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Subject: World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-20)

(1-9 March 2022)

Global Standards Symposium (GSS-20) (28 February 2022)

Dear Sir/Madam,

Further to DM letter <u>DM-20/1017</u> and circular letter <u>No. 21/3</u>, and in view of the COVID-19 pandemic resulting on restrictions on work and travel, I am pleased to inform you that the next WTSA has been rescheduled from 1 to 9 March 2022 after the Global Standards Symposium on 28 February 2022 both in Hyderabad, India, subject to the restoration of work and travel conditions in India and in other Member States.

In accordance with Article 25 of the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union and Section 3 of the General Rules of Conferences, Assemblies and Meetings of the Union, I therefore have great pleasure in hereby inviting you to send a representative to WTSA-20 and to the Global Standards Symposium (GSS-20). In accordance with No. 476 of the ITU Convention, ITU-T Sector Members will not be charged for their attendance at WTSA-20.

Under separate cover you will soon receive the relevant Circular of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau (TSB) containing information on the organization and arrangements of WTSA-20 and GSS-20.

In line with ITU gender equality and mainstreaming policy and Resolution 198 (Rev. Dubai, 2018) on empowerment of youth through telecommunication/ICT, I would also like to take the opportunity to encourage you to include women and young people in your delegation. As part of my commitments to the <u>International Gender Champions</u>, ITU <u>reports on the representation of women in all ITU meetings</u>.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

Houlin Zhao Secretary-General