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**PLENARY MEETING**

**Note by the Secretary-General**

**CANDIDACY FOR THE POST OF MEMBER OF  
THE RADIO REGULATIONS BOARD**

Further to the information contained in Document 3, I have pleasure in transmitting to the conference, in annex, the following candidacy for the post of member of the Radio Regulations Board:

Mr Pierre ABOUDARHAM (France)

Yoshio UTSUMI  
Secretary-General

**Annex: 1**

Permanent Mission of France  
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The Permanent Mission of France presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union and has the honour to refer to the elections that will be held during the Plenipotentiary Conference in Marrakesh next September.

On that occasion, the French Government wishes to put forward the candidature of Mr Pierre Abouardham for re-election to the Radio Regulations Board.

Since the 1970s, Mr Abouardham has taken an active part in the work of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT) and, since 1980, has attended practically all ITU radiocommunication conferences and, on several occasions, served as Chairman of the Editorial Committee. He was elected a member of the Radio Regulations Board at the Plenipotentiary Conference in 1998.

Mr Abouardham's curriculum vitae is enclosed.

The Permanent Mission of France takes this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 27 March 2002

(signed)

(Official seal of the Permanent Mission of France)

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## CURRICULUM VITAE

Name	ABOUDARHAM Pierre
Nationality	French
Date of birth	27 September 1930
Family status	Married, one child (adult)
Languages	French, English
Honour	Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Mérite

### Professional career

Following advanced studies in mathematics and physics, in 1957 Pierre Aboudarham joined the laboratory of the Radio Services Directorate of the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, where he took part in research on radio transmitters and receivers for use in intercontinental telephone and telegraph relations.

As the official in charge of radio equipment certification in France, he directed the unit responsible at that time for drafting all specifications for the approval of both professional and consumer equipment. He taught radio engineering in PTT schools. He was also appointed as a court expert for matters involving national radiocommunication regulation.

In 1980, he was appointed Deputy Head of the Radiocommunication Bureau of the General Directorate of Telecommunications in the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications. For four years in that post, he organized frequency management in France, being responsible in particular for the distribution of frequency bands among the various ministerial departments, maintenance of the national register of assignments and both national and international coordination, while participating *inter alia* in the international groups responsible for the frequencies to be used by the future GSM system.

During the same period, he assumed responsibility for relations with international partners, particularly within the framework of the International Telecommunication Union and the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT), as detailed below.

Following his appointment in 1984 as technical director reporting to the Director of the Paris B Centre of the National Telecommunication Research Centre (CNET), specializing in transmission media (satellite, radio-relay, cable, mobile radio), he went on to head the Centre's "mobile communications" division. In that capacity, he contributed to the early work on pre-definition of the GSM standard.

In 1985, he became Chairman of the technical group of the Commission for Radiocommunication Analysis and Planning (CSPR), charged by the Telecommunication Coordination Committee (CCT) answerable to the Prime Minister with drawing up a conspectus of conditions governing utilization of the spectrum by public and private users, their long-term requirements, appropriate solutions and recommendations for optimum spectrum utilization.

On the establishment of France Telecom in 1990, he was appointed Head of the Frequency Bureau of the France Telecom group, a post he occupied until 1993 under a direct mandate from the Managing Director of France Telecom.

Since 1993, he has devoted himself entirely to international activities, at the request of France Telecom initially, and subsequently of the French Administration, in particular, since its establishment, the National Frequency Agency.

In 1995 he produced an important contribution to the technical encyclopedia "Les techniques de l'ingénieur" (Engineering techniques), on "Les fréquences radioélectriques - utilisation et gestion du spectre" (Radio frequencies - spectrum utilization and management).

### **International activities**

From the 1970s onwards, by virtue of his successive responsibilities in the French Administration, and later with the public operator, Pierre Abouardham took an active part in the work of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT), and in particular its land mobile and maritime mobile subgroups.

Apart from working on the CEPT Radio Committee and its working groups, Pierre Abouardham was the first Chairman of the CEPT group responsible for studying compatibility between radio systems. He was subsequently appointed Chairman of the Spectrum Engineering group within the European Radiocommunication Committee (ERC), Vice-Chairman of the CEPT Conference Preparatory Group (CEPT/CPG) for the 1995 World Radiocommunication Conference, and Chairman of the working group responsible for regulatory issues within the CPG.

Since 1980, when he served as deputy head of the French delegation to the Regional Administrative HF Broadcasting Conference for Region 2, he has also taken an active part in the work of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and in practically all ITU radio conferences, including:

- Regional Administrative Radio Conference for the Planning of the Broadcasting-Satellite Service in Region 2 (Geneva, 1983);
- World Administrative Radio Conference for the Mobile Services (Geneva, 1983), as deputy head of the French delegation;
- World Administrative Radio Conference for the Mobile Services (Geneva, 1987);
- World Administrative Radio Conference on the Use of the Geostationary-Satellite Orbit and the Planning of Space Services Utilizing It (Geneva, 1988);
- Plenipotentiary Conference (Nice, 1989);
- World Administrative Radio Conference (Torremolinos, 1992), as deputy head of the French delegation;
- World Administrative Radio Conference (Geneva, 1993), as deputy head of the French delegation;
- Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994);
- World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 1995), as deputy head of the French delegation;
- World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 1997).

Since 1983, Pierre Abouardham has on several occasions served as Chairman of the Editorial Committee at such conferences (particularly WARC-MOB-83, ORB-88, WARC-92).

In the 1980s, he was the signatory for France of the Memorandum of Understanding protocol on "Broadcasting in Europe and mobile service in the United Kingdom".

During the years 1984-1994, he participated actively in the work of Study Groups 1, 2 and 8 of the International Radio Consultative Committee (CCIR).

Putting to good use the technical and regulatory knowledge acquired during his career and his active relations with both the International Radio Consultative Committee and the ITU Radiocommunication Bureau, Pierre Abouardham participated effectively as head of the French

delegation in all aspects of the work of the ITU Voluntary Group of Experts (VGE) for simplification of the Radio Regulations.

At the Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998), Pierre Abouardham was elected as a member of the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) and is serving as its Chairman in 2001.

**In conclusion**, after more than forty years of professional activity in the radiocommunication field, and having been involved from the outset in regulatory issues, Pierre Abouardham has a great deal of experience in international relations in the radio regulatory field and an excellent knowledge of ITU, its structures and its operation.

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