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>> CHAIR: Good morning, Ladies and Gentlemen. We will
begin the Plenary. Allow me to begin by chairing in Spanish and
then chairing in English. The reason why I'm doing that is
because we believe that we would like to on behalf of all the
Delegates thank the Delegation from Argentina for the splendid
reception that they invited us to yesterday. Likewise I hope
that the beauty of this country and its capital will allow us to
have the results that we are all expecting and to have full
implementation of the theme of this conference which is the
adoption of the Strategic Plan and Buenos Aires Declaration, the
spirit of international cooperation of all our friends and
Delegates. We encounter all your cooperation to lead to our
expected outcomes. Now allow me to please move in to English.

Thank you. Thank you, Argentina. So you have the agenda
and I think we have -- first we have ADM/7. It is for the entire
period of our meeting. So I ask if you can agree on the agenda.
Any comments? India, please you have the floor. (No audio)

I ask the floor I see nobody. Okay. Can we approve the
agenda? No requests from the floor. ATDI.

>> ATDI: (No audio).

>> CHAIR: It seems we have some problem for the system but
I see some green light. So the requests from the floor and I
have -- I see the green light there and there. Canada, please.

>> CANADA: (No audio).

>> CHAIR: Canada requested the floor. I want to give the floor to Canada. ATDI.

>> CANADA: (No audio). Yes. Thank you, Chairman. Apologies, it seems there is a minor technical problem that's being resolved. There was the sole purpose of my intervention and, of course, to say good morning to you and to all colleagues.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. I have still ATDI.

>> ATDI: Okay. Good morning. Now I have the floor. We cannot get the agenda via the Internet. The WiFi is working but the passcode and user name don't work. I was told that in Geneva that they will try to solve it. In any case please show the agenda on the screens because we cannot get it via the Web. So please show the agenda on the screen. Thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you for the request. It is reasonable and in general when we speak some documents I prefer to see it on the screen. Okay. It is feasible.

Okay. Finally we got the agenda. It seems there are some organizational problem that I was hoping to be solved before the meeting. But we solve at the meeting.

So now we -- do you see the agenda? Can you go -- because the agenda for the entire day. So can you approve the agenda? I see no requests for the floor. So the agenda is approved.

So let's proceed a little bit about the -- we arrived to the -- this Strategic Plan and declaration. As the director say at the beginning of the meeting, this time we have arrived quite a long preparation. And in fact, it is already two years that the draft Strategic Plan as a planning document 7 in the ATDI declaration of in document 9 have been worked on.

In 2015 TDAG established the respondent's group of operational plan in declaration that I have the honor of chairing. The document of the Strategic Plan and the declaration were then drafted with the aim of facilitating the work of the World Telecommunication Conference '17, the present group. The correspondence group worked on a draft action plan which we discuss as you are aware in Committee 3 according since the mandate of our group is Strategic Plan and declaration.

After being endorsed by the 16 meeting of TDAG the documents were submitted as a contribution to all six regional preparatory meetings, RPMs for WTDC. TDAG '17, last TDAG meeting in May '17 the documents were made available for reference by membership, while preparing a proposal from WTDC 17. Where before us TDAG adopted document 7 on the draft Strategic Plan and 9 on the declaration submitted by my dear friend to this conference. In principle the rules that were received by the conference on these two topics were prepared using these two documents as a basis.

So that's to make some historical, that is good to remind that this is not the first time we have seen this text.

The Working Group-Plenary will focus on the new Strategic Plan because there is an urgency to finalize the text associated in older fora since Committee 3 commenced its work on the action plan. After adoption of the Strategic Plan we will focus on the declaration.

So let's see, taking as a basis was document 7 and let's see now the contribution from the various regions on this document in order to make a complete picture. First if you agree on this way of proceeding I will ask the members of the Telecommunication Union to present document RFCP 982/1. Someone from ITU can present this document? So while the African regional union is digesting who will present this document, I will invite the representative of the Arab States to present document Arab 21/1. Someone from Arab States can present this document? It seems we have a very slow start because nobody is ready.

Arab Emirates, finally one response to my request, right. Please go ahead.

>> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: Thank you very much, Chair. Good morning, everyone. Chair, first of all, I'd like to congratulate you as you are chairing this Working Group of the Plenary. We would like to wish you and all the members of your team every success in your work. Chair, I have a question. Document Addendum 1 on Resolution A, are we going to discuss Resolution 1 now? Or not? Addendum 1, the document and amendments 2 Resolution 1. I'd like to just ask you that, Chairman. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: No. My intention is to really focus on the Strategic Plan and the declaration. So the part dealing with the Strategic Plan, your proposed amendment to documents 7 and the reasoning. The main point that you want to outline for the meeting. So one can after we -- after hearing the presentation of which region is my intention to open a discussion to see if there is some common ground and afterwards to propose a way forward. Deem important to draw the attention to this meeting.

If there is no particular point you want to outline, the document has been a very -- we can proceed to the next -- my request is really if the region wants to outline some particular point. If not, okay. The document is there. No problem. Oh, next one, see I'm -- the silence means that everyone is understood. So maybe I can ask in this case the representative of CITELE to present document 207/1. Brazil, please.

>> BRAZIL: Thank you, Chairman. On behalf of CITELE Brazil would like to present document 20 Addendum 17. This is a proposal for modification to the Strategic Plan. The CITELE

proposal also contains an action plan so that -- because these documents are interrelated. We have suggested some proposed modifications to the Strategic Plan. Our main objective 1 relates to coordination. Here we believe that it is fundamental that one of the outcomes should be to support development programs, particularly regional initiatives. Under objective 2, telecommunications and ICD infrastructure, we highlight the importance of exchanges of information to create a safe and secure environment. Under objective 3, enabling environment, we highlight that the ITU-T should seek further partnerships including public, private, and public/private partnerships. In addition to our region it is essential that among the different training the issue of Internet Governance should be considered and carried out and implemented in the next period. They had added issues of spectrum and digital agenda. We think this should be discussed in the recent objective and not objective 2.

Under objective 4, inclusive digital society, we propose that we foster the use of ICTs in less developed countries and small island developing states, including the availability and affordability of transport to international submarine fiber optic network connection points.

In addition we believe that it is important to speed up economic and social development by leveraging new technologies and telecommunications applications. And finally we underscored the fact that the outcomes of 4.3 are fundamental to try to develop strategies and policies on digital inclusion, particularly for people with specific needs and vulnerable groups such as women, children, and the elderly among others.

Now with regard to outcome -- output proposal, here I would -- it is important that the Strategic Plan contain some references to products and services related to each of these. We shouldn't just have products and services. This is important to try to align the work of the BDT in the next period. Thank you very much, Chairman.

We are at your disposal to discuss this with the other regional groups to try to achieve a Consensus but we do have some points that are very important for the region. And we believe that it is -- it will lead to a stronger, more consolidated Strategic Plan if they were to be included. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Brazil, for the clear presentation. Now I have Arab Emirates.

>> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: (Speaking in a non-English language). Thank you, Chair. The document is document 21, Addendum 31 on amendments proposed by the Arab group on the Strategic Plan. I have the honor, Chair, to be introducing this document on behalf of the Arab group.

Chair, we have some changes which we would like to propose, particularly in terms of strengthening international cooperation to modify CTs and these relevant technologies. And also on the point on infrastructure, modern infrastructure, that is. And particularly D22, enhanced capacity of ITU membership to effectively respond to cyber threats by establishing international mechanisms of cooperation and develop national, regional and international cybersecurity strategies and capabilities.

Then D23, strengthening capacity of Member States, we would like to use telecommunications and ICTs for disaster and risk management and preparedness and to ensure the availability of emergency telecommunications as in D3 on the enabling environment, D32 here on statistics. Here is an amendment proposed in terms of wording to be in line with what is used elsewhere. Finally changing the title and applications, ICT applications to empower people and societies for socioeconomic development.

And development, environmental protection and promoting the use of green and renewable energy. Now on a global society, improving applications, telecommunications applications, and then D44, promoting Member States' capacity to implement strategies that could then support and promote the use of green renewable energy.

We also have some proposals to amend D4 on the second page. That as was said by the representative of the American group, we would also like to cooperate with other regions so that we can reach a common position that benefits everyone.

One brief comment, Chair, finally on WiFi connectivity. We have had some difficulties at the beginning of this meeting. And we do hope that we will be able to address these difficulties so that we can work more easily and effectively using the Internet in this building. Thank you very much, Chair. I wish you every success.

