

RESOLUTION 81 (REV.WRC-15)

Evaluation of the administrative due diligence procedure for satellite networks

The World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 2015),

considering

- a) that WRC-97 adopted Resolution **49 (WRC-97)*** establishing administrative due diligence procedure applicable to some satellite radiocommunication services with effect from 22 November 1997;
- b) that the Plenipotentiary Conference adopted Resolution 85 (Minneapolis, 1998) on evaluation of the administrative due diligence procedure for satellite networks;
- c) that Resolution 85 (Minneapolis, 1998) instructs the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau to inform WRC-2000 about the effectiveness of the administrative due diligence procedure, in accordance with Resolution **49 (WRC-97)***;
- d) that Resolution 85 (Minneapolis, 1998) resolves that WRC-2000 shall evaluate the results of the implementation of the administrative due diligence procedure and shall inform the next Plenipotentiary Conference, in 2002, of its conclusions in that regard;
- e) the report of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau on the administrative due diligence procedure applicable to some satellite networks;
- f) the proposals made to this Conference to strengthen the administrative due diligence procedure, and to adopt financial due diligence procedures,

noting

- a) that the Bureau has not encountered any administrative difficulty in applying the provisions and in gathering and publishing information;
- b) that the Bureau has taken action pursuant to *resolves* 6 of Resolution **49 (WRC-97)*** to cancel the submissions, and accordingly publish the related special sections, in respect of 36 satellite networks;
- c) that, for all of these cancellations, the maximum (nine-year) period for bringing into use pursuant to *resolves* 1 and 2 of Resolution **51 (WRC-97)**** and No. **11.44** had been reached and hence the submissions would have been cancelled in any event;
- d) that, when requested to provide due diligence information (triggered by the original date of bringing into use of their satellite networks), administrations have generally requested, wherever possible, extensions of the regulatory period for bringing into use up to the maximum limit authorized by the Radio Regulations;

* *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was revised by WRC-07, WRC-12, WRC-15 and WRC-19.

** *Note by the Secretariat:* This Resolution was abrogated by WRC-15.

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e) that the effect of the administrative due diligence procedure may not, therefore, be fully apparent until at least 21 November 2003,

recognizing

that the administrative due diligence procedure has not yet had any impact on the problem of reservation of orbit and spectrum capacity without actual use,

resolves

1 that further experience is needed in the application of the administrative due diligence procedures adopted by WRC-97, and that several years may be needed to see whether the procedure produces satisfactory results;

2 that it is premature to consider the adoption, among other procedures, of any financial due diligence procedures.