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| Member States of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL) |
| Proposed suppression of Resolution 77 |
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| **Abstract:** | Considering that the actions encompassed by WTSA Resolution 77 (Rev. Hammamet, 2016) on SDN either have been completed or are well underway in the study groups and with the TSB; and in line with the guidelines that Resolutions describing completed work should be suppressed, CITEL proposes to suppress Resolution 77. |

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RESOLUTION 77 (Rev. Hammamet, 2016)

Enhancing the standardization work in the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector for software-defined networking

(Dubai, 2012; Hammamet, 2016)

The World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (Hammamet, 2016),

**Reasons:** WTSA Resolution 77, created in WTSA-12, resulted in a focus of SDN activities within ITU-T. In WTSA 2016, Resolution 77 was modified to instruct Study Group 13 to continue work in JCA SDN. Since then, significant work on SDN has been completed and ongoing work is well underway in the study groups. In particular, the following achievements have been made in connection with the operational clauses of this Resolution:
• *resolves to instruct study groups of the ITU Telecommunications Standardization Sector*Work continues in ITU-T SG2, SG5, SG11, SG12, SG13, SG15, and SG17 on SDN standardization, with a significant number of approved SDN-related Recommendations.
In particular, ITU-T SG15 in their liaison statement to TSAG (TSAG-TD746) reported that significant SDN-related work has been completed, resulting in the development of a suite of Recommendations to allow the deployment of SDN in transport networks. In addition, SG15 have addressed the use of SDN to manage transport networks that support IMT-2020. SG15 concluded that Resolution 77 should be suppressed.
• *instructs Study Group 13:*JCA-SDN concluded its work on 9 November 2017 with the release of the SDN Standards Roadmap. The SDN coordination work became part of the regular work of JCA-IMT2020.
*• instructs the Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group*No actions needed during the 2017-2020 Study Period.
*• instructs the Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Bureau*TSB had organized a number of workshops on SDN.
Considering that the actions encompassed by the Resolution either have been completed or are well underway in the study groups and with the TSB; and in line with the guidelines (WTSA Resolution 1, 1.3 d)) that Resolutions describing completed work should be suppressed, Resolution 77 on SDN will not be required in the next Study Period.