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Decision 632

(adopted at the seventh Plenary meeting)

Expert Group on Decision 482 (EG-DEC482)

The ITU Council,

considering

*a)* Resolution 91 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010) of the Plenipotentiary Conference, on cost recovery for some ITU products and services;

*b)* Decision 482 (C01, last amended C20) on the implementation of cost recovery for satellite network filings,

decides

to create an Expert Group on Decision 482 (EG-DEC482) with the Terms of Reference shown in Annex 1 of this Decision,

instructs the Secretary-General

to make the necessary arrangements to implement this Decision.

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Terms of Reference of the Council expert group on Decision 482

The terms of reference of the Council Expert Group on Decision 482 are as follows:

1. The Council Expert Group on Decision 482 shall, based on principles and guidelines provided in Resolution 91 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010), in particular *resolves* 4 vi), study the appropriateness or otherwise of any of the items listed below (derived from Annex 1 to Document [C23/19](https://www.itu.int/md/S23-CL-C-0019/en)), based on information provided by the Radiocommunication Bureau if requested and contributions submitted to its meetings.

 a. In the case of non-receivable filings, the appropriateness or otherwise of charging a fraction of the amount of an equivalent receivable filing for such cases, taking into account the needs of developing countries.

 b. Whether there are categories of filings for non-GSO satellite systems that, due to their complexity, should not be eligible to free entitlement.

 c. Whether specific fees should be paid for processing submissions related to earth stations in motion, while avoiding double invoicing.

 d. The cost of processing resubmissions of notification requests.

 e. The costs associated with the BR’s implementation of additional provisions: Resolutions **4** and **49**, Nos. **11.32A** (see footnote a), **11.41**, **11.47**, **11.49**, Subsection IID of Article **9**, Sections 1 and 2 of Article **13**, Article **14**. The Bureau is invited to provide information on the cases already submitted.

 f. The costs of processing non-GSO filings having more than 75 000 units or, alternatively, whether the formula to compute units for such non-GSO satellite systems should take into account the impact of the number of different orbital altitudes, number of satellites, number of earth stations, or other characteristics affecting workload associated with the processing of non-GSO systems.

 g. Consider the introduction of units in categories A1 and N4, with a different fee being charged for more complex or larger systems, depending on the number of units.

 h. An additional fee for recovering the costs of epfd examination of coordination requests and notifications.

 i. Consequences of modifications introduced by any WRC after WRC-2000, if any, to regulatory provisions governing the Space Plans.

 j. The cost of dedicated resources needed to continually update and modernize the Bureau software applications used for satellite filings. However, satellite cost recovery should not be used to fund development of software tools for processing terrestrial filings.

2. It shall prepare an interim report containing recommendations for the possible revision of Decision 482 for submission to the 2024 session of the ITU Council.

3. The final report of the group shall be submitted to the 2025 session of the ITU Council for action and possible revision of Decision 482.

4. It shall be open to all ITU Member States and Sector Members and work in the English language. It should hold physical meetings with remote participation in conjunction with those of ITU-R Working Party 4A or Council working groups or any other relevant events, when possible.

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