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| Proposals for the work of the conference | |
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|  | CONSTITUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION |

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|  | **Preamble** |

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|  | CHAPTER I  Basic Provisions |

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|  | ARTICLE 1  Purposes of the Union |

**Reasons:** The current text provides the necessary clarity, completeness, and flexibility for the Union to respond to the extremely dynamic telecommunications environment.

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|  | ARTICLE 4  Instruments of the Union |

**Reasons:** Article 4, as it is currently written, is the bedrock for maintaining a stable legal framework for the Union. As such, the United States proposes no change to this important article.

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|  | ARTICLE 5  Definitions |

**Reasons:** The United States proposes No Change (NOC) to Constitution Article 5, the terms used in the Constitution (CS) and defined in its Annex, and the terms used in the Convention (CV) and defined in its Annex. We believe the current definitions are flexible and technology neutral and maintaining them will help ensure fundamental stability of the basic instruments of the Union. The current definitions allow the Union to respond to the rapidly changing telecommunications environment, and maximize benefits to ITU members. In addition, many administrations have incorporated these definitions into their national laws and regulations and would be compelled to amend those laws and regulations if the definitions are revised. The United States believes that the current definitions provide Member States the ability to adopt national telecommunication policies and regulations which support the harmonious development of international telecommunication services.

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|  | ARTICLE 8  Plenipotentiary Conference |

**Reasons:** The text of this provision provides clear guidance as to the purpose and responsibility of the Plenipotentiary Conference.

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|  | ANNEX  Definition of Certain Terms Used in this Constitution, the Convention and the Administrative Regulations of the International Telecommunication Union |

**Reasons:** In support of the **NOC** to Article 5 of the Constitution, the United States proposes **No Change (NOC)** to the terms that are defined in the associated Annex of the Constitution (CS). Specifically, this refers to No. 1001 through 1017 of the Constitution.

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|  | CONVENTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION |
|  | CHAPTER I  Functioning of the Union |
|  | SECTION 1 |

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|  | ARTICLE 1  Plenipotentiary Conference |

**Reasons:** The text of this provision provides clear guidance as to the purpose and responsibility of the Plenipotentiary Conference.

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|  | ANNEX  Definition of Certain Terms Used in this Convention and the Administrative Regulations of the International Telecommunication Union |

**Reasons:** In support of the NOC to Article 5 of the Constitution, the United States proposes **No Change (NOC)** to the terms that are defined in the associated Annex of the Convention (CV). Specifically, this refers to No. 1001 through 1006 of the Convention.

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RESOLUTION 185 (Busan, 2014)

Global flight tracking for civil aviation

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union (Busan, 2014),

**Reasons:** This Resolution is no longer needed since WRC-15 allocated spectrum for ADS-B signals; and through RESOLUTION 425 (WRC-15) “Use of the frequency band 1 087.7-1 092.3 MHz by the aeronautical mobile-satellite (R) service (Earth-to-space) to facilitate global flight tracking for civil aviation”, tasked the ITU-R, with the participation of ICAO, to continue the studies.