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| COMMENTS ON THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL “SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS FOR THE ITU STRATEGIC AND FINANCIAL PLANS 2028-2031” |
| **Purpose**This document presents a proposal hold a discussion regarding the positioning and focus of ITU activities taking into account the overall landscape of the ICT industry, and reflect results in report “SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS FOR THE ITU STRATEGIC AND FINANCIAL PLANS 2028-2031” to take into account the views of the Member States.**Action required**The Council Working Group for strategic and financial plans 2028-2031 is invited to **consider** the present contribution and **take necessary actions**, if any.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**References**[*Document CWG-SFP-3/3*](https://www.itu.int/md/S25-CWGSFP3-C-0003/en) |

**I Introduction**

The Russian Federation would like to thank the ITU Secretary-General and the secretariat for the preparation of the report “SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS FOR THE ITU STRATEGIC AND FINANCIAL PLANS 2028-2031”.

The report covers the main trends and the landscape of the ICT sector at a high level, but in sufficient depth. Indeed, the world is going through an era of global changes in all spheres of public life, including the transformation of international relations and the reassessment of the role and place of the institutions of the UN system. New challenges and new requirements that Member States face in connection with changing international relations, the introduction of new digital technologies, artificial intelligence, global satellite systems and their applications pose new challenges for international organizations that can only be solved using innovative methods and approaches. We are witnessing a shift in interests and the emergence of new demands from States in the international regulation in all areas. At the same time, a fundamental restructuring is required in the strategy of international organizations aimed at solving the primary tasks and needs of the Member States.

Our Union is faced with the task of seriously rethinking the strategy of our activities in the future. It has to be stated that at present rapidly developing technologies, especially space technologies, remain without the mechanism of international legal regulation agreed upon in ITU. This leads to the fact that States at the national level begin to develop conditions for the use of such radio technologies without relying on international recommendations and agreed criteria for compatibility and protection of the sovereign rights of other States.

The Russian Federation, as one of the founding nations of the Union, is deeply worried about the current situation where the ITU's technical authority is becoming increasingly "unclear". The Union is starting to take on general responsibilities that are not central to its role, rather than concentrating on practical objectives aimed at developing specific recommendations, methodologies, standards and regulatory proposals in the ICT sector.

In order to ensure that the Union's investments in financial and human resources are aligned with the priorities and expected performance of each Sector by the Member States, the General Secretariat and the three Bureaux should clarify their priorities based on their core responsibilities, strategic objectives and actual needs of Member States.

We consider it necessary to have a broad discussion on the needs and expectations of the Member States during the Council Working Group for strategic and financial plans (CWG-SFP) meeting.

**II Proposals**

2.1 The Russian Federation proposes to hold a discussion regarding the positioning and focus of ITU activities taking into account the overall landscape of the ICT industry, and reflect results in report to take into account the views of the Member States.

2.2 To instruct the secretariat to prepare an updated report, taking into account the proposed amendments and the discussion in the CWG-SFP.

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