>> CHAIR: Thank you my friend. I found also the same problem. So I hope that it will be solved and we have -- we have had a problem starting the meeting but now I think that everything will go pretty much on track. Now I also have to thank you for the clear presentation and priority of your region. And now I can -- I have a request from Georgia. So there was a mistake again. Some problems in the room it seems. So we can proceed now to the next, if you agree, presentation. A request for someone from APT to present document 15/1. Korea, please.

>> REPUBLIC OF KOREA: Thank you, Chair. Congratulations on your Chairship for this important Plenary Working Group. Good morning, everyone. On behalf of APT members I'm very pleased to

introduce the document 22 A15. APT has developed the inputs to the draft ITU-D contribution to ITU Strategic Plan. This document is a revised version of the draft general ITU-T contribution to the draft Strategic Plan of ITU developed by the TDAG correspondence group. For the development of this contribution, APT had a two-step approach. They coach -- APT members recognize the strong substantive relationship between the ITU-T action plan and ITU Strategic Plan.

Following the first step of the agreement on the amount of the ITU-T action plan, the amount has been correspondingly reflected in this contribution to the ITU Strategic Plan, which mainly provides revised text in the outcome output and D2. Introduction, APT members proposed this statement for further consideration at your Working Group. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much for the clear presentation and brief introduction. Now I will go and come back after 280. Now we go to Europe, European Member States, also meeting counterproposal. Your 43. Someone can present this contribution?

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Congratulations for your assignment to head the Chair of this Working Group. And we wish you an extremely successful Chairmanship. So the document that we are presenting in document 33 -- 43 is a multi-country proposal submitted by several European Member States. And in fact, this document, this contribution reflects in a Strategic Plan the proposals made by the CPT to the action plan, document WTDC-17/24 Addendum 9. So that was basically our understanding about this exercise. We started to work on the action plan and then based on the work that we have developed on the action plan we are reflecting this introduced Strategic Plan. So our priorities here in relation to these Strategic Plan are reflective in many proposals and outcomes and outputs of this sector. And in particular the -- there is a call for the support of the countries in need. And I would like also to stress in your outcome D4.5 that we are proposing which is enhanced use of enabling technology, in particular information and commune -- and communication technology to promote the empowerment of human and girls. And with that we have -- correspondent output related to this outcome. This is a presentation of document 43. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you for the clear presentation. Now I offer the floor if there is a representative of ITU. In the time being already on light of the presentation of various regions, their contribution. If not we will proceed. CTI.

>> CTI: Thank you, Chairman. Following all the Delegations who have already taken the floor, we, too, would like to congratulate you on your election as Chairman of this Working

Group. And we would like to present document 19 Addendum 2 which relates to the Strategic Plan. The group's proposal relates mainly to the range of products, particularly to the output of 1.4 and the output of 1.7 which it follows different objectives. In the context of the subsequent discussions that we will have here we will enter in to further detail on the contributions that we have proposed. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you Cote D'Ivoire for introducing your document and your proposal. Now proceed. First I thank all the representatives, Member States who have introduced their regional contributions for the Strategic Plan. Before I open the floor for discussion of the five different proposals I would like to refer you to the document DL6 compiled by the Secretariat. That is -- that was posted on the Web by the Web function. DL6 is only available in English as it is based on source documents that are in all the official languages. For our discussion there is also interpretation in all the official languages. The document shows all the contributions that were made to this conference to the Strategic Plan and would like to see if possible to project this DL6 on the screen.

And maybe bigger. Yeah. So we can see how it looks like because they are displaying it. We see only partly. So we have to reduce because -- okay. You have to see all the identifying proposals.

I don't know if you want to give some -- how it is presented, please.

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. As the Chairman summarized the contributions made to the conference on the ITU-D Strategic Plan are based on the source document No. 7 adopted by TDAG. And as you noted all the contributions were actually inserted in that document indicating the changes. So what we have done is that we have compiled all the contributions portion by portion. So we have four objectives based on document No. 7 and within each objective you will see the contributions of each regional grouping based on the common proposals that were made including, in fact, minus the last part. So what you will see, you are going to see all your contributions portion by portion. And I think, Mr. Chairman, we would like you to look at each objective in part. So you can follow the discussion based on this compilation. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: The intention is to go through this document making your own comments. You request the floor.

