiving aeronautical station), irrespective of the indications in this provision, given the indications in other relevant provisions (e.g., Nos. 5.1.2 and 5.2.1 in Section I of Annex 4).

3) Given the formulation of § 4.5, which describes the basic assumptions for the construction of the coordination contours for mobile (except aeronautical mobile) stations, the RRB instructed the Bureau to implement the following methodology for the construction of the coordination contour for a receiving station in the mobile (except aeronautical mobile) service intended to operate in a specified service area:

a) Determine the centre of gravity of the specified service area.

b) Determine the 360 points on the boundary of the specified service area (*“boundary points”*) at which the field strength from the reference broadcasting station is evaluated. These boundary points are determined as intersection points of the boundary of the service area and 360 radials centred around the centre of gravity of the specified service area². In case of multiple intersections of a given radial with the service area, the *“boundary point”* would be the intersection point which is furthest situated from the centre of gravity.

c) Determine the 360 points on the 1 000 km geometrical contour (*“initial reference transmitter points”*) at which the reference broadcasting station is first located. These initial reference transmitter points are determined as intersection points of the 1 000 km geometrical contour around the specified service area and 360 radials centred around the centre of gravity of the specified service area.

d) Determine the coordination distance for each radial as follows:

- 1) place the reference broadcasting transmitter at the initial reference transmitter point for this radial and calculate the field strength from this location at all boundary points;
- 2) if the field strength from the reference broadcasting station exceeds or is equal to the trigger field strength at any of the *“boundary points”*, then the initial reference transmitter point determines the coordination distance for this radial;

² The service area does not extend beyond the national territory of the administration concerned.

- 3) if the field strength from the reference broadcasting station is less than the trigger field strength at all “*boundary points*”, then the reference broadcasting station is moved along the radial in 10 km steps towards the centre of gravity of the service area until the field strength, produced from this new location, exceeds or is equal to the trigger field strength at any of the “*boundary points*”. The location of the reference broadcasting station, from which the reference broadcasting station produces a field strength which exceeds or is equal to the trigger field strength at any of the “*boundary points*”, determines the coordination distance for this radial.
- 4) In the case of a receiving airborne station in the aeronautical mobile service or in aeronautical radionavigation service, the Bureau will use the same methodology as the one described in § 3 above, by replacing the 1 000 km geometrical contour with 420 km geometrical contour, in accordance with § 2 above.

Appendix 1 to Section I

A Coordination trigger field strengths for the protection of the broadcasting and other primary services from a modification to the Plan

A.2 Coordination trigger field strengths to protect the mobile service in the bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 MHz

Table A.1.3 of this section contains the system type codes for mobile service systems and their corresponding coordination trigger field-strength values to protect from DVB-T. These coordination triggers cannot be applied to IMT-2000 and IMT-Advanced stations, since the specific systems listed in the Table do not belong to the IMT “family” of standards. As for a generic code ‘NB’ contained in the Table, it cannot be used for IMT systems, pursuant to Resolutions **749 (Rev.WRC-23)** and **760 (Rev.WRC-23)**.

In view of the above, the Board decided that, when submitting frequency assignments to stations of IMT-2000 and IMT-Advanced systems, e.g. LTE and LTE-Advanced, in the band 470-862 MHz for application of the GE06 coordination procedure and notification for the Master Register, administrations shall use the system type code ‘ND’.

The coordination trigger field strengths corresponding to this code are calculated by the Bureau using the notified technical characteristics and equation (2) from Recommendation ITU-R M. 1767-0, as follows:

$$F_{trigger} = -37 + F - G_i + L_F + 10 \log(B_i) + P_o + 20 \log f + I / N - K$$

where:

- F : receiver noise figure of the mobile service base or mobile station receivers (dB)
- B_i : the bandwidth of a terrestrial broadcasting station (MHz)
- G_i : the receiver antenna gain of the station in the mobile service (dBi)
- L_F : antenna cable feeder loss (dB)
- f : centre frequency of the interfering station (MHz)
- P_o : man-made noise (dB) (typical value is 0 dB for the UHF band)
- I/N : interference to noise ratio
- K : overlap correction factor, calculated as shown in the Attachment to Appendix 4.2 of the GE06 Agreement (Tables AT.4.2-4 and AT.4.2-5), where the overlapped bandwidth B_o is calculated as follows:

$$B_o = \text{Min} (B_i, B_v, (B_v + B_i)/2 - |\Delta f|)$$

where:

- B_v : the bandwidth of the receiving station in the mobile service
- Δf : the difference between the centre frequency of the mobile service system and the centre frequency of the interfering (DVB-T) signal.

The parameters to be applied in the equation are listed below. They are derived from Report ITU-R M.2039-3 for IMT-2000 systems and Report ITU-R M.2292-0 for IMT-Advanced systems.

Parameters	Receiving base station (ML)	Receiving mobile station (FB)
f (centre frequency, MHz)	470-862	
F (receiver noise figure, dB)	5	9
G_i (receiver antenna gain, dBi)	15	-3
L_F (antenna cable feeder loss, dB)	3	0
P_o (man-made noise, dB)	0	0
$F - G_i + L_F + P_o$	-7	12
I/N (interference to noise ratio, dB)	-6	
B_i (bandwidth of TV station, MHz)	8	

The above parameters apply to stations operating on frequency 790 MHz. For other frequencies in the UHF band, the interpolation should be made by adding a correction factor of $10 \log (f/790)$.

As an indication of the resulting values, the trigger field strengths of an IMT station operating on 790 MHz are equal to 17 dB(μ V/m) for a receiving base station and 36 dB(μ V/m) for a receiving mobile station, when the K factor is 0, i.e. when the IMT station uses a bandwidth less than or equal to 8 MHz.

For establishing coordination contours, the heights of receiving antennas of base and mobile stations are assumed to be 30 m and 1.5 m respectively.

PART B

SECTION B1

(Not used)

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SECTION B2

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PART B

SECTION B3

Rules concerning methodology for calculation of probability of harmful interference between satellite networks (*C/I* ratios)

1 Introduction

In application of the provisions of No. **11.32A** when, as a consequence of continuing disagreement (Nos. **9.63** to **9.65**) between two (or a limited number of) administrations, the notifying administration requests the Radiocommunication Bureau, an examination of the probability of harmful interference under No. **11.32A** is carried out. For the calculation method and criteria to be used for the interference assessment as well as the findings to be formulated with respect to coordination of their networks under No. **9.7**, the Bureau shall proceed as follows.

2 Probability of harmful interference

The Bureau, in performing its mandatory tasks relating to the application of the above-mentioned provisions, shall proceed as follows:

2.1 Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2, shall be used to examine the subject assignments with respect to the provisions of No. **11.32A**.

2.2 The Bureau shall use the mutually agreed criteria provided by the administrations concerned for accepted interference in the format appearing in Table 2 of Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2, or, in the absence of such information, the Bureau shall use the single entry limits defined in Table 2 of § 3.2 below, which is derived from Table 2 of Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2, together with the information submitted in accordance with Appendix 4.

2.2.1 In the case where this information is provided by the administrations concerned:

- a) The probability of harmful interference is considered to be negligible if the *C/I* calculation shows that the applicable criteria for a particular examination between two networks concerned are satisfied. The finding in Column 13A3 shall thus be favourable.
- b) The probability of harmful interference is considered not to be negligible, if the *C/I* calculation shows that the applicable criteria for a particular examination between two networks concerned are not satisfied. The finding in Column 13A3 shall be unfavourable.

2.2.2 In the case where this information is not provided by the administrations concerned:

- a) The probability of harmful interference is considered to be negligible if the interference is less than or equal to the single-entry interference limits indicated in Table 2 of § 3.2 below. The finding in Column 13A3 shall be favourable.
- b) The probability of harmful interference is considered not to be negligible, if the interference is greater than the single-entry interference limits indicated in Table 2 of § 3.2 below. The finding in Column 13A3 shall be unfavourable.

3 Methodology

To perform the above-mentioned compatibility analysis the following methodology will be used.

The methodology is based on Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2. A set of carrier-to-interference (C/I) calculations, using power values submitted by notifying administrations in items C.8.a.1/C.8.b.1 (i.e. the maximum value of the peak envelope power/the total peak envelope power) of Appendix 4 for both wanted and interference carrier levels, are performed following the geometrical considerations of Recommendation ITU-R S.740 and an interference adjustment factor is calculated as shown below to take into consideration the frequency offset situations as well as the difference in the bandwidths between the wanted and the interfering carriers. These C/I values are then compared with the required C/I values derived from the criteria appearing in Table 2 of § 3.2 below which contains a set of single entry interference criteria to protect different types of carriers. In the case of required C/I values agreed by administrations and communicated to the Bureau, the calculated C/I values will be compared with these mutually agreed C/I values.

Thereafter, a set of margins M (C/I calculated – C/I required) are derived. It should be noted that to evaluate the C/I required, a set of carrier-to-noise ratio (C/N) objectives are used (performance) and a K value, generally of either 12.2 or 14.0 dB, is added in accordance with the above-mentioned Table 2 of § 3.2 below. It should also be noted that these values correspond to a maximum permissible interference of 6% or 4% of the total noise power N of the protected assignments (performance).

In order to identify C/I required to be used for calculations, two scenarios are analyzed:

- I. The assessment of interference caused by incumbent networks into the network submitted for the examination under No. **11.32A**:

In this case, to calculate the required C/I of the examined network, the C/N objective of the network (see item C.8.e.1 of Annex 2 of Appendix 4) submitted by the notifying administration for examination under No. **11.32A** is used.

- II. The assessment of interference caused by the network submitted for examination under No. **11.32A** into incumbent networks:

In this case, to calculate the required C/I of each of the incumbent networks, the lower value between the submitted C/N objective (see item C.8.e.1 of Annex 2 of Appendix 4) and the calculated C/N (using power values submitted by the notifying administration in items C.8.a.1/C.8.b.1 of Appendix 4) of the incumbent network is used.

If no C/N objectives are submitted by notifying administrations (since this was not required in the past), the calculated C/N values are used.

In respect of C/N ratio calculations used to define single entry protection criteria (C/I required), Table 2 of Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2 (see below) defines " C/N_{tot} " as a "ratio (dB) of carrier to total noise power which includes all internal system noise and interference from other systems". Therefore, and to comply with this definition, an additional margin of 0.46 dB for cases involving wanted analogue TV emissions and 1.87 dB for other wanted emissions should be added to the margins calculated on the basis of the internal system noise values provided by the concerned administrations unless the submitted C/N objective already includes a margin to account for inter-system interference. Attachment 2 contains the calculation methodology used for deriving the above-mentioned additional margin.

For the identification of the required C/I with respect to networks received on or after 1 January 2005, whenever the submitted C/N objective is used, no additional margins should be added to the value submitted/provided since, following a revision of Appendix 4 by WRC-03, the C/N objective submitted after this date should already include a margin to account for inter-system interference. On the other hand, whenever the calculated C/N is used to identify the required C/I , as it may be the case according to Scenario II above, the relevant additional margin should be added to the value of the calculated C/N .

3.1 Interfering cases

Table 1 below presents a summary of the different interfering situations to be dealt with when performing C/I calculations.

TABLE 1
Interference cases

Desired Interfering	Digital	Analogue (TV-FM)	Analogue (other than TV-FM)	Other
Digital	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ¹ (I)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ¹ (II)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ¹ (III)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ¹ (XI)
Analogue (TV-FM)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (IV)	<u>Co-frequency:</u> use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ¹ (X) <u>Non co-frequency:</u> use relative protection ratio mask ³ (V)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (VI)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (XII)
Analogue (other than TV-FM)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (VII)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (VIII)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (IX)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (XIII)
Other	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (XIV)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (XV)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (XVI)	Use <i>C/I</i> plus interference adjustment factor ² (XVII)

¹ Interference adjustment factor for Cases I, II, III, X and XI is the same (see § 2.1.1 of Attachment 1).

² Interference adjustment factor for Cases IV, VI to IX and XII to XVII is the same (see § 3.5 below).

³ See § 3.1 of Attachment 1.

The selection of an interference case defined in Table 1 above requires the identification of the type of each carrier. Taking into account the information submitted to the Bureau by administrations in accordance with Appendix 4 (i.e. the class of emission as defined in Annex 2 item C.7.a), the Bureau shall use the following carrier type definition:

– Analogue (TV-FM):

When the Class of Emission (item C.7.a of Annex 2 to Appendix 4) is defined with “F” for the first character and with “F” or “W” for the third character.

– Analogue (other than TV-FM):

When the first character of the Class of Emission is “F” and the third character is anything other than “F” or “W”.

– Digital:

When the first character of the Class of Emission is “G”.

– Other:

When the first character of the Class of Emission is anything other than “F” or “G”.

3.2 Margin M , C/I , C/N algorithms

The algorithms described in Attachment 1 shall be used to evaluate compliance with the mutually accepted interference criteria or with the single entry limits established in Table 2.

Table 2 provided below takes into account the information submitted to the Bureau by administrations in accordance with Appendix 4 and the carrier type definition in § 3.1 above and is a simplification of Table 2 of Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2.

TABLE 2
Single entry interference (SEI) protection criteria

Interfering carrier type Desired carrier type	Analogue (TV-FM) or other	Digital	Analogue (other than TV-FM)
Analogue (TV-FM)	$C/N_{tot} + 14$ (dB)		
Digital	If $DeNeBd \leq InEqBd$ then $C/N_{tot} + 9.4 + 3.5 \log(\delta) - 6 \log(i/10)$ (dB) (i.e. $C/N_{tot} + 5.5 + 3.5 \log(DeNeBd \text{ (MHz)})$) Otherwise if $DeNeBd > InEqBd$ then $C/N_{tot} + 12.2$ (dB)	$C/N_{tot} + 12.2$ (dB)	
Analogue (other than TV-FM)	$13.5 + 2 \log(\delta) - 3 \log(i/10)$ (dB) (i.e. $11.4 + 2 \log(DeNeBd \text{ (MHz)})$)	$C/N_{tot} + 12.2$ (dB)	
Other	$13.5 + 2 \log(\delta) - 3 \log(i/10)$ (dB) (i.e. $11.4 + 2 \log(DeNeBd \text{ (MHz)})$)	$C/N_{tot} + 14$ (dB)	

where:

C/N_{tot} : ratio (dB) of carrier to total noise power which includes all internal system noise and interference from other systems

DeNeBd: necessary bandwidth of desired carrier (Appendix 4, Annex 2, item C.7.a)

InEqBd: equivalent bandwidth of interfering carrier (equal to total power to power density ratio (see Appendix 4, Annex 2, items C.8.a.1 and C.8.a.2 respectively))

δ : ratio of desired signal bandwidth to peak-to-peak deviation of the TV carrier caused by the energy dispersal signal (a peak-to-peak deviation of 4 MHz is used in all cases)

i : pre-demodulation interference power in the desired signal bandwidth expressed as a percentage of the total pre-demodulation noise power (a value of 20 is used in all cases).

3.3 Single channel per carrier (SCPC) cases

When dealing with composite interference from a number of narrow-band carriers such as a transponder loaded with SCPC carriers the assumption is made, in the absence of more detailed data from administrations, that the interfering satellite has its transponder fully loaded with SCPC carriers and the individual carriers can be replaced with one wideband carrier which has a total power equal to the sum of the powers of the individual SCPC carriers. The protection ratios given in Recommendation ITU-R S.671 are used to protect SCPC transmissions interfered with by analogue television carriers only modulated with energy dispersal signals.

3.4 Interference between analogue FDM-FM signals (Case (IX) in Table 1 above)

When dealing with FDM-FM carriers, and to find out the resulting margin, the C/I ratio is calculated and compared with the required C/I . However a $C/N + K$ type protection criteria is developed based on the equations of Recommendation ITU-R SF.766 which are required to calculate the B factor (interference reduction factor). In the absence of detailed information for the calculation of the B factor, the interference adjustment factor described in § 3.5 below shall be used.

3.5 Other interference cases

For cases (IV), (VI), (VII), (VIII), IX and (XI) to (XVII) in Table 1 above, the interference adjustment factor mentioned in § 3 above shall be used. In calculating this factor consideration shall be given to the third paragraph of § 3.4 of Annex 1 to Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2.

ATTACHMENT 1

Calculation algorithms (M , C/I , C/N)

1 Margin algorithm

To compute the margins, it is necessary first to determine the required $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_m$ value, which is a function of the C/N and the K factor:

$$\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_m = \left(\frac{C}{N_{tot}}\right) + K$$

where:

$\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_m$: required C/I value (dB)

$\left(\frac{C}{N_{tot}}\right)$: ratio (dB) of carrier to total noise power which includes all internal system noise and interference from other systems

K : factor used in computing the required C/I (dB). Generally, this will be either 14.0 or 12.2, depending on the modulation characteristics of the desired signals (see Recommendations ITU-R S.483 and ITU-R S.523).

The total carrier-to-noise ratio is defined, as follows:

a) For receiving frequency assignments of a network received before 1 January 2005:

- Scenario I (as defined in Section 3):

$$\left(\frac{C}{N_{tot}}\right) = \left(\frac{C}{N}\right)_{obj} - X$$

- Scenario II:

$$\left(\frac{C}{N_{tot}}\right) = \text{MIN}\left(\frac{C}{N_i}, \left(\frac{C}{N}\right)_{obj}\right) - X$$

b) For receiving frequency assignments of a network received on and after 1 January 2005:

- Scenario I:

$$\left(\frac{C}{N_{tot}}\right) = \left(\frac{C}{N}\right)_{obj}$$

- Scenario II:

$$\left(\frac{C}{N_{tot}}\right) = \text{MIN}\left(\frac{C}{N_i} - X, \left(\frac{C}{N}\right)_{obj}\right)$$

where:

X : Additional margin (see Attachment 2, Sections 3 to 5) to comply with the definition of carrier to total noise power, which includes all internal system noise and interference from other systems. Attachment 2 contains the methodology used for deriving the additional margin.

C/N_i : Calculated value of carrier-to-noise ratio, based on internal system noise power, defined in Section 3 below.

$(C/N)_{obj}$: C/N objective of the network (see item C.8.e.1 of Annex 2 of Appendix 4) submitted by the notifying administration for examination under No. **11.32A**.

Since $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_m$ and $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a$ will vary depending on the geographical location within the service area, both values are computed:

- At the geographical locations of the associated specific earth stations, if any, or,
- In case of associated typical earth stations, at the test point located within the service area where the $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a$ value is minimum in accordance with the method given in Attachment 3.

The margin is the difference between the calculated C/I value and the required C/I value:

$$M = \left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a - \left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_m$$

where:

- M : margin (dB)
- $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a$: adjusted value of C/I , taking into account the interference adjustment factor (dB)
- $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_m$: required C/I value (dB) computed above.

Therefore, substituting:

$$M = \left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a - \left(\frac{C}{N_{tot}}\right) - K$$

2 The $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a$ algorithm for interfering situations

The basic C/I is adjusted as follows:

$$\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a = \left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_b - I_a$$

where:

- $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a$: adjusted value of C/I , taking into account the interference adjustment factor (dB)
- $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_b$: basic calculated value of C/I , before taking into account the interference adjustment factor (dB)
- I_a : interference adjustment factor (dB).

2.1 Determination of interference adjustment factor

2.1.1 Interference from noise-like digital carriers (interference adjustment factor 1)

The current version of Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2 covers the case of co-frequency interference from noise-like digital carriers. For non-co-frequency interference, an interference adjustment factor (or bandwidth advantage factor) resulted from the work of ITU-R study groups concerning the methodology to treat cases of frequency offset carriers. This is reflected in the application of a factor A defined below (mentioned as I_a in § 2 above).

For the case of frequency offset between carriers, the resultant C/I can be determined by the following equation:

$$C/I = 10 \log (c/i) - A$$

where A is the bandwidth advantage factor (dB).

The factor A is the ratio of the interfering carrier power contained in the desired signal bandwidth to the total interfering carrier power under the assumption that the interfering carrier has uniform power spectral density across its occupied bandwidth.

2.1.2 Interference from noise-like analogue carriers (interference adjustment factor 2)

For these cases, the resultant C/I can be determined by using the equation in § 2.1.1 above where the factor A is the ratio of the interfering carrier power contained in the desired signal bandwidth to the interfering carrier power with the approximation that the power spectral density of the interfering carrier is constant over the bandwidth of the desired carrier and is equal to the maximum value (see the third paragraph of § 3.4 of Annex 1 to Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2).

3 The C/N algorithm

The algorithm for C/N requires the computation of the value of N , as follows:

$$N_i = -228,6 + 10 [\log_{10}(T_R) + 6 + \log_{10}(BW)]$$

where:

N_i : value of internal system noise (dBW)

T_R : receiving system noise temperature (K)

BW : bandwidth (MHz).

The value of N_i is determined once for the uplink (if there is an uplink) and once for the downlink (if there is a downlink) for the desired system.

Once N_i is determined, C/N_i will be computed at each uplink test point (if there is an uplink) and each downlink test point (if there is a downlink):

$$\left(\frac{C}{N_i} \right) = C - N_i$$

where:

C : carrier (dBW)

N_i : internal system noise (dBW) computed above.

3.1 Determination of relative protection ratio for Case (V) in Table 1 above (TV-FM) into (TV-FM)

When dealing with a non-co-frequency interfering situation from a TV-FM carrier into another TV-FM carrier, the Radiocommunication Bureau is using the protection ratio masks defined in the Rules of Procedure relating to § 3.5.1 and § 3.8 of Annex 5 to Appendix 30 for the same case of interference. The resulting protection ratio relaxation is applied to the K factor of 14.0 dB established by Recommendation ITU-R S.483.

ATTACHMENT 2

Additional margins to be taken into consideration

1 Introduction

To finally assess the interfering effect on a given emission, it is necessary to adjust the resulting margins taking into consideration the definition of C/N given by Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2 which, for most of the cases, is the performance reference necessary to derive the single entry interference criteria levels for FSS carriers (see Table 2 of Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2).

In the above-mentioned Table C/N is defined as: “ratio (dB) of carrier to total noise power which includes all internal system noise and interference from other systems”.

2 Calculations performed according to No. 1.174

No. 1.174 defines the equivalent satellite link noise temperature as follows:

“The noise temperature referred to the output of the receiving antenna of the earth station corresponding to the radio frequency noise power which produces the total observed noise at the output of the satellite link excluding the noise due to interference coming from satellite links using other satellites and from terrestrial systems.”

The internal system noise temperature values provided by the administrations to derive the internal system noise, N , i.e., T_s and T_e are defined in Appendix 8 as follows:

“ T_s : the receiving system noise temperature of the space station, referred to the output of the receiving antenna of the space station (K)”

“ T_e : the receiving system noise temperature of the earth station, referred to the output of the receiving antenna of the earth station (K).”

The above-mentioned values are combined in accordance with Recommendation ITU-R S.738 to derive T_{min} , lowest equivalent satellite link noise temperature, as follows:

$$T_{min} = T_e + \gamma_{min} T_s + T_a$$

where:

T_a : other internal noise

γ_{min} : minimum transmission gain of a specific satellite link subject to interference.

Calculation of equivalent satellite link was mandatory before WRC-2000. After the decisions of WRC-2000 RR, Appendix 4 strapping information in Appendix 4, which is required to conduct overall link calculations became optional.

Therefore, and for simplicity T_s and T_e are used separately to conduct uplink and downlink C/I calculations respectively for all the cases.

3 Noise to be calculated in accordance with Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2

To be in accordance with Recommendation ITU-R S.741-2 it seems necessary to add to the values of N calculated by the program on the basis of T_e and T_s mentioned above, the maximum permissible level of aggregate interference caused by other satellite systems as appears in Recommendations ITU-R S.466 (for FDM-FM telephony), ITU-R S.483 (for TV analogue) and ITU-R S.523 (for digital emissions) as well as the contribution of terrestrial emissions sharing the same frequency bands as defined in Recommendations ITU-R SF.356-4* (into telephone channels employing frequency modulation), and ITU-R SF.558-2** (into systems employing 8-bit PCM encoded telephony).

4 Calculations of additional margins

4.1 Telephony FDM-FM

4.1.1 Aggregate interference produced by other satellite systems sharing the same frequency band (Recommendation ITU-R S.466)

In accordance with Recommendation ITU-R S.466, in frequency bands in which the network does not practice frequency re-use: the aggregate interference noise power should not exceed 2 500 pW0p, psophometrically weighted one minute mean power for more than 20% of any month. This amount corresponds to the 25% of the allowable noise power of 10 000 pW0p established by Recommendation ITU-R S.353-8*** for the same percentage of time.

4.1.2 Maximum allowable values of aggregate interference from radio-relay systems in a telephone channel of a system in the FSS (Recommendation ITU-R SF.356-4*)

In accordance with this Recommendation the interference caused by the aggregate of the transmitters of radio-relay stations should not exceed 1 000 pW0p psophometrically weighted one minute mean power for more than 20% of any month. This amount corresponds to 10% of the allowable noise power of 10 000 pW0p established by Recommendation ITU-R S.353-8*** for the same percentage of time.

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Recommendation was suppressed on 20/02/2014 (CACE/667).

** *Note by the Secretariat:* This Recommendation was suppressed on 15/06/2009 (CACE/482).

*** *Note by the Secretariat:* This Recommendation was suppressed on 29/09/2014 (CACE/692).

4.1.3 Calculation of the additional margin

N_{tot} : total link noise including all internal noise and interference from other systems

N_i : link internal noise

X : noise due to interference from other systems

then:

$$N_{tot} = N_i + X$$

where:

$$X = (0.25 + 0.1) N_{tot}$$

Therefore:

$$N_{tot} = N_i + 0.35 N_{tot}$$

$$N_{tot}(1 - 0.35) = N_i$$

$$N_{tot} = 1.53 N_i$$

Additional margin: $10 * \log(1.53) = 1.87$ dB.

4.2 Digital emissions

4.2.1 Aggregate interference produced by other satellite systems sharing the same frequency band (Recommendation ITU-R S.523)

In accordance with Recommendation ITU-R S.523, in frequency bands in which the network does not practice frequency re-use: the aggregate interference power level averaged over any 10 min, should not exceed, for more than 20% of any month, 25% of the total noise power level at the input to the demodulator that would give rise to a bit error ratio of 1 in 10^6 as it is established by Recommendation ITU-R S.522 for the same percentage of time.

4.2.2 Maximum allowable values of aggregate interference from radio-relay systems into systems in the FSS. employing 8-bit PCM encoded telephony (Recommendation ITU-R SF.558-2*)

In accordance with this Recommendation the interference caused by the aggregate of the transmitters of radio-relay stations, averaged over any 10 min, should not exceed, for more than 20% of any month, 10% of the total noise power at the input of the demodulator that would give rise to a bit error ratio of 1 in 10^6 as it is established by Recommendation ITU-R S.522 for the same percentage of time.

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Recommendation was suppressed on 15/06/2009 (CACE/482).

4.2.3 Calculation of the additional margin

The same values as in § 4.1.3 above are obtained.

4.3 Analogue TV

4.3.1 Aggregate interference produced by other satellite systems sharing the same frequency band (Recommendation ITU-R S.483)

In accordance with Recommendation ITU-R S.483, the aggregate interference noise power should not exceed 10% of the permissible video noise in the hypothetical reference circuit for more than 1% of the month.

4.3.2 Maximum allowable values of aggregate interference from radio-relay systems into FSS analogue video channel

No recommendations have been arrived at yet for interference from transmitters of the fixed service into FSS analogue video channel.

4.3.3 Calculation of the additional margin

$$N_{tot} = N_i + 0.1 N_{tot}$$

$$N_{tot}(1 - 0.1) = N_i$$

$$N_{tot} = 1.11 N_i$$

$$\text{Additional margin: } 10 * \log(1.11) = 0.46 \text{ dB.}$$

5 Based on the above a value of 0.46 dB should be added to the margins involving wanted analogue TV emissions and 1.87 dB for other wanted emissions.

ATTACHMENT 3

Finding test-points for C/I calculation

1 Introduction

The assessment of probability of harmful interference shall be based on:

- one test-point in downlink within the service area of wanted satellite where the $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a$ value is minimum;
- two test-points in uplink wanted and interfering links producing minimum value of $\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a$.

$\left(\frac{C}{I}\right)_a$ has minimum value when wanted signal is at minimum and interference signal is at maximum.

2 Test-point for the downlink C/I calculation

The position of a wanted receiving earth station for which C/I is calculated is selected using the following criteria:

- Earth station is located within service area of wanted satellite;
- Earth station is visible from interfering satellite;
- The difference between satellite gain of wanted satellite and satellite gain of interfering satellite towards wanted earth station is at minimum.

The minimum gain difference is identified following the procedure below:

- Generating grid-points within wanted satellite service area A_W ;
- Finding wanted satellite gain G_W towards each of the grid-point $a \in A_W$;
- Finding interfering satellite gain G_I towards each of the grid-point $a \in A_W$;
- Finding the grid-point a_{\min} where the difference between satellite gains towards each satellite is at minimum, i.e. $Min[G_W(a_{\min}) - G_I(a_{\min})]$.

The Bureau developed GIMS gain interpolation library to find the satellite gain for all the grid-points.

Figure A3-1 below gives a graphical example of the identified test-point.

3 Test-points for the uplink C/I calculation

For the uplink calculation, it is necessary to identify locations of two earth stations – one transmitting earth station in the wanted link and another transmitting station in the interfering link.

The position of these earth stations are selected using the following criteria:

- Wanted earth station is located within service area of wanted satellite;
- Interfering earth station is located within service area of interfering satellite;
- Interfering earth station is visible from wanted satellite;
- The difference between wanted satellite gain towards wanted earth station and interfering earth station is at minimum.

The minimum gain difference is identified following the procedure below:

- Generating grid-points within wanted satellite service area A_W ;
- Generating grid-points within interfering satellite service area A_I ;
- Finding wanted satellite gain G_W towards each of the grid-point in A_W ;
- Selecting test-point $a_W \in A_W$ where wanted satellite gain is at minimum $G_{W_{\min}}$;
- Finding wanted satellite gain G_W towards each of the grid-point in A_I ;
- Selecting test-point $a_I \in A_I$ where wanted satellite gain is at maximum $G_{W_{\max}}$.

Figure A3-2 below gives graphical example of the procedure used.

FIGURE A3-1

Finding worst-test point on the downlink

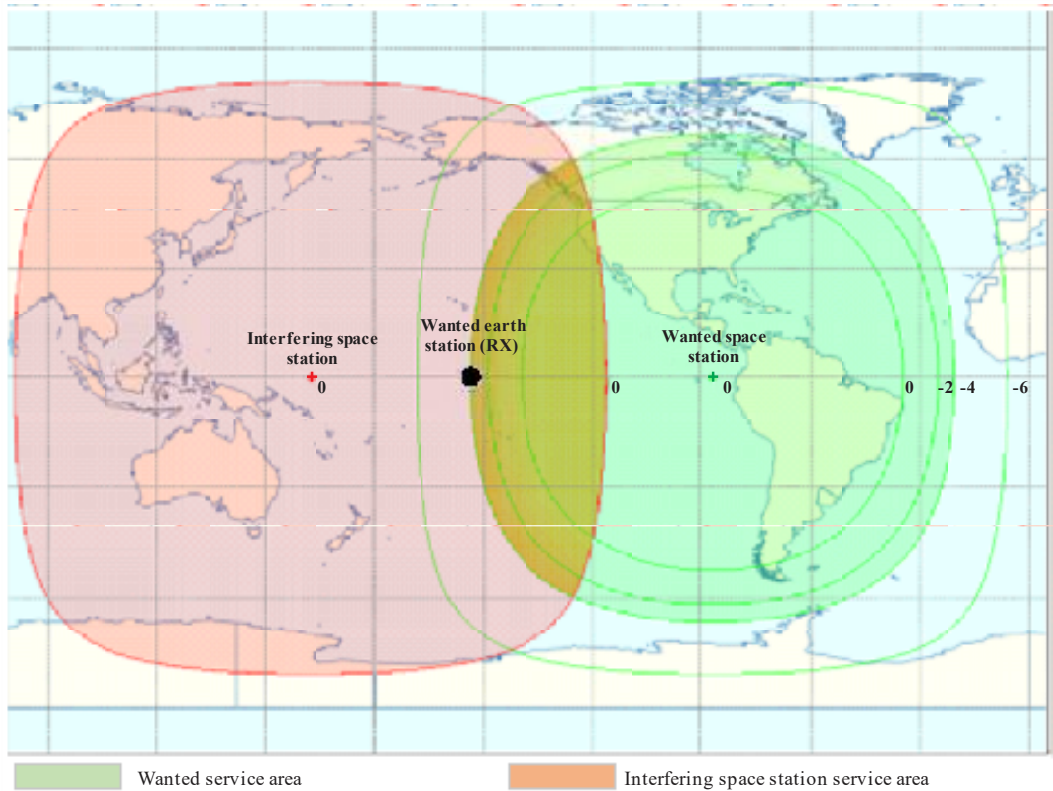
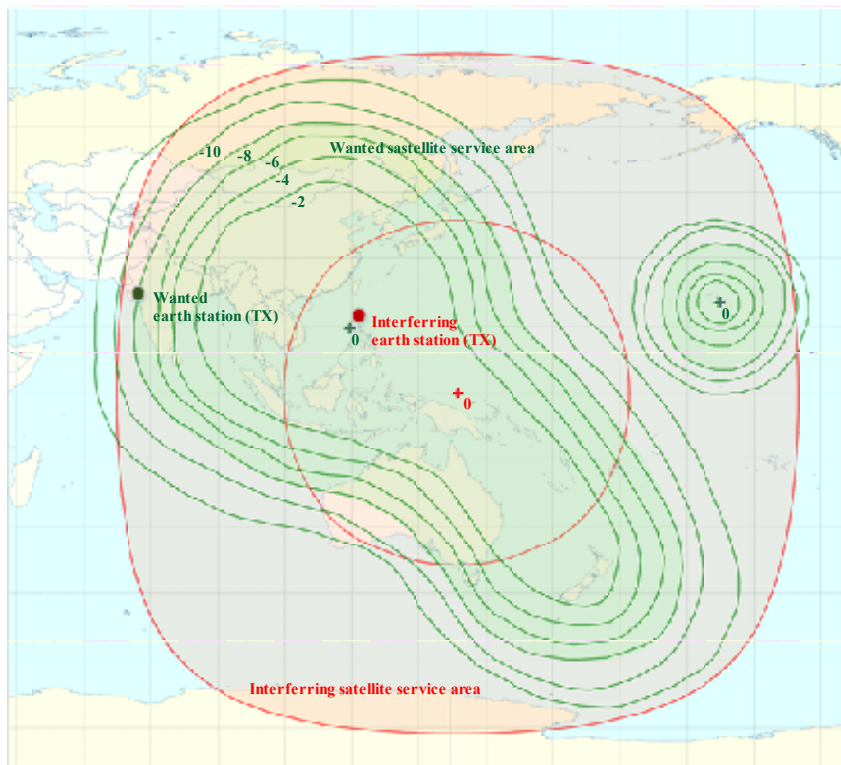


FIGURE A3-2
Finding worst-test points on the uplink



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PART B

SECTION B4

Rules concerning calculation methodology and technical standards for determining the affected administrations and for assessing the probability of harmful interference in the bands between 9 kHz and 28 000 kHz

Introduction

This Section contains elements of the calculation methodology which is to be used:

- for identification of administrations whose agreement has to be sought in the application of No. **9.21**, in the context of the relevant frequency allocation footnotes, i.e. Nos. **5.61**, **5.87A**, **5.92**¹, **5.93** and **5.123**, in the bands between 9 kHz and 28 000 kHz;
- for assessing the probability of harmful interference, in the bands between 9 kHz and 28 000 kHz, as may be required in the application of the provisions of No. **7.6**, or in any other Radiocommunication Bureau's study as may be requested.

1 Technical Standard A-1: Signal/interference protection ratio

1.1 The present Technical Standard contains the signal-to-interference protection ratio values (see Table 1) for application in the technical examinations of notices of frequency assignments in the frequency bands between 9 kHz and 28 000 kHz.

1.2 These protection ratio values are based on results of the studies within Radiocommunication Study Groups (see Recommendations ITU-R F.240-7, ITU-R SM.326-6, ITU-R-F.339-7 and former Recommendation ITU-R SM.669-1).

1.3 The signal-to-interference protection ratio (PR) values are expressed in dB, for the main types of transmission (from telegraphy, aural reception to telephony, for connection to the public network) to be protected in the technical examinations in the frequency bands from 9 kHz to 28 000 kHz. These values of protection ratios have been determined from RF steady state protection ratio values by adding allowances for long-term intensity fluctuation and short period fading for a given time percentage corresponding to the performance quality criteria applicable to each type of transmission.

¹ For cases under No. **5.92** the Rules of Procedure of Section B5 also apply.

1.4 For the calculation of the signal/interference ratios both the wanted and the interference field strength are considered as median values (exceeded 50% of the time) and on the basis of peak envelope power (p.e.p.; notified power type: *PX*). Types of power other than p.e.p. (notified as *PY* or *PZ* for, respectively, mean or carrier power) are converted to p.e.p. using conversion factors given in Table 2.

TABLE 1
RF signal-to-interference protection ratios (dB)

Transmission type		Frequency band (kHz)		
		9-1 606.5	1 606.5-4 000	4 000-28 000
Telegraphy, aural reception		8 (3-7)	11 (5-10)	15 (7-14)
Telegraphy, aural reception; Meteo, Press		9 (3-8)	13 (5-12)	17 (7-16)
Telegraphy, automatic reception, without error correction		11 (6-10)	17 (10-16)	26 (13-25)
Telegraphy, automatic reception, with error correction		8 (6-7)	12 (7-11)	14 (8-13)
Photo telegraphy, facsimile		19 (14-18)	24 (16-23)	28 (18-27)
Telephony, <i>not</i> for connection to public network (CO)	DSB and SSB full carrier	18 (15-17)	21 (17-20)	24 (19-23)
	SSB, reduced or suppressed carrier, ISB	12 (9-11)	15 (11-14)	18 (13-17)
Telephony, for connection to public network (CP)	DSB and SSB full carrier	31 (26-30)	34 (28-33)	38 (30-37)
	SSB, reduced or suppressed carrier, ISB	25 (20-24)	28 (22-27)	32 (24-31)
Broadcasting (except for HFBC in exclusive bands and MFBC in the band 526.5-1 705 kHz)		38 (33-37)	38 (32-37)	38 (32-37)
Aeronautical mobile service (telegraphy or telephony)		15	15	15
Radiobeacons		15	15	–
Digital transmission, SSB, suppressed carrier (J2D class of emission)		9	9	9

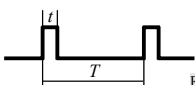
1.5 For each transmission type, two time percentages are used: one (e.g. 99% of the time) which is intended to fully satisfy the required performance quality criteria in the fading signal environment when the wanted signal is at its weakest level at the instant when the interference signal is likely to be at its strongest level (the protection ratio values corresponding to this condition are shown in Table 1 outside the parenthesis), and another one (e.g. 75 %) which ensures protection during a lesser percentage of time (values in brackets in Table 1).

TABLE 2

Conversion factors for different notified power types

Class of emission	Notified power type	Conversion ^{1,2}	
		mean to p.e.p.	p.e.p. to mean
N0N	Z	0	0
A1A, A1B, A1C	X	-	-3
A2A, A2B, A2N	Y	+4	-
H2A, H2B, H2N, D2A	Y	+3	-
R2B, J2B	X	-	-3
A3E(BC)	Z	+6	0
A3E, H3E	Y	+4 (3-6)	-
R3E, J3E	X	-	-4 (4-10)
A3C	Y	+4	-
R3C, J3C	X	-	0
A7B, H7B	Y	+4	-
R7C, J7C	X	-	-4 (3-6)
B7B	X	-	-4
B8E	X	-	-4 (3-13)
B8C	X	-	0
AXX	Y	+6	-
BXX, JXX	X	-	-4 (3-10)
B9W	X	-	-4
F, G/1,2,3,7, X/B,C,D,X	Y	0	-
P,L,M,X/any	X	-	$10 \log (t/T)$
K2B	X	-	$10 \log (t/T) - 5$
K3E	X	-	$10 \log (t/T) - 4$

¹ In the case where in, brackets, more than one figure is given, these figures refer to different modulating signal conditions (e.g. smoothly read text instead of sinusoidal modulating signal at 100% carrier modulation) (see Recommendation ITU-R SM.326-6).

² In the case of pulse modulation:  RP/B4-01a

2 Technical Standard A-2: Minimum field strength to be protected

2.1 The present Technical Standard contains values for the minimum field strength to be protected (see Tables 1 to 4 and 5A and 5B) for application in the technical examinations of notices of frequency assignments in the frequency bands between 9 kHz and 28 000 kHz.

2.2 The values contained in this Standard are based on Recommendations ITU-R F.339-7 and ITU-R P.372-8².

2.3 The aim of calculating the minimum field strength to be protected within the technical examinations is to determine the field strength at the receiving point below which the wanted signal is not worth protecting against interfering signals because the wanted signal-to-noise ratio is smaller than that which could satisfy the required performance quality criteria without interference.

2.4 Technical Standard A-2 contains values for the minimum field strength to be protected (dB relative to 1 $\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$) for the main types of transmissions (from telegraphy, aural reception, to telephony, for connection to the public network and to digital transmissions) in the frequency bands from 9 kHz to 28 000 kHz. These values of the minimum field strength have been determined from the median values (exceeded 50% of time) of the noise level (atmospheric, man-made or galactic) and the steady state ratio, S/N by adding appropriate allowances for 90% of time to take into account the noise level variation, D_u , and the intensity fluctuation of the wanted signal, IF.

2.5 The assessment of the minimum field strength to be protected is based on a uniform reference power type: the peak envelope power (p.e.p. notified as PX). Types of power other than p.e.p. (notified as PY or PZ for, respectively, mean or carrier power) are converted to p.e.p. using conversion factors given in Table 2 of Technical Standard A-1.

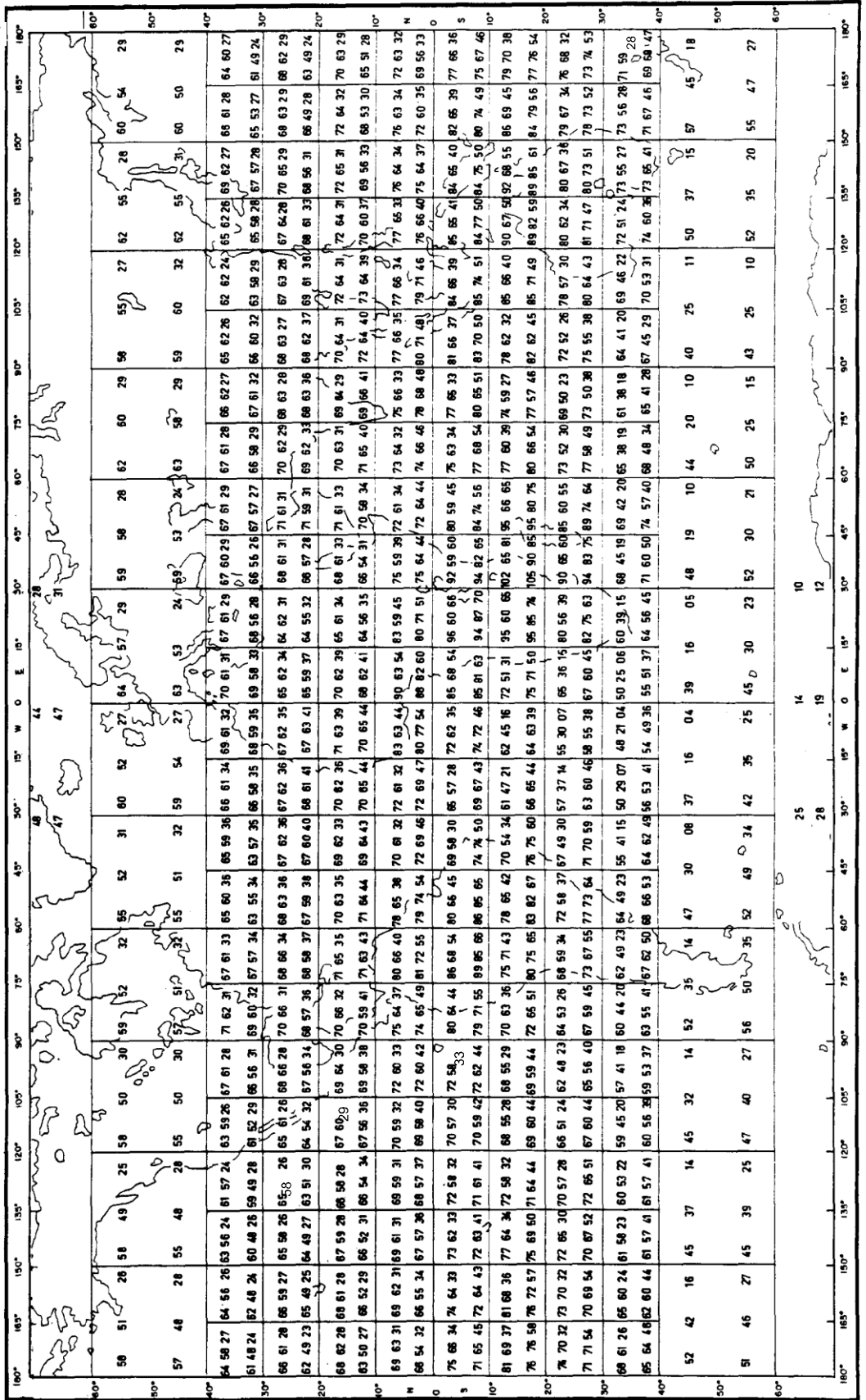
2.6 Technical Standard A-2 contains four tables (Tables 1 to 4) giving the noise grades expressed as median of hourly values of the radio noise power in a short vertical antenna relative to the thermal noise, at a frequency of 1 MHz, in terms of latitude and longitude of the receiving point. Separate tables are given for four periods of the year (DC, MR, JN and SE), and in each table the noise grade is given for each of six local time blocks of four consecutive hours (N2, T1, J1, J2, T2, N1). Tables 1 to 4 are superimposed on an outline map of the world.

2.7 Tables 5A and 5B give, for the various types of transmission, the minimum value of the field to be protected (dB relative to 1 $\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$) in terms of the noise grades obtained from Tables 1 to 4, the frequency used and the time of transmission. In working with Tables 1 to 5B, interpolations are usually necessary as a result of restricting the size of these Tables to manageable proportions.

² This Recommendation replaced ex-CCIR Report 322.

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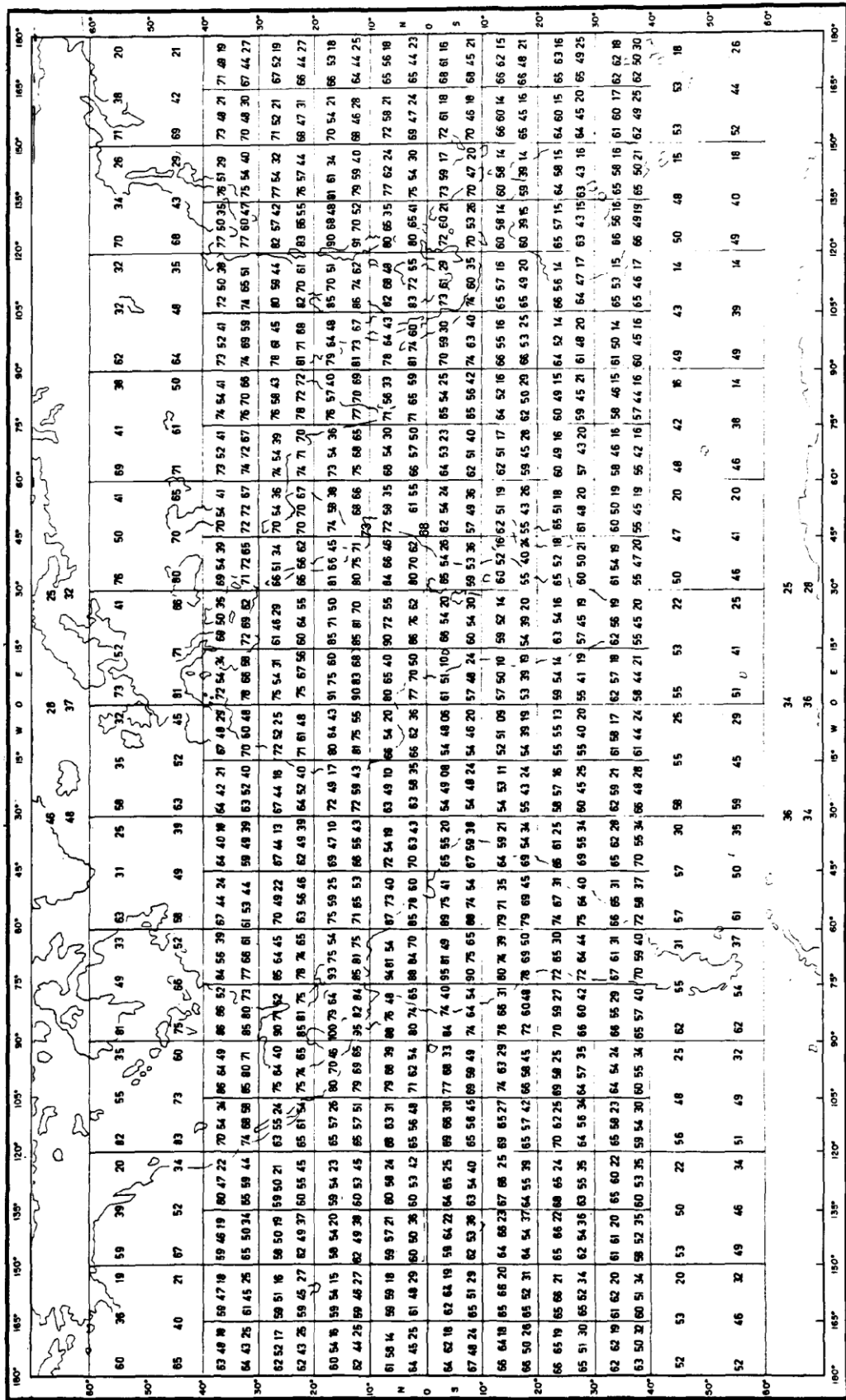
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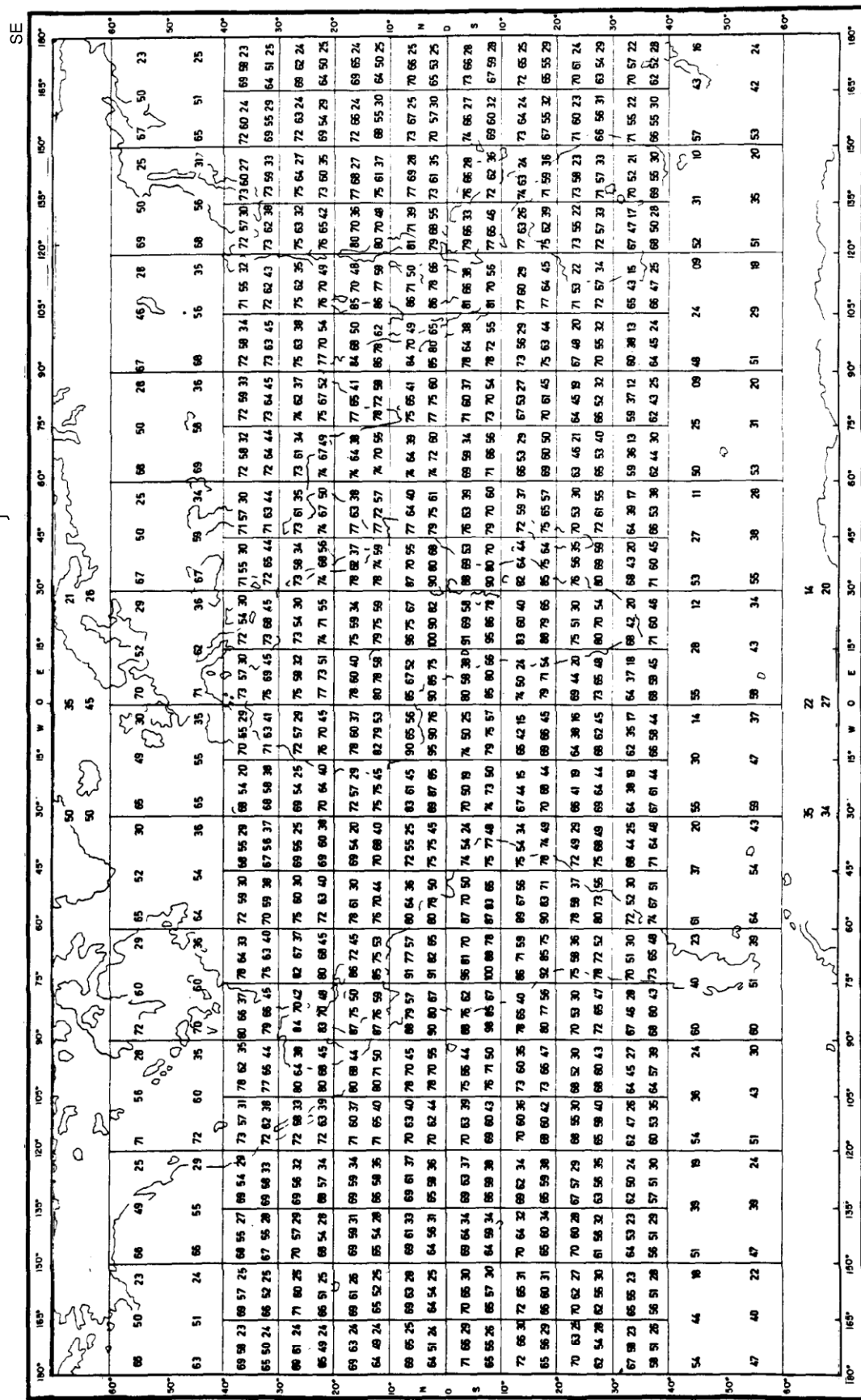
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3 Technical Standard A-3: Frequency discrimination

3.1 The present Technical Standard contains values for “receiver discrimination” that are defined as a correction (dB), to be applied to the signal-to-interference ratio and are expressed as a function of the frequency separation between the wanted and unwanted emissions (Δf). The term “receiver discrimination” is equivalent to the definition of “relative RF protection ratio”.

3.2 The values contained in this Technical Standard were determined on the basis of:

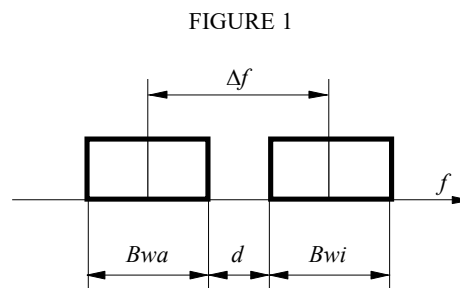
- the selectivity of typical receivers assumed to be used for different classes of emission, and
- the necessary bandwidth occupied by the interfering stations, together with the energy distribution of the power within and outside the bandwidth.

3.3 Data that are used for the establishment of this Standard were extracted from the Recommendations ITU-R SM.328-8 and ITU-R SM.332-4; they are summarized in Table 1.

3.4 The method of calculation of the values of Technical Standard A-3 consisted in considering the energy accepted by the receiver tuned to a frequency of a given frequency separation (Δf) and comparing this energy with the one that the receiver would accept if tuned to the assigned frequency of the emission ($\Delta f = 0$).

3.5 The value of the discrimination, in cases where the wanted emission bandwidth overlaps with the receiver passband, depends on both the transmitted spectrum and the receiver selectivity curve. However, in cases of higher frequency separation (where there is no overlapping) the discrimination is determined mainly by the slope of out-of-band emission.

3.6 The values of the receiver discrimination are given in Table 2 in terms of the frequency discrimination factor, d . The frequency discrimination factor d represents the difference between the limits of the bandwidths, as indicated in Fig. 1 below.



$$d = \Delta f - 0.5 (Bwa + Bwi)$$

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3.7 In this approach, the likelihood of mutual interference is not considered in cases where the notified bandwidths of the emissions are separated more than 500 Hz (i.e. for $d > 0.5$).

TABLE 1
Assumed characteristics of receivers of wanted emissions and characteristics of interfering emissions

Class of emission	Receiver of wanted emission		Interfering emission		
	Assumed passband (kHz)	Attenuation slope (dB/kHz)	Necessary bandwidth (kHz)	Level of components at the edge of the necessary bandwidth (dB)	Slope of out-of-band spectrum
A1A (9-1 605 kHz)	0.3, 0.5, 0.75 or 1 kHz, depending on notified bandwidth of wanted emission	120	As notified	-27 at $\pm 5 B/2$	-57 dB at $\pm 5 B$, then 12 dB/oct
A1A (1 605-28 000 kHz) (<i>B</i> : up to 200 Bd)	1	120	As notified	-27 at $\pm 5 B/2$	-57 dB at $\pm 5 B$, then 12 dB/oct
F1B (9-1 605 kHz)	0.3, 0.5, 0.75, 1 or 1.5 kHz, depending on notified bandwidth of wanted emission	120	As notified	-15	13 + 1.8 <i>m</i> = 20 dB/oct
F1B (1 605-28 000 kHz) (2 <i>D</i> = 200 to 400 Hz, <i>B</i> : up to 200 Bd, <i>m</i> = 2 to 6)	1.5	120	As notified	-15 at 2.6 <i>D</i> + 0.55 <i>B</i>	13 + 1.8 <i>m</i> = 20 dB/oct
A2A, A2B (<i>F</i> : up to 1 000 Hz, <i>B</i> : up to 50 Bd)	2	120	As notified	-24 at $\pm(F + 5 B/2)$	12 dB/oct
A1C, A3C, A7B, AXX, F1C, F2B, F7B	2, 2.5, 3, 3.5, 4, 4.5, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 or 12 kHz depending on notified bandwidth of wanted emission	120	As notified	-15	20 dB/oct in respect to the outer channel
A3E	6	20	As notified	-23	12 dB/oct
R3E, H3E, J3E	3	100	As notified	-23	12 dB/oct
B8E	6, 9 or 12 kHz depending on notified bandwidth of wanted emission	100	As notified	-23	12 dB/oct

B: telegraphic speed (Bd)

2*D*: difference between mark and space frequencies

m: modulation index 2*D*/*B*

F: modulation frequency.

TABLE 2
Values of the frequency discrimination (dB) for different interfering emissions

d	100HA1A	500HA1A 500HA1B	1K00A1B	(A,H)2(A,B,N)	Other telegraphy	Telephony SSB-CP or ISB-CO/CP (with privacy device)	Telephony DSB-CP (with PD) SSB-CO (without PD)	Telephony DSB-CO (without PD)
-1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-0.9	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
-0.8	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
-0.7	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	3
-0.6	0	0	0	6	0	0	3	9
-0.5	0	0	0	6	0	3	9	15
-0.4	0	0	3	6	0	9	15	21
-0.3	0	0	9	6	0	13	19	25
-0.2	0	0	14	6	3	17	23	29
-0.1	0	11	18	6	6	19	25	31
0.0	10	17	22	6	10	21	27	33
0.1	20	26	30	17	20	28	34	38
0.2	30	34	37	28	30	37	40	44
0.3	40	43	45	38	40	44	46	49
0.4	50	51	52	49	50	52	53	55
0.5	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
> 0.5	> 60	> 60	> 60	> 60	> 60	> 60	> 60	> 60

d : receiver discrimination factor ($d = \Delta f - 0.5 (Bwa + Bwi)$)
 Bwa : passband of the receiver of wanted emission
 Bwi : bandwidth of interfering emission
 Δf : frequency separation between assigned frequencies.

4 Technical Standard A-5: Propagation and field strength calculations

4.1 The present Technical Standard contains information on the methodology used with respect to the propagation and field strength calculations, for application in the technical examinations of notices of frequency assignments in the frequency bands between 9 kHz and 28 000 kHz.

4.2 Paragraph 4.3 and Tables 1A to 5 of this Technical Standard deal with the field strength calculations in the frequency band between 9 kHz and 3 900 kHz. Paragraph 4.4 deals with the frequency bands between 3 900 kHz and 28 000 kHz.

4.3 Two modes of propagation are considered in the frequency bands between 9 kHz and 3 900 kHz: the ground-wave mode and the sky-wave mode. Values of field strength for these two modes of propagation are contained in Tables 1A and 2 to 5 of this Technical Standard in the form of tables as a function of the distance.

4.3.1 The field strength values contained in Tables 1A and 2 to 5 are expressed as median values (exceeded 50% of the time) (dB relative to 1 $\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$). They relate to a radiated power of 1 kW (30 dBW) from a loss-free halfwave dipole isolated in space that produces a field strength of 222 mV/m at a distance of 1 km from the antenna. Table 1B contains antenna efficiency factors (correction factors) to be applied in conjunction with Table 1A to consider differences between radiated and notified power values.

4.3.2 Field strength values for the ground-wave propagation mode are calculated on the basis of Recommendation ITU-R P.368-7 for the following reference values:

- propagation over sea: $\sigma = 4 \text{ S/m}$, $\epsilon_r = 80$;
- propagation over land: $\sigma = 10 \text{ mS/m}$, $\epsilon_r = 4$.

4.3.3 In the technical examinations, where the ground-wave propagation mode is involved, only homogeneous paths are considered, with no use of mixed-path methodology.

4.3.4 The tables of field strength values for the sky-wave propagation mode in the frequency bands between 9 kHz and 3 900 kHz contain only the value that corresponds to the strongest mode of propagation. These values have been consolidated from different sources (Recommendations ITU-R P.533-5, ITU-R P.684-1, ITU-R P.1147, ITU-R P.435-7^{3*}, etc.).

4.3.5 For the day-time propagation only the ground-wave mode is considered within the same time zone. For the night-time propagation both modes are considered; however, only the greater of the ground-wave and the sky-wave mode is used for subsequent calculations.

³ This Recommendation replaced ex-CCIR Report 264-1.

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Recommendation was suppressed by RA-95.

4.4 Concerning the calculation of the sky-wave in the bands between 3 900 kHz and 28 000 kHz, the Board noted that the ITU-R recommends the propagation method referred to in Annex 1 to Recommendation ITU-R P.533-5 as it has comparable accuracy to the other more complex methods. The Board also noted that the implementation of that method in the Bureau's calculation methodology for determining the affected administrations in the application of No. **9.21** may require considerable resources, which may not be justifiable having in mind the expected low volume of application of this methodology. Therefore, the Board decided that the following methodology is to be applied:

4.4.1 The monthly median values of the standard MUF (EJF) are calculated in accordance with Recommendation ITU-R P.434-5⁴* and Report ITU-R P.2011-1⁵, for two reference values (5 and 125) of the relative sunspot number R_{12} and for two selected months of the year (June and December).

4.4.2 The field-strength values are calculated in accordance with the methodology explained in the NBS Circular No. 462⁶.

⁴ This Recommendation replaced ex-CCIR Recommendation 434 (New Delhi, 1970).

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Recommendation was suppressed by RA-97.

⁵ This Report replaced ex-CCIR Report 340 (New Delhi, 1970).

⁶ This is the Circular of the USA National Bureau of Standards "Ionospheric Radio Propagation".

TABLE 1B
Antenna efficiency (correction factor)

Frequency band (kHz)	Class of station	Correction (dB)
9-70	Fixed, land and radionavigation land stations: – power above 1 kW – power equal to 1 kW – power below 1 kW	–10 –12 –15
70-150	Fixed, land and radionavigation land stations: – power above 1 kW – power equal to 1 kW – power below 1 kW	–7 –9 –12
150-535	Fixed, land and radionavigation land stations (except non-directional beacons): – power above 1 kW – power equal to 1 kW – power below 1 kW	–2 –4 –7

TABLE 2
Field strength (dB relative to 1 $\mu\text{V/m}$)

SEA

Distance (km)	1 605-2 300 kHz					2 300-2 850 kHz					Distance (km)		
	Ground wave	Sky wave				Ground wave	Sky wave						
		Noon (low solar activity)					Noon (low solar activity)						
		Latitude					Latitude						
	0°	30°	40°	50°	60°	Night	0°	30°	40°	50°	60°	Night	
10	86							86					10
50	72							72					50
100	65							65					100
200	57							57					200
300	50							50					300
400	43						41	43				43	400
500	38						41	37				43	500
600	32						41	30				43	600
700	27						41	24				43	700
800	22						41	18				43	800
900	16						40	12			1	42	900
1 000	11						39	7			-9	41	1 000
1 100	6						39	2			-13	41	1 100
1 200	0						38	-3			-15	40	1 200
1 300	-5						37	-9			-16	39	1 300
1 400	-10						36	-16			-18	38	1 400
1 500	-15						35	-15			-19	37	1 500
1 600							34				-20	36	1 600

TABLE 2
Field strength (dB relative to 1 $\mu\text{V/m}$) (end) SEA

Distance (km)	1 605-2 300 kHz					2 300-2 850 kHz					Distance (km)	
	Ground wave	Sky wave				Ground wave	Sky wave					
		Noon (low solar activity)					Noon (low solar activity)					
		Latitude					Latitude					
	0°	30°	40°	50°	60°		0°	30°	40°	50°	60°	
						Night						Night
1 700						33						36
1 800						33						35
1 900						32						34
2 000						32						34
2 200						31						33
2 400						30						32
2 600						29						31
2 800						28						30
3 000						27						29
3 200						26						27
3 400						25						26
3 600						23						24
3 800						21						22
4 000						19						20
4 500						15						16
5 000						10						11

The values for sky-wave field strength have not been included when they are less than the ground-wave, except when they make the interpolation easier.

TABLE 4
Field strength (dB relative to 1 $\mu\text{V/m}$)

LAND

Distance (km)	1 605-2 300 kHz					2 300-2 850 kHz					Distance (km)	
	Ground wave	Sky wave				Ground wave	Sky wave					
		Noon (low solar activity)					Noon (low solar activity)					
		Latitude					Latitude					
0°	30°	40°	50°	60°	Night	0°	30°	40°	50°	60°	Night	
10	78					75						10
50	48				46	45					46	50
100	34				43	21					44	100
200	17		10	15	21	13	12	13	16	20	43	200
300	5	2	3	4	16	-1	6	7	10	14	43	300
400	-8	-4	-3	-2	10	-15	-1	0	2	9	43	400
500		-7	-6	-5	6		-5	-4	-2	5	43	500
600		-9	-9	-8	2		-8	-7	-5	0	43	600
700		-11	-11	-10	-1		-10	-9	-7	-3	43	700
800		-12	-12	-11	-3		-11	-10	-9	-6	43	800
900		-13	-13	-12	-4		-12	-11	-10	-8	42	900
1 000		-14	-14	-13	-5		-13	-12	-11	-9	41	1 000
1 100		-15	-15	-14	-7		-14	-14	-13	-10	41	1 100
1 200		-16	-16	-15	-8		-15	-15	-14	-11	40	1 200
1 300		-17	-17	-16	-9		-16	-16	-15	-12	39	1 300
1 400		-18	-18	-17	-10		-18	-17	-16	-14	38	1 400
1 500		-20	-20	-19	-12		-19	-19	-18	-15	37	1 500
1 600		-21	-21	-20	-13		-20	-20	-19	-16	36	1 600

TABLE 4
Field strength (dB relative to 1 μ V/m) (*end*)

LAND

Distance (km)	1 605-2 300 kHz					2 300-2 850 kHz					Distance (km)		
	Ground wave	Sky wave				Ground wave	Sky wave						
		Noon (low solar activity)					Noon (low solar activity)						
		Latitude					Latitude						
	0°	30°	40°	50°	60°		0°	30°	40°	50°	60°		
							Night					Night	
1 700							33						36
1 800							33						35
1 900							32						34
2 000							32						34
2 200							31						33
2 400							30						32
2 600							29						31
2 800							28						30
3 000							27						29
3 200							26						27
3 400							25						26
3 600							23						24
3 800							21						22
4 000							19						20
4 500							15						16
5 000							10						11

The values for sky-wave field strength have not been included when they are less than the ground-wave, except when they make the interpolation easier.

TABLE 5
Field strength (dB relative to 1 $\mu\text{V/m}$)

LAND

Distance (km)	2 850-3 500 kHz										3 500-3 900 kHz									
	Ground wave	Sky wave					Ground wave	Sky wave					Ground wave	Sky wave						
		Noon (low solar activity)						Noon (low solar activity)						Night	Night					
		Latitude						Latitude												
0°	30°	40°	50°	60°	0°	10°	20°	30°	40°	50°	60°	0°	10°	20°	30°	40°	50°	60°		
10	71					67														10
50	41					37														50
100	27	26	27	28	28	23	26	27	28	28	23	27	28	29	30	31	35	40	47	100
200	14	17	18	22	25	4	17	18	22	25	4	24	25	26	27	29	32	37	47	200
300		9	10	15	20		9	10	15	20		19	20	21	22	25	29	34	47	300
400		2	3	5	15		2	3	5	15		14	15	16	17	21	26	32	47	400
500		-3	-2	1	11		-3	-2	1	11		5	8	11	14	19	24	30	47	500
600		-6	-5	-3	3		-6	-5	-3	3		0	1	6	11	16	21	28	46	600
700		-8	-7	-5	0		-8	-7	-5	0		-2	-1	1	5	12	17	26	46	700
800		-10	-9	-8	-3		-10	-9	-8	-3		-5	-4	-3	-2	8	13	24	45	800
900		-11	-10	-9	-5		-11	-10	-9	-5		-8	-6	-5	-4	4	12	21	44	900
1000		-12	-11	-10	-6		-12	-11	-10	-6		-10	-8	-6	-5	-2	10	18	43	1000
1100		-14	-13	-12	-8		-14	-13	-12	-8					-8	-3	5	16	42	1100
1200		-15	-14	-13	-10		-15	-14	-13	-10					-9	-5	1	14	42	1200
1300		-16	-15	-14	-11		-16	-15	-14	-11					-7	-1	-1	11	41	1300
1400		-18	-17	-16	-13		-18	-17	-16	-13					-9	-3	-3	8	40	1400
1500		-19	-19	-18	-14		-19	-19	-18	-14							-4	7	39	1500
1600		-20	-20	-19	-15		-20	-20	-19	-15							-5	5	38	1600

TABLE 5
Field strength (dB relative to 1 $\mu\text{V/m}$) (end)

Distance (km)	2 850-3 500 kHz							3 500-3 900 kHz							Distance (km)
	Ground wave	Sky wave						Ground wave	Sky wave						
		Noon (low solar activity)							Noon (low solar activity)						
		Latitude							Latitude						
0°	30°	40°	50°	60°	Night	0°	10°	20°	30°	40°	50°	60°	Night		
1 700						38								38	
1 800						37								37	
1 900						36								36	
2 000						35								35	
2 200						34								34	
2 400						33								33	
2 600						32								32	
2 800						31								31	
3 000						30								30	
3 200						28								28	
3 400						27								27	
3 600						25								26	
3 800						23								25	
4 000						21								23	
4 500						16								18	
5 000						11								13	

The values for sky-wave field strength have not been included when they are less than the ground-wave, except when they make the interpolation easier.

LAND

PART B

SECTION B5

Rules concerning criteria for applying the provisions of No. 9.36 to a frequency assignment in the bands governed by No. 5.92

1 The identification of the administrations with which coordination may need to be effected is based on the characteristics of the assignment that is subject to the procedure of No. **9.21** and the worst-case assumptions relating to the propagation characteristics and other technical parameters. These worst-case assumptions were developed on the basis of the Calculation Methodology as contained in Section B4 of the Rules of Procedure.

2 The provisions of No. **5.92** deal with the application of the procedure of No. **9.21** for radiodetermination systems, whose maximum “*radiated mean power*” is limited to 50 W. Since the term “*radiated mean power*” is not defined in the Radio Regulations, the Bureau applies this provision to the mean power supplied to the antenna transmission line (Item 8A of Appendix 4).

3 For identification of the administrations whose agreement may need to be obtained, the following criteria are applied:

3.1 the *coordination distance concept* is applied for protection of the services that are allocated according to Article 5;

3.2 the *case-by-case examination* is performed with respect to the assignments for which the procedure of No. **9.21** was completed or initiated.

4 For the application of the coordination distances concept appropriate Tables (Tables 1 and 2) were developed on the basis of the Technical Standards A-1 and A-2, as contained in the Calculation Methodology (Section B4 of the Rules of Procedure), using the telegraphy as reference transmission type, for night-time operation. This type of transmission was selected since it represents the worst-case condition for calculation of the coordination distances due to the low value of the minimum field strength to be protected. Table 1 relates to the protection ratio of 17 dB, which corresponds to the “upper value of Technical Standard A-1” concerning the RF signal-to-interference protection ratio for telegraphy, automatic reception without error correction, in the frequency band 1 606.5-4 000 kHz; countries outside the coordination area determined by these coordination distances are certainly not affected. Table 2 relates to the protection ratio of 5 dB, which corresponds to the “minimum limit of Technical Standard A-1” concerning the RF signal-to-interference protection ratio for telegraphy, aural reception, in the frequency band 1 606.5-4 000 kHz; countries within the coordination area determined by these coordination distances are certainly affected if their services use telegraphy. The countries situated between the two coordination contours have a slightly higher probability of harmful interference than that considered desirable for the referenced type of transmission.

5 However, with respect to allocations to the amateur service in these bands, the Bureau is not in a position to identify the countries whose amateur service could be affected and consequently one of the following notes is included in the appropriate Special Section:

- “In some countries of Region 1, the band 1 715-1 800 kHz, or part of it, is allocated to the amateur service. The Bureau has no means of identifying the countries whose amateur service could be affected.”
- “In Regions 2 and 3, except in countries mentioned in No. **5.102**, and in some countries in Region 1, the band 1 850-2 000 kHz, or part of it, is allocated to the amateur service. The Bureau has no means of identifying the countries whose amateur service could be affected.”
- “In Regions 1, 2 and 3, the band 3 500-3 750 kHz is allocated to the amateur service. The Bureau has no means of identifying the countries whose amateur service could be affected.”
- “In Regions 1, 2 and 3, except in countries mentioned in No. **5.122**, the band 3 750-3 800 kHz is allocated to the amateur service. The Bureau has no means of identifying the countries whose amateur service could be affected.”

TABLE 1

**Coordination distance for assuring protection ratio of 17 dB
(protected transmission: telegraphy, automatic reception)**

Noise degree	50	60	70	80
Minimum field strength (dB relative to 1 μ V/m)	4	13	22	30

Power (of the interfering transmission)		Coordination distance (km)			
1 W	0 dBW	4 400	3 400	1 800	800
3 W	5 dBW	4 900	3 900	2 800	1 400
10 W	10 dBW	5 000	4 500	3 500	2 200
30 W	15 dBW	5 000	5 000	4 000	3 100
50 W	17 dBW	5 000	5 000	4 200	3 400

TABLE 2

**Coordination distance for assuring protection ratio of 5 dB
(protected transmission: telegraphy, aural reception)**

Noise degree	50	60	70	80
Minimum field strength (dB relative to 1 μ V/m)	0	9	18	26

Power (of the interfering transmission)		Coordination distance (km)			
1 W	0 dBW	3 400	1 600	800	300
3 W	5 dBW	3 900	2 600	1 300	700
10 W	10 dBW	4 500	3 500	2 200	1 100
30 W	15 dBW	5 000	4 000	3 100	1 600
50 W	17 dBW	5 000	4 200	3 400	1 900

PART B

SECTION B6

Rules concerning criteria for applying the provisions of No. 9.36 to a frequency assignment in the terrestrial services whose allocation or identification is governed by Nos. 5.292, 5.293, 5.295, 5.295A, 5.296A, 5.297, 5.307A, 5.308, 5.308A, 5.309, 5.323, 5.325, 5.326, 5.341A, 5.341C, 5.346, 5.346A, 5.429F, 5.430A, 5.431A, 5.431B, 5.432B, 5.434A, 5.457F, 5.480A and 5.553A¹

1 The identification of the administrations with which coordination may need to be effected is based on the characteristics of the assignment that is subject to the procedure of No. 9.21 and the worst-case assumptions relating to the propagation characteristics and other technical parameters. These worst-case assumptions were developed on the basis of the information contained in various sources (GE06 Regional Agreement, ITU-R Recommendations and Reports), since the Radiocommunication Bureau has no Technical Standards for application in several frequency bands above 28 MHz.

2 For identification of the administrations whose agreement may need to be obtained, in the context of the provisions of Nos. 5.292, 5.293, 5.295, 5.295A, 5.296A, 5.297, 5.307A, 5.308, 5.308A, 5.309, 5.323, 5.325, 5.326, 5.341A, 5.341C, 5.346, 5.346A, 5.429F, 5.430A, 5.431A, 5.431B, 5.432B, 5.434A, 5.457F, 5.480A and 5.553A, the following criteria are applied:

2.1 the *coordination distance concept* is applied with respect to the services that are allocated according to Article 5 (these services are indicated in the Table below under the heading “Protected service”);

¹ WRC-23 deleted the reference to No. 9.21 from the modified Nos. 5.429D and 5.434 as explained in [Circular Letter CCRR/73](#).

TABLE 1 (MOD RRB26/530)

Applicability of No. 9.21

Footnote	Frequency band (MHz)	Allocated service in the frequency band or portions thereof, and subject to No. 9.21	Protected service
5.292 ¹	470-512	FS, MS	BS, MS
5.293 ¹	470-512 and 614-806	FS, MS	BS, MS
	645-806	FS, MS	ARNS
5.295	470-608	LMS (IMT)	BS, FS, MS
5.295A ³	470-694	LMS, MMS	BS, LMS, MMS
	606-614	LMS, MMS	RAS
	645-694	LMS, MMS	ARNS
5.296A	470-698	LMS (IMT)	BS, FS, MS
	585-610	LMS (IMT)	RNS
5.297	512-608	FS, MS	BS, MS
5.307A	614-694	LMS, MMS	BS, LMS, MMS
	645-694	LMS, MMS	ARNS
5.308	614-698	MS	BS, MS
5.308A	614-698	MS (IMT)	BS, MS
	645-698	MS (IMT)	ARNS
5.309 ¹	614-806	FS	BS, MS
5.323	862-960	ARNS	FS, MS
5.325 ¹	890-942	RLS	ARNS, FS, MS
5.326 ¹	903-905	LMS, MMS	FS, LMS
5.341A ²	1 429-1 452	LMS (IMT)	AMS
	1 492-1 518		
5.341C	1 429-1 452	LMS (IMT)	AMS
	1 492-1 518		
5.346 ²	1 452-1 492	LMS (IMT)	AMS
5.346A	1 452-1 492	LMS (IMT)	AMS
5.429F	3 300-3 400	LMS (IMT)	RLS
5.430A	3 400-3 600	LMS, MMS	FS, FSS, LMS, MMS
5.431A and 5.432B ¹	3 400-3 500	LMS, MMS	FS, FSS, LMS, MMS
5.431B	3 400-3 600	LMS (IMT)	FS, FSS, LMS, MMS
5.434A	3 600-3 800	LMS, MMS	FS, FSS, LMS, MMS
5.457F	6 425-7 125	LMS (IMT)	FS, MS
5.480A	10 000-10 500	LMS (IMT)	RLS, FS
5.553A	45 500-47 000	LMS (IMT)	AMS, RNS

¹ Different category of service.

² For frequency assignments subject to this provision the No. 9.21 procedure does not apply to those administrations whose territories are outside of the distances specified in the corresponding Rules of Procedure on No. 5.341A and No. 5.346.

³ Secondary service.

2.2 The *case-by-case* verification is performed for the assignments submitted under the procedure of No. **9.21**. This verification consists in determining the distance from the location of a station subject to No. **9.21** to the border of a neighbouring country*. In case this distance is shorter than the respective coordination distance, the administration of this neighbouring country is identified as affected.

3 In the calculation of the coordination distances the following approach is used:

3.1 For the protection of the broadcasting (television) service in the frequency band 470-806 MHz, from the radio services indicated in Column 3 of Table 1, in the context of the provisions of Nos. **5.292**, **5.293**, **5.295**, **5.296A**, **5.297**, **5.308**, **5.308A** and **5.309**, the coordination distances are calculated using propagation curves of Recommendation ITU-R P.1546-5 for 1% of time and 50% of locations with the coordination trigger field strengths produced at a height of 10 m above ground level as provided in the GE06 Agreement and given in Table 2.

TABLE 2
Coordination trigger field strengths for protection of BS

Service to be protected	Trigger field strength (dB(μV/m))		
	470-582 MHz	582-718 MHz	718-806 MHz
BS	18	20	22

3.1*bis* For the protection of the broadcasting (television) service in the frequency band 470-694 MHz in the context of the provisions of Nos. **5.295A** and **5.307A**, the coordination distances are calculated at a height of 10 m above ground level at the border of the territory of any other administration, using the propagation curves provided in the GE06 Agreement at 1% of time and 50% of locations with the coordination trigger field strengths as provided in § 4.1.3.2 of Annex 2 to the GE06 Agreement and given in Table 2*bis*.

TABLE 2*bis*
Coordination trigger field strengths for protection of BS, in the context of Nos. **5.295A** and **5.307A**

Service to be protected	Trigger field strength (dB(μV/m))	
	470-582 MHz	582-694 MHz
BS	13.229	15.229

3.1*ter* For the protection of the aeronautical radionavigation service in the frequency bands between 645 and 942 MHz allocated by Nos. **5.312** and **5.323**, from the radiocommunication services indicated in Column 3 of Table 1, in the context of the provisions of Nos. **5.293**, **5.295A**, **5.307A**, **5.308A** and **5.325**, a coordination trigger distance of 450 km with respect to the borders of the neighbouring countries listed in Nos. **5.312** and **5.323** is used.

3.2 For the protection of the fixed service in the frequency band 470-698 MHz from IMT, in the context of the provision of Nos. **5.295** and **5.296A**, the coordination trigger field strength of 13 dB(μV/m) produced at a height of 10 m above ground level is used.

* In this context, “neighbouring country” includes countries within the coordination distance defined in the Rules of Procedure.

3.2**bis** For the protection of the mobile service in the frequency band 470-806 MHz, in the context of the provisions of Nos. **5.292**, **5.293**, **5.295**, **5.295A**, **5.296A**, **5.297**, **5.307A**, **5.308**, **5.308A** and **5.309**, the following coordination trigger field strengths shall apply:

10 dB(μ V/m), produced in a reference bandwidth of 8 MHz at a height of 10 m above ground level, for the protection of receiving land stations; and

27 dB(μ V/m), produced in a reference bandwidth of 8 MHz at a height of 1.5 m above ground level, for the protection of receiving mobile stations.

The corresponding coordination distances shall be determined using the propagation curves given in Recommendation ITU-R P.1546-5, for 10% of time and 50% of locations. (ADD RRB26/530)

3.3 For the protection of the radionavigation services in the frequency band 585-610 MHz from IMT, in the context of the provision of No. **5.296A**, the coordination distances are calculated using propagation curves of the Recommendation ITU-R P.1546-5 for 10% of time and 50% of locations with the trigger field strength 13 dB(μ V/m), as given in the GE06 Agreement, produced at height of 10 m above ground level.

3.4 For the protection of the fixed and mobile services, from the radionavigation and radiolocation services, in the context of the provisions of Nos. **5.323** and **5.325**, the propagation curves from Recommendation ITU-R P.528-5 are used in connection with the following data: (MOD RRB26/530)

Minimum field strength to be protected (FX): 30 dB(μ V/m), $PR = 8$ dB.

3.5 For the protection of the fixed and land mobile services in the frequency band 903-905 MHz, from the land mobile and maritime mobile services, in the context of the provisions of No. **5.326**, the coordination distances are calculated using the propagation curves of the Recommendation ITU-R P.1546-5 for 10% of time and 50% of locations with the coordination trigger of 17 dB (μ V/m) produced at the height of 10 m above ground level. (MOD RRB26/530)

3.6 For protection of ground-based stations in the aeronautical mobile service in the frequency band 1 429-1 518 MHz from IMT, in the context of the provisions of Nos. **5.341A**, **5.341C**, **5.346** and **5.346A**, the coordination distances are calculated using the propagation curves given in Recommendation ITU-R P.1546-5 for 10% of time and 50% of locations with the coordination trigger power flux density of -181 dB(W/m²) within 4 kHz of reference bandwidth produced at the height of 10 m above ground level as given in Recommendation ITU-R M.1459-0.

For protection of stations on-board aircraft in the aeronautical mobile service, the coordination distance of 450 km is used.

3.7 For protection of the radiolocation service in the frequency band 3 300-3 400 MHz from IMT in the context of the provisions of No. **5.429F**, the coordination distance is contained in Table 3.

TABLE 3

**Coordination distance for protection of the RLS
(from the IMT system, effective antenna height 30 m)
in the frequency band between 3 300-3 400 MHz**

Footnote	Frequency range (MHz)	Allocated service (application) (No. 9.21)	Protected service	Coordination distance (km)
5.429F	3 300-3 400	LMS (IMT)	RLS	616

NOTE – The coordination distance was calculated using the propagation curves of Recommendation ITU-R P.528-5 for 1% of time and 50% of locations with the interference level of -107 dBm for protection of the airborne radar at the height of 10 000 m derived from Recommendation ITU-R M.1465-3. A reference IMT station was assumed as having effective isotropic radiated power (e.i.r.p.) of 31 dBW and a bandwidth of 10 MHz as used in Report ITU-R M.2292-0. (MOD RRB26/530)

3.8 For the protection of the fixed, mobile, except aeronautical mobile, and fixed-satellite services in the frequency bands between 3 400 MHz and 3 800 MHz from the mobile, except aeronautical mobile, service in the context of the provisions of Nos. **5.430A**, **5.431A**, **5.432B** and **5.434A** and from IMT in the context of the provisions of No. **5.431B**, the power flux density of -154.5 dB(W/(m²·4 kHz))² produced at the height of 3 m above ground level is used. (MOD RRB26/530)

Based on the above pfd value the coordination distances are calculated using Recommendation ITU-R P.452-18 at 20% of time with a smooth Earth terrain profile.

3.9 For the protection of stations of the aeronautical mobile and radionavigation services in the frequency band 45.5-47 GHz from IMT systems in the context of the provision of No. **5.553A**, the coordination distance is contained in Table 4.

² This value was decided by WRC-07 based on the protection of a typical earth station in the fixed-satellite service.

TABLE 4
**Coordination distance for protection of the AMS and RNS
from the IMT systems in the frequency band between 45.5-47 GHz**

Footnote	Frequency range (GHz)	Allocated service (application) (No. 9.21)	Protected service	Coordination distance (km)
5.553A	45.5-47	LMS (IMT)	AMS, RNS	65

Note: The coordination distance was calculated using a method based on Recommendation ITU-R P.676-12 for atmospheric attenuation in addition to Recommendation ITU-R P.525-4 for free space loss. The protection criteria (I/N) – 6 dB, receiver antenna gain 27 dBi and noise figure 4 dB were taken from Recommendation ITU-R M.2115-0 for the aeronautical mobile service airborne station in the frequency band 45.5-47 GHz. The maximum e.i.r.p. density value of 25.2 dB(W/200 MHz) was used for the IMT base station. This value was taken from ITU-R studies conducted during preparations for WRC-19 agenda item 1.13.

3.10 For the protection of stations in the radioastronomy service in the frequency band 606-614 MHz from the radio services indicated in Column 3 of Table 1, in the context of the provisions of No. **5.295A**, coordination trigger distances of 1 053 km for a base station in the mobile service and 445 km for a land mobile station in the mobile service are used with respect to the border of a neighbouring country.

3.11 For the protection of the fixed and mobile services in the frequency band 6 425-7 125 MHz from IMT, in the context of the provisions of No. **5.457F**, a coordination trigger distance of 200 km with respect to the border of a neighbouring country is used.

3.12 For the protection of stations in the fixed and radiolocation services in the frequency band 10-10.5 GHz from IMT as indicated in Column 3 of Table 1, in the context of the provisions of No. **5.480A**, a coordination trigger distance of 500 km for IMT stations of Mexico with respect to the border of the United States is used.

PART B

SECTION B7

Rules concerning the protection ratio values and minimum values of field strength to be used in the case of digital modulation transmission systems when applying the provisions of Article 4 of the GE75 Regional Agreement

1 Introduction

This section provides the protection ratios and the minimum values of field strength for the various interference cases where digital modulation transmission systems are used. The values of the protection ratios are given in Recommendation ITU-R BS.1615-2. Only the cases involving the DRM transmission system with robustness modes A or B and spectrum occupancy type 2 are considered.

2 RF protection ratios

Protection ratios are provided only for the cases of co-channel and the first adjacent channel interference that are considered by the Agreement.

Table 2.1 provides the relative protection ratios for the cases of analogue transmission systems interfered with by systems using digital transmission systems. It should be noted that these values are for analogue systems using a high degree of modulation compression and audio bandwidth of 4.5 kHz (Case D in § 4.4.2.1 of the Agreement). These values should be adjusted to provide protection ratio values for the cases in 4.4.1 and 4.4.2.1 of the Agreement for the co-channel and adjacent channel cases according to the different degrees of modulation compression and audio bandwidth (Cases A to D in § 4.4.2.1 of the Agreement).

TABLE 2.1

Relative RF protection ratios (dB) for analogue modulation system interfered with by digital modulation system

Wanted signal	Unwanted signal	Frequency separation, $f_{unwanted} - f_{wanted}$ (kHz)			Parameters	
					B_{DRM} (kHz)	$A_{AF}^{1,2}$ (dB)
		-9	0	9		
AM	DRM_A2	-29.8	6.6	-29.8	9	-
AM	DRM_B2	-29.7	6.5	-29.7	9	-

¹ The RF protection ratio for analogue interfered with by digital can be calculated by adding a suitable value for the AF protection ratio according to a given case to the values in Table 2.1.

² The values presented in this table refer to the specific case of high degree of modulation compression and audio bandwidth of 4.5 kHz (Case D). The modulation depth, associated with high degree of modulation compression, has been assumed for the analogue signal. In order to offer adequate protection to analogue signals with normal degree of compression, each value in Table 2.1 should be increased to accommodate the difference between normal and high degree of modulation compression.

Tables 2.2 and 2.3 provide the relative RF protection ratios for cases of digital modulation transmission systems interfered with by analogue modulation transmission systems or by digital modulation transmission systems. These tables have been prepared for the DRM transmission system using robustness modes A and B and spectrum occupancy type 2, 64-QAM and protection level number 1.

In order to obtain the applicable RF protection ratio for a specific case, the relevant S/I value from Tables 2.2 and 2.3 should be added to the relative protection ratio along with the relevant S/I correction value from Table 2.4 in order to make provision for systems using a different modulation and protection level.

TABLE 2.2

Relative RF protection ratios (dB) for digital modulation system (64-QAM, protection level No. 1) interfered with by analogue modulation system

Wanted signal	Unwanted signal	Frequency separation, $f_{unwanted} - f_{wanted}$ (kHz)			Parameters	
					B_{DRM} (kHz)	S/I (dB)
		-9	0	9		
DRM_A2	AM	-34	0	-34	9	6.7
DRM_B2	AM	-33.7	0	-33.7	9	7.3

TABLE 2.3

Relative RF protection ratios (dB) for digital modulation systems (64-QAM, protection level No. 1) interfered with by digital modulation (identical robustness modes and spectrum occupancy types)

Wanted Signal	Unwanted signal	Frequency separation, $f_{unwanted} - f_{wanted}$ (kHz)			Parameters	
					B_{DRM} (kHz)	S/I (dB)
		-9	0	9		
DRM_A2	DRM_A2	-38.3	0	-38.3	9	15.3
DRM_B2	DRM_B2	-38.1	0	-38.1	9	15.9

TABLE 2.4

S/I_{corr} correction values to be used in Tables 2.2 and 2.3 for other combinations of modulation scheme and protection level No.

Wanted signal			S/I_{corr} – Correction values (dB) for DRM robustness mode with spectrum occupancy type 2	
			Robustness mode	
Modulation Scheme	Protection level No.	Average code rate	A	B
16-QAM	0	0.5	-6.7	-6.6
	1	0.62	-4.6	-4.6
64-QAM	0	0.5	-1.2	-1.2
	1	0.6	0.0	0.0
	2	0.71	1.8	1.8
	3	0.78	3.4	3.4

2.1 Examples of calculating an RF protection ratio

In order to obtain the relevant RF protection ratio to be used in a specific case, it is necessary to identify the parameters of the wanted digital system (that which is being interfered with), then:

- Select from Table 2.2 or 2.3 the relative RF protection ratio according to the frequency separation and the robustness mode of the wanted digital system;
- add the S/I value from Table 2.2 or 2.3 which is that which would be applicable for a wanted digital system with modulation scheme 64-QAM and protection level no.1; and
- add the S/I_{corr} value from Table 2.4 according to the actual parameters of the wanted digital system based upon modulation scheme, protection level no. and robustness mode.

Example 1: A digital system with robustness mode A, spectrum occupancy type 2, modulation scheme 16-QAM and protection level no.1 interfered with by a digital system with robustness mode A and spectrum occupancy type 2 on an upper adjacent channel:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{RF protection ratio} &= \text{relative RF protection ratio (from Table 2.3)} \\
 &+ S/I \text{ (from Table 2.3)} + S/I_{corr} \text{ (from Table 2.4)} \\
 &= -38.3 + 15.3 - 4.6 = -27.6 \text{ dB}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2: A digital system with robustness mode B, spectrum occupancy type 2, modulation scheme 64-QAM and protection level no. 3 interfered with by a digital system with robustness mode A and spectrum occupancy type 2 on an upper adjacent channel:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{RF protection ratio} &= \text{relative RF protection ratio (from Table 2.3)} \\
 &+ S/I \text{ (from Table 2.3)} + S/I_{corr} \text{ (from Table 2.4)} \\
 &= -38.1 + 15.9 + 3.4 = -18.8 \text{ dB}
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Minimum values of field strength

Table 3.1 provides the minimum values of field strength in the presence of natural noise alone to achieve a BER of 1×10^{-4} for DRM transmission with robustness modes A or B and spectrum occupancy type 2 and different modulation schemes and protection levels for the cases of ground wave (MF and LF bands) and ground wave in the presence of sky-wave (MF band).

These values have been normalised for Zone A and 1 MHz. Values for zones B and C may be obtained by adding 10 dB and 3 dB respectively, then applying the appropriate frequency correction factor from Figure 24 of Annex 2 of the Agreement.

TABLE 3.1

Minimum values of field strength (dB(μ V/m)) in the presence of natural noise (1 MHz) in zone A to achieve a BER of 1×10^{-4} for DRM with robustness modes A or B and spectrum occupancy type 2 and different modulation schemes and protection levels for the cases of ground-wave propagation and ground-wave in the presence of sky-wave propagation

Modulation scheme	Protection level No.	Average code rate	Minimum value of field strength (dB (μ V/m))				
			Ground-wave (MF)		Ground-wave and sky-wave (MF)		Ground-wave (LF)
			A2 (9 kHz)	B2 (9 kHz)	A2 (9 kHz)	B2 (9 kHz)	A2 (9 kHz)
16-QAM	0	0.5	33.1	33.8	33.9	34.7	39.1
	1	0.62	35.2	35.8	37.0	37.6	41.2
64-QAM	0	0.5	38.6	39.2	39.4	40.1	44.6
	1	0.6	39.8	40.4	40.8	41.4	45.8
	2	0.71	41.6	42.2	43.7	44.2	47.6
	3	0.78	43.2	43.8	46.5	46.8	49.2

PART B

SECTION B8

Calculation of power-flux density levels produced by aeronautical earth stations in motion (A-ESIM) and their validation with the limits contained in Annex 3 to Resolution 169 (Rev.WRC-23), Annex 2 to Resolution 121 (WRC-23) and Annex 2 to Resolution 123 (WRC-23)

Annex 2 to Resolution **121 (WRC-23)** and Annex 2 to Resolution **123 (WRC-23)** contain methodologies and procedures to examine power flux-density levels at the Earth's surface produced by A-ESIM. The corresponding methodology for Resolution **169 (Rev.WRC-23)** is included in Recommendation ITU-R S.2158-0.

Reference bandwidth of the pfd limit

The three methodologies contain the same formula to calculate the transmission power from the maximum or minimum power spectral densities of A-ESIM.

Depending on the set of pfd limits that is considered (i.e. for A-ESIM altitudes up to 3 km or for those above 3 km), two different reference bandwidths need to be considered: 1 MHz and 14 MHz, respectively.

The Board noted that Note 2 of Recommendation ITU-R S.2158-0 indicates: "For the operation of emission bandwidth smaller than the reference bandwidth, this methodology is applicable provided that the notifying administration confirms that A-ESIM operates only one emission within the reference bandwidth. If there is no such confirmation, this methodology is not applicable." Moreover, the remark in Resolution **121 (WRC-23)** states that "the methodology assumes that only one emission within the reference bandwidth of 14 MHz is transmitted by A-ESIM".

As a consequence, the Board understood that the intentions of the World Radiocommunication Conference (Sharm el-Sheikh, 2019) (WRC-19) and the World Radiocommunication Conference (Dubai, 2023) (WRC-23) were to allow only one carrier emission to be in operation within the reference bandwidth of 14 MHz for all three cases addressed in Resolutions **121 (WRC-23)**, **123 (WRC-23)** and **169 (Rev.WRC-23)**.

The Board therefore concluded that when an Administration submits a frequency assignment to an A-ESIM with an emission bandwidth smaller than a 14 MHz reference bandwidth, it also commits to operate only one single emission with that given emission bandwidth in any 14 MHz bandwidth.

When an Administration wishes to simultaneously operate several transmissions with emission bandwidths smaller than a 14 MHz reference bandwidth, the emission characteristics of the carrier should be suitably modified to indicate that multiple channels per carrier will be operated within a single emission (see Appendix 1 to the Radio Regulations).

Conditions for compliance with the pfd limits

The methodology contained in Annex 2 to Resolution 121 (WRC-23), in Annex 2 to Resolution 123 (WRC-23) or in Recommendation ITU-R S.2158-0 determines the maximum allowable power P_j for an A-ESIM transmitter.

The methodology then compares the computed P_j with the range of notified power levels of the A-ESIM emission. The minimum and maximum power values for emissions from the A-ESIM, $P_{\min_emission,j}$ and $P_{\max_emission,j}$, are calculated from the minimum and maximum power spectral densities of the A-ESIM emission.

An A-ESIM transmission is permitted at a certain altitude j , if the following condition is met:

$$P_{\max_emission,j} > P_j > P_{\min_emission,j}$$

Considering that the condition will prevent the use of altitude j in cases where the allowable power is high enough to permit the operation of the A-ESIM with its maximum notified power spectral density, the Board concluded that the Bureau should also check the following condition:

$$P_j \geq P_{\max_emission,j}$$

Whenever that condition is met, it is understood that the entire range of power levels of an A-ESIM can be used.

PART C

Internal arrangements and working methods of the Radio Regulations Board

Introduction

In accordance with Nos. 143 to 147 of the Convention the Board has approved the following internal arrangements and working methods.

1 Board meetings

1.1 A meeting of the Board will be held approximately every three months. The specific dates and durations for the meetings in a given year will be decided at the last meeting of the preceding year. Any subsequent change of dates or durations will be made only with the agreement of all the members. (CV145 (Rev. Marrakesh, 2002)).

1.2 A convening notice for the next meeting of the Board, including the date and duration, will be prepared by the Executive Secretary and normally provided to Board Members at the current meeting.

1.3 The draft agenda should be prepared by the Executive Secretary of the Board¹ after approval by the Chairman as soon as possible following the closing date for submissions but not later than two weeks before the meeting. The draft agenda and the documents of the meeting shall be sent to members of the Board by the Executive Secretary of the Board. Simultaneously, the draft agenda shall be made available in electronic form on the RRB website.

1.4 The agenda should include the following, as required:

- a) consideration of the report by the Director, Radiocommunication Bureau;
- b) approval of the new or revised Rules of Procedure (CS95, RR No. **13.12**);
- c) consideration of cases dealing with the review of findings by the Bureau, following a request by an administration, which cannot be resolved by the use of the Rules of Procedure (CV171);

¹ The Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau acts as the Executive Secretary of the Board (see CV174).

- d)* consideration of any appeal against a Bureau decision or any other request submitted by an administration (CV140);
- e)* consideration of reports on harmful interference (CV140, CV173, RR No. **13.2**) and reports of alleged contravention or non-observance of the Radio Regulations (RR No. **13.3**);
- f)* consideration of any other matters which cannot be resolved by the Bureau (CS96);
- g)* matters which should be referred to the radiocommunication conferences (CS95);
- h)* the examination of any item for assistance in the application of the Radio Regulations requested by any administration (RR Nos. **7.5** and **7.6**);
- i)* the examination of any item requested by any member of the Board;
- j)* the examination of any item requested by the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau;
- k)* any other business (CS97, etc.).

1.5 All submissions from Administrations containing comments concerning draft Rules of Procedure shall be received by the Executive Secretary at least four weeks before the meeting. Comments on the draft Rules of Procedure received after that date will not be considered (RR No. **13.12A**).

1.6 All other submissions from Administrations shall be received by the Executive Secretary at least three weeks before the meeting. Any submissions received from Administrations following the three-week deadline will normally not be considered at the same meeting and will be placed on the agenda of the following meeting. However, if so agreed by Board Members, delayed submissions relevant to items on the approved agenda could be considered for information. Submissions that comment on a submission from another administration could only be considered if received at least 10 days before the start of the meeting. Submissions in response to delayed submission will only be considered if received before the start of the meeting. In addition to any of the other five official languages of the Union, delayed submissions shall at least be provided in English. Any submissions received after the start of the Board meeting will not be considered by the Board unless there are exceptional circumstances.

1.7 The Board will conduct its work transparently (CS95 and Resolution 119 (Rev. Antalya, 2006)). Any submission to the Board containing restricted material (e.g. confidential, proprietary, sensitive, etc.) shall be returned by the Bureau, who will invite the administration concerned to resubmit an unrestricted document if it wishes the Board to consider the material.

1.8 All documentation should be prepared by the Executive Secretary and distributed to the Members as soon as it becomes available but not later than two weeks before the start of the meeting. RRB meeting documents will be made available in electronic form on the RRB website as soon as they are available.

1.9 Meeting attendance will be as follows:

- Members
- Executive Secretary/Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau
- Minute writer(s).

The Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau may be accompanied by any necessary staff of the Bureau on a case-by-case basis.

1.10 The Board shall endeavour to reach its decisions unanimously. If it fails in that endeavour, a decision shall be valid only if at least two-thirds of the members of the Board vote in favour thereof. Each member of the Board shall have one vote; voting by proxy is not allowed (see CV146). The minutes should clearly indicate if a decision is taken by a vote (at least two-thirds of the members of the Board).

1.11 The first draft of the minutes shall be prepared in the official languages of the Union requested by the Board Members. The Executive Secretary shall distribute the draft minutes to the Board Members by electronic means as soon as possible after the meeting, but no later than six weeks prior to the next meeting. Any amendments to the draft minutes by any Board Members shall be provided to all Board Members and the Executive Secretary not later than five weeks prior to the next meeting. The draft minutes, as amended, are considered approved and ready for circulation. At least one month before the start of the following meeting, the BR shall, by means of a circular letter, send the approved minutes in all official languages of the Union to administrations and make them available on the RRB pages of the ITU website (RR No. **13.18**).

1.12 In order to clarify the status of the opinions expressed by individual Board Members as reflected in the minutes and the Board's official decisions as contained in the Summary of Decisions, the minutes shall include a statement along the following lines: "The minutes of the meeting reflect the detailed and comprehensive consideration by the members of the Radio Regulations Board of the items that were under consideration on the agenda of the [insert meeting number] meeting of the Board. The official decisions of the [insert meeting number] meeting of the Radio Regulations Board may be found in the Summary of Decisions, Document RRB [insert document number]."

1.13 A summary of decisions shall be prepared by the Executive Secretary in a tabular form (subject, decision, reasons for the decision, including references to comments of administrations received and considered, as well as follow-up) and approved by the Board at its current meeting. The summary shall be made available on the RRB pages of the ITU website within one week after a meeting of the Board (RR No. **13.18**).

2 Rules of Procedure

2.1 Principles for establishment or revision of Rules of Procedure

2.1.1 In the development of Rules of Procedure, the following principles shall be applied by the Board, the Bureau, and administrations:

2.1.1.1 New Rules of Procedure shall be developed only when there is a clear need and justification (RR No. **13.0.1**). Such Rules of Procedure shall, if necessary, be developed in the following cases:

- Difficulties in the application of the Radio Regulations, including those due to inconsistencies in the Radio Regulations;
- Difficulties in the application of the regional agreements (i.e., special agreements concluded under the auspices of the ITU) in as much as they concern the relationship between the Radio Regulations and those regional agreements (RR Nos. **6.4** and **11.34**);
- Any practice used by the Bureau in the application of the Radio Regulations (RR No. **13.12A b**) and regional agreements.

2.1.1.2 Rules of Procedure are to be in conformity with the spirit and principle of the Constitution, Convention and the Radio Regulations and shall avoid any relaxation to the application of the corresponding provisions of the Radio Regulation to which the rules make reference (RR No. **13.12A g**).

2.1.1.3 For those Rules of Procedure which were developed to alleviate difficulties or inconsistencies in the application of the Radio Regulations (see the first indent to § 2.1.1.1), the Board shall submit to the next world radiocommunication conference the modifications to the Radio Regulations to alleviate such difficulties or inconsistencies and include its suggestions in the Report of the Director to this conference (RR No. **13.0.1**)².

2.1.1.4 If difficulties or inconsistencies in the Radio Regulations are identified but a clear need for developing a new Rule of Procedure is not identified, the Board will suggest any necessary modifications to the Radio Regulations to the next WRC (RR No. **13.0.2**).

2.2 Preparation of Rules of Procedure

2.2.1 In the preparation of Rules of Procedure, the following steps shall be applied by the Board, the Bureau, and administrations (RR No. **13.12A**):

2.2.1.1 preparation, by BR, of a draft Rule of Procedure;

² See Minutes of the Third Plenary of WRC-07, Document 217, § 3.

2.2.1.2 draft Rules of Procedure shall be made available to the administrations for comments in a circular letter and on the RRB website at least ten weeks before the meeting (RR No. **13.12A c**);

2.2.1.3 all comments from administrations on these draft Rules of Procedure shall be submitted to the Bureau at least four weeks before the start of the Board meeting (RR No. **13.12A d**);

2.2.1.4 comments from administrations should suggest specific text for the proposed Rule of Procedure (RR No. **13.12A e**);

2.2.1.5 all comments on draft Rules of Procedure received from administrations will be posted on the RRB website (RR No. **13.12A f**);

2.2.1.6 comments submitted by administrations concerning draft Rules of Procedure that have not been received within the four-week time limit (see RR No. **13.12A d**) shall not be considered by the Board (cf. RR No. **13.12A f**);

2.2.1.7 the approved Rule of Procedure shall be published in a circular letter and in electronic form.

2.2.2 The Bureau shall also publish, on the RRB website, a list of future proposed Rules and the time-frame for their consideration by the Board in order to facilitate administrations providing comments on the future proposed Rules (RR No. **13.12A a**).

2.2.3 In submitting the draft Rules of Procedure, the Director should also submit relevant material which explains the practical necessity of the new or revised Rules, as well as their possible impact on administrations, and other background information.

2.3 Review of Rules of Procedure

2.3.1 The Rules are effective when approved by the Board, except in cases where a different date of application is specified in the Rule of Procedure. If comments are received from any administration after publication, the Board will review the Rule of Procedure, if appropriate.

2.3.2 If there is continuing disagreement, the matter shall be submitted to the next World Radiocommunication Conference in the report of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau, with the agreement of the concerned administration (CS 95, RR No. **13.14**).

2.3.3 For Rules of Procedure referenced in § 2.1.1.3, the Board will consider the possibility of making a proposal for transforming the current Rule of Procedure into provisions of the Radio Regulations. The BR will assist the Board in this task.

3 Review of findings and cases of appeal (CV140 2); RR No. 14.5)

3.1 If requested by Administrations, the Bureau shall forward review of findings to the Board. Administrations may appeal decisions of the Bureau to the Board. In both of the above cases the following information shall be supplied:

- a) brief explanation and the history of the case;
- b) all relevant documents which were received from the concerned administrations and those relevant documents which were sent by the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau to that administration;
- c) brief statement by the Director to clarify the view of the Radiocommunication Bureau.

3.2 The Board will decide on the appropriate action.

3.3 The decision of the Board is final in so far as the Bureau and the Board are concerned. The administration requesting the review may raise the matter at a world radio-communication conference if it disagrees with the Board's decision (RR No. 14.6).

4 Harmful interference (CV173, RR No. 13.2)

4.1 When an administration has requested the Bureau's assistance for the resolution of a case of harmful interference in accordance with the Convention and the Radio Regulations, and the case has not been resolved after efforts by the Director following the appropriate provisions of the Radio Regulations and established procedures in the Radiocommunication Bureau or the administration requests the assistance of the Board, a report from the Director of the Bureau will be submitted to the Board for consideration, which includes the following:

- a) brief explanation of the case which will include the degree of reported interference, history to the reported interference and the status of notification of the concerned assignments;
- b) all relevant documents which were received from the concerned administrations and those relevant documents which were sent by the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau to that administration;
- c) brief statement to clarify the view of the Radiocommunication Bureau, including draft recommendations to the administrations concerned.

4.2 The Board will decide on the appropriate action.

5 Contravention or non-observance of the Radio Regulations (RR No. 13.3)

5.1 When an administration has requested an investigation of alleged contravention or non-observance of the Radio Regulations by another administration, and the case has not been resolved after efforts by the Director following the appropriate provisions of the Radio Regulations and established procedures in the Radiocommunication Bureau or the administration requests the assistance of the Board, the Bureau will submit a report to the Board for consideration. The report will include the following:

- a)* brief explanation and background of the case;

- b)* all relevant documents which were received from the concerned administrations and those relevant documents which were sent by the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau to the concerned administrations;

- c)* draft recommendations to the concerned administrations.

5.2 The Board will decide on the appropriate action.

6 Any other matters that cannot be resolved by the Bureau through the application of the Rules of Procedure

The Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau may raise any such matter. Such cases will be dealt with by the Board on a case-by-case basis (CS96).

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