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To the Member States of the Union of Region 1
(except Mongolia) and the Islamic Republic of Iran

By Fax

Subject: **General information on credentials for delegations to the second session of the Regional Radiocommunication Conference (RRC-06)**

Dear Madam/Sir,

With reference to Circular-Letter No. 59 of 11 May 2005 inviting your Government to send a delegation to the second session of the Regional Radiocommunication Conference for 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 the north of parallel 40° S, except Mongolia) and in the Islamic Republic of Iran, in the frequency bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 MHz (RRC-06) (Geneva, 15 May to 16 June 2006), I should like to remind you of the provisions of Article 31 of the ITU Convention with regard to Credentials.

In accordance with Nos. 324 and 326 of the Convention, accreditation of delegations sent by Member States to the second session of the Regional Radiocommunication Conference (RRC-06) shall be by means of written instruments signed by the Head of State, by the Head of Government, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, or by the Minister responsible for radiocommunication matters. The submitted credentials must fulfill at least one of the following criteria:

- confer full powers on the delegation;
- authorize it to represent its government without restrictions; or
- give the delegation, or certain members thereof, the right to sign the Final Acts.

As a constant practice, credentials sent by fax are found not to be in order by the Plenary Meeting and, according to No. 333 of the Convention, the concerned delegations shall not be entitled to exercise the right to vote or sign the Final Acts, until the situation has been rectified.

I would also draw your attention to No. 338 of the Convention, which stipulates that credentials and transfers of powers sent by telegram shall not be accepted.

To enable your country to exercise its sovereign rights in full from the beginning of the Conference, I invite you to ensure that the competent authorities of your country send to the ITU Secretary-General the **original** of the instrument of accreditation - accompanied, as necessary, by a certified translation in one of the official languages of the Union - as soon as possible, and preferably before **8 May 2006**. The ITU Secretary-General will forward these documents to the secretariat of the RRC-06 Credentials Committee. In order to facilitate the examination by the Credentials Committee, you will find attached hereto a model instrument of credentials covering all the criteria set out in the relevant provisions of the ITU Convention (see Annex 1) and the procedures for depositing credentials (see Annex 2).

Yours faithfully,

Yoshio UTSUMI
Secretary-General

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ANNEX 1

MODEL INSTRUMENT OF CREDENTIALS FOR DELEGATIONS PARTICIPATING IN THE

Second session of the Regional Radiocommunication Conference for 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 the north of parallel 40° S, except Mongolia) and in the Islamic Republic of Iran, in the frequency bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 MHz (RRC-06)

The original of the instruments of accreditation – accompanied, as necessary, by a certified translation in one of the official languages of the Union – shall be sent to the ITU Secretary-General, as soon as possible, and preferably before 8 May 2006

(NAME OF MEMBER STATE)

CREDENTIALS

We, _____ (Head of State / Head of Government / Minister for Foreign Affairs / Minister responsible for radiocommunication matters) _____, hereby certify that the delegation of _____ (Member State) to the second session of the Regional Radiocommunication Conference for 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 the north of parallel 40° S, except Mongolia) and in the Islamic Republic of Iran, in the frequency bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 MHz (RRC-06), which will be held in Geneva from 15 May to 16 June 2006 is fully empowered to represent _____ (Member State) without restrictions and to sign the Final Acts on behalf of _____ (Member State).

This delegation is constituted as follows:

1. _____, Head of Delegation,
2. _____, Deputy Head of Delegation,
3. _____, Delegate, etc.

Done at _____, on _____ 2006 by, or on behalf of:

_____ (Signature)

Official stamp

*(Head of State/
Head of Government/
Minister for Foreign Affairs/
Minister responsible for
radiocommunication matters)*

ANNEX 2

Procedures for depositing credentials

1. Where the Government is able to deposit its credentials ahead of the opening of the conference, they should be sent by registered mail, to arrive no later than 8 May 2006, to the following address:

ITU Secretary-General
External Affairs Unit
International Telecommunication Union
Place des Nations
CH – 1211 GENEVA 20

2. Where the Government wishes to deposit its credentials during the conference, they may be deposited, as from 15 May 2006, with the secretariat of the Credentials Committee.

* The location within the Conference Center of the office of the Credentials Committee will be indicated in the documentation to be provided to delegates upon registration.