>> Thank you, Chairman. And good morning and congratulations on your Chairmanship to this Committee. We would like to thank the Secretariat for their explanation of this document. Just clarification, when we see the source document it is from TDAG. However it appears as if WTDC-17 has adopted this.

Is it possible to clarify the language that this is a TDAG input document and not a WTDC-17 document? Thank you very much.

>> Thank you very much to the Distinguished Delegate from the United States. In fact, the BDT submitted WTDC-17 document 7 just as a reference document. The strategy of the Chairman is to look at the contributions by the Member States to WTDC-17 based on their original contributions. So the document No. 7 if I may repeat is just for reference purposes. But I think the Chairman thanks the Member States for using document No. 7 as a reference in their submissions to the WTDC-17. So we are concentrating -- what you are seeing is not document 7. You are seeing the regional contributions by regional groups. So Member States. I hope that answers your question.

>> CHAIR: So can we proceed objective by objective and see what we can achieve? I open the discussion really for each objective, I think is the aim of the outcome and outputs.

So you invite to have other point? So -- you have seen that various proposals in the documents. And you have seen the TDAG document has the basis. Any comment, discussion on the proposal? Any particular point you want to raise because we have to proceed and try to obtain some result as soon as possible? My intention is to finish this Strategic Plan if at all possible by today. So this is the aim.

So please ask for clarification, point of explanation to proposal some region to region and vice versa. Because each region is proposing something. We can try to combine but we have to have a discussion on the proposal. So I have first Canada.

>> CANADA: Thank you, Chairman. And I'd like to thank the Secretariat for the presentation of this compilation. Also like to especially thank our friends and colleagues from Brazil that submitted the CITELE inter-American proposal.

Mr. Chairman, if we understood correctly, of course, the first issue is that the reference document is a TDAG document. And that's a document that we are supposed to be working on. And in terms of how the meeting is going to proceed, your expectation we are going to go objective by objective trying to close each of the boxes with agreed text. And that's the first question.

And secondly, and just to reaffirm the intervention and strongly support the intervention of my colleague from Brazil for the Americas region we have worked very diligently and very hard on the elaboration of our contribution and we do sincerely hope that the core elements of our contribution will be maintained and kept in the final document. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: I can respond immediately to you. Yes, my intention is to go objective by objective and the outputs and having as a basis of document 7 to try to come to an agreed

solution for each objective. So we should be quick because we have limited time. But it is clear the priority. Now we have requests from the floor from Russia.

>> RUSSIAN FEDERATION: Thank you, Chair. First of all, congratulations on your appointment to this post. I'm sure that your experience and knowledge will help us to quickly solve these difficult issues. I just have a question on the procedure. Indeed the proposal is that we all did editorial work on each paragraph is done by the whole group, yes? And not so that you as a Chair prepare some kind of option with using -- taking in to account all the proposals which could be under each paragraph. Or are we doing that here at the meeting, take each paragraph and try to correct it and then agree on it? So just a question on the procedure. Thank you very much, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Yeah, the intention is to as you outline to have to examine all the proposals and see if there are conflicts. And after I will take on the basis of your intervention, I will try to propose some compromised text. That's the important like CITELE outline main point and Europe has outlined what they want and the same from ITU and Arab States. So we know exactly what is more important and see if all the various regions have comments on the basic fundamental proposal made by all the regions. It is really the momentum to discuss, to try to come to a solution when there is conflict and opinion. It is very simple, the conclusion I propose putting all together. So please see if there are objective by objective and see what we can achieve. So shall we proceed objective by objective?

Start with B1, objective 1, coordination, international cooperation agreement on mitigation ICT development. And you have various proposals for the little b1, b2 and so on. Any comments, requests for clarification to the other regions? Objective 1 up to D16 let's say. So it is crystal clear? There is no contrast in the proposal? We are now basing on the presentation made and if there are a particular point of clarification it is now. Because I do request that the presentation of the floor for comments counterproposal or way forward. So I have the request from Brazil, yes, you want to have the floor. Brazil.

>> BRAZIL: Thank you, Chairman. I wanted to clarify something. If there are no comments on objective 1, does that mean that we all agree on including the CITELE proposal and the ITU proposal? Is that the proposal on the table?

>> CHAIR: In fact, the intention is to hear all comments and propose a compromised section at the next session. If there are no comments, very simple solution provided, there is no difference of text and that's where we try to find alignment. No other requests from the floor? Germany, please.

>> GERMANY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Good morning, and as we want to congratulate you for taking this very difficult task to lead us through this two important documents of the conference. Our comment relates to the ITU proposal, D14 which is about effective signature of the multilateral cooperation agreement between states and between states and other players in the ICT ecosystem. And we have difficulties with this particular proposal. We do not believe that this should be included in the draft Strategic Plan of the union because the signature of the multilateral agreement is certainly within the competence of the Member States. And the ITU should not be in the position to put pressure on Member States in the -- to sign or not to sign multilateral agreements. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: I thank you twice, Germany, because finally understood what is the real meaning of this discussion, to outline where there are points of problems and that need to be solved by multilateral discussion. So you clearly state that this agreement is outside the scope of the Strategic Plan. And so that should be considered in my opinion.

ITU, Cote D'Ivoire, please.

>> COTE D'IVOIRE: Thank you, Chairman. Thank you to Germany for the comment that they have raised. I'd like to recall that the main objective of this D1 is to strengthen international cooperation and agreements on telecommunication and ICT development issues. We've looked at the outcomes and outputs within the ITU and we have seen that among the activities, the activities here we thought it would be helpful to have meetings organized or conferences organized. And we think that we could do better in that regard both -- within ITU we thought that it might be possible to have agreements between states, multilateral agreements. Our aim is not that the ITU oblige states to sign agreements as such. But what we wanted to say in this D14 is that the ITU should encourage and perhaps even coordinate this signature of such agreements. This wouldn't be the first time that such a thing would occur, because the radio communications sector taking up specific context we have had lots of framework agreements in which the ITU has encouraged or supported the signature. I'm talking, for example, the cross-border coordination agreements which were encouraged by and coordinated by the ITU. So we do take in to account the comment raised by Germany, but here we are not seeking for the ITU oblige states to sign any agreements but to encourage states because here we are talking about coordination and cooperation.

So we wanted -- we would like D14 to be maintained. We could perhaps reword it. But we do want to have specific activity on coordination and cooperation in telecommunications. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. Maybe you offer a solution because I understand that the Member States one cannot go against. At the same time I think we can press -- maybe some rewording is needed. I have Korea and Arab Emirates.

>> REPUBLIC OF KOREA: Thank you, Chair. I'm now comparing the original text of D13 and CITELE and ITU. CITELE inserted regional organization and ITU effective signature multilateral agreements between states. But I found from the original text D13 enhanced knowledge sharing, in partnership followed by among Member States, among Member States includes international organization, multilateral, bilateral, with signature or without signature. So I respect the original text among the same pool but more comprehensible. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Korea. I have requests now -- no more requests from the floor. Yes, Arab Emirates, please.

>> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Regarding the same point and the proposal that has been made by the African region, D14, and before clarifying what I want Mr. Chairman, I have a wish. Would have wished this document to be in the official languages of the union so that we will be able to consider the points in our mother tongue instead of another language. But we do understand the difficulties and the limited time that we have at the level of the Secretariat to ensure all translation. This is why I will turn to English since the document we have is in English.

Mr. Chairman, on the ITU proposal and after hearing the intervention of the Distinguished Delegate from Germany and the clarifications from the representative, from the African Group, perhaps we can do a slight amendment in order to reflect the understanding of this text to read as follows: To facilitate or, sorry, facilitate multilateral cooperation agreements between states and between states and other players in the ICT ecosystem.

So the role of the ITU or maybe we can have another word as suggested by the African colleagues to say facilitate, encourage multilateral cooperation and we continue. So perhaps this could be, Mr. Chairman, a solution on this specific paragraph. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, United Arab Emirates. The text on D16 is English text but in other languages. I am grateful you intervened in English. You made a clear proposal. So we can think about that in the final compilation. I have no further requests for the floor. Can we proceed the following -- yes, Senegal, please.

>> SENEGAL: Thank you, Chairman. I in turn would like to congratulate you on your leadership of our work. And I wanted to take this opportunity to support the proposal of the United Arab

Emirates which would allow us to find a compromise because the aim we are looking at here is to try to facilitate cooperation among ITU Member States. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. That will be taken in to account in the proposal or compromise that I will formulate at the end. Now have we exhausted the objective 1? Any further problem with objective 1? If not, we can move to objective 2.

Canada, please.

>> CANADA: Thank you, Chairman. And apologies for taking the floor again. When you are moving to the second objective, what does that mean with the first objective? Have we agreed on any particular text or is the Secretariat coming back with a revised text that reflects the discussions that we just had? I'm asking because again on CITELE D13 we are keenly, keenly interested that our text be adopted. So if I understood correctly we will see a revised version of this document that will include some of the comments and suggestions made by other colleagues. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: That's my original intention, to have revised text in encompassing the proposal as far as feasible, as far as not contrasting by another. And the intention is to work at the end of this meeting to try to have for this afternoon meeting this proposal. Again I will go only very lightly in English I'm afraid. Can we move to objective 2? So I remember objective 2 is modern and secure communication as infrastructure force the development of services and including building confidence and security in the use of information ICTs. And there is a proposal from CITELE to change the main text of the objective 2. You want to explain the reasoning? Okay. They are not changing. We can go to objective 2 as I said. Are there any point of objective 2 in the different proposals that need clarification, comments, proposal for modification? So the floor is open on all objective 2. And you see that there is quite a long -- there are three pages on DL. There are several up to the objective -- the 22 and so on. So any point of request of clarification? Cote D'Ivoire please.

>> COTE D'IVOIRE: Thank you, Chair. We didn't ask for the floor actually.

>> CHAIR: So any point of clarification requests for objective 2?

>> ATDI: Thank you, Chairman, for giving me the floor. Regarding the proposal of CITELE, strengthen Member States instead of ITU membership, can CITELE explain why only Member States make those communication infrastructure? Because when it was membership it includes Member States, sector members, and academia and others. So thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, ATDI. Any comments? Brazil, you have

the floor.

>> BRAZIL: Thank you, Chairman. While in truth it is an interesting point that has just been raised by our colleague. When they talk about membership, it is true that that concept is broader than Member States. So perhaps what we could do is in the spirit of compromise keep the reference to ITU membership. But I would like to make a comment as well. Here Brazil is representing the region. So if any country from the CITELE region does not agree and as we are moving through this very quickly and we don't have any time to discuss this as a region, if anyone were of the region does oppose this, please take the floor. That's another point that I wanted to raise.

Now in the next meeting, which is this afternoon, the ideas that we will propose a new Consensus text. We do not oppose that. But we would need the text to be ready before lunch that the region before the meeting, or at some point before the meeting can meet to agree on it.

I'm not only talking here on behalf of CITELE but on behalf of all the regions. If there are proposals from regions the regions have to agree on them. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: I entirely agree with you. And I think that's the intention is to move as quickly as possible at the end of this meeting to post the proposed compromised text. We have to see what are the main points of discussion of the various objectives and to reflect that in the proposed compromised text because we have not to avoid some fundamental point because I see, for example, in D21 there are several proposals and the compilation would be try not to be -- because we have not -- we have also two long texts. So we will try to really make it -- a compromised solution and after you can add the, shorten. My preference is to always have short text but I'm very strange. If long text allowed to have compromise I don't care.

So having said that, Germany, please.

>> GERMANY: Well, Chairman, I'm a little bit confused because objective 2 is quite a long column and I'm not sure whether we go through the entire column. You asked for questions for clarification and I have one. With regard to the proposal D22, from the Arab group, where the existing text is amended by establishing an international mechanism for cooperation with regard to cyber threats, I would like to get some clarification, what is exactly meant by these international mechanisms of cooperation. And, of course, also what is meant with international cybersecurity strategies and other amendments in this particular paragraph. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Again you are exactly -- you understood my way forward. So I want to have an outline, point of substance and you raise this point, this clear question. So some Arab States

can explain understanding.

>> Thank you, Chair. And a very good morning to you all. Indeed the proposed amendment from the Arab group on D22 pertains to the capacity building of ITU membership on security. Given that this capacity could further be strengthened by an international mechanism or regional one indeed for cooperation. So that the security dangers and threats of ICTs can be faced. This could be a mechanism which would assist us in our cooperation on a regional level as well as internationally on cybersecurity. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: In fact, I see that capacity building is quoted in your proposal but at the end I think the understanding is different if this is a way of capacity building or a real action required by the theme. So any further requests of clarification? None. So in this case if we proceed in the sense of stressing the capacity building point, Angola. Angola, you have the floor, but I see your requests several times. Angola.

>> ALGERIA: Thank you, Chair. It is Algeria in fact. It is not Angola. We would like to reiterate what was said by Egypt. We would like to create international cooperation mechanisms that are effective so that we can address cybersecurity threats. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: Japan, please.

>> JAPAN: Thank you. Thank you, Chair. So on behalf of Japan I would like to explain, introduce our proposal and APD.23. Our proposal is the issue, change the word from Disaster Risk Reduction to disaster management. That's it. Our intention is just management. It includes the thought we do after the -- after we discuss -- it means include the relief and after recovery. Our proposal is management is better than just risk reduction. Also they have another suggestion, to the Arab States proposal. So I raise -- I suggest to insert the and between disaster and risk. For disaster and risk management, so in this case disaster management and risk management that is not only the disaster management. So I have -- of course, I -- if insert this end. So another issue, another -- the meaning is included in this proposal. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: Next I have I don't know if it is Northern Ireland or United Kingdom.

>> UNITED KINGDOM: Thank you, Chair. But, of course, it is United Kingdom and Northern Ireland. First of all, congratulations to you to take on this very difficult job. We have heard reference to add international cooperation in D23. And you made a proposal that possibly we could change the text to focus it on international cooperation relating to capacity building. This is the Strategic Plan. And it is the marching orders for the ITU and the ITU-D.

The UK has no problems if nations wish to make national strategies and regional strategies. And indeed we would welcome cooperation between nations on this basis. However the way this is worded suggests that these international strategies and capabilities are organized by ITU-D. They certainly would need some sort of body or organization which sat above The Nations and we don't think that's appropriate.

Capacity building is, of course, important. But we think the current text is adequate and we don't feel that any changes to D22 are needed. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, United Kingdom, for a clear idea. United States.

>> UNITED STATES: Thank you, Chairman. We agree with the comments just made by the UK. We completely agree that capacity building for Member States on cybersecurity issues but we are not clear on what is meant by international mechanisms of cooperation. And it will be helpful if the -- if they can provide some examples of what is intended here so we can further the discussion.

>> CHAIR: That's an important point. If someone from the Arab group, Jordan, please.

>> JORDAN: Thank you, Chair. Just to respond to the question made on the objective of this -- other proposal I would like to clarify the following. As you know cybersecurity and cybercrime doesn't just effect one country. These are international problems. And the threats faced by some countries come from other countries. For example, the ITU is undertaking various activities to create national centers to tackle cyber attacks.

And this is why we need a regional, an international mechanism. So that we can have a link between these centers and these links should be logical and should be based on information exchange on the effects that these threats lead to. So we can't do this without agreements. And the ITU and the regional bureaus should be able to set up mechanisms for cooperation. For example, on a regional level in countries that have a national center, here we could sign agreements between national centers within the region. Through, that is through an agreement on information exchange.

So here we are not simply just talking about capacity building but also the idea of creating mechanisms that allow us to address these threats. And this would also then allow the ITU to build capacity to them, address cybersecurity threats generally. That's the goal of this proposal. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. I think there are different interpretations. By the way we have some -- maybe some informal

discussion between the proponents and the other parts. I think that's possible once you will see the proposal for compromised text. But I have still the requests from floor from India, Sudan and we have a quarter left. And if you want to have the compromised text we have to go through all the objectives and to have a meeting. We cannot be blocked on one particular point. Sudan and India.

>> SUDAN: Thank you, Chair. First and foremost we would like to congratulate you on your appointment to Chair this group. I'd like to respond to the question from the administration of the United Kingdom on examples of mechanisms, international cooperation mechanisms.

Speaking on behalf of the Arab States here I'd like to say that within our work on cybersecurity Arab States and others need this type of cooperation because we know that cybersecurity is a transnational, international issue. And we need therefore such mechanisms. For example, we know that first works at an international level, fiber first works at an international level to create groups to tackle these threats. We also have the impact organization and they -- they organize coordination between countries to address cybersecurity threats. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: Thank you.

>> INDIA: Good morning, Chairman. This is the first time we are taking the floor and we take this opportunity to thank the host administration as well as wish success for all the Delegates here for bringing outcomes. And we also congratulate you for the Chairmanship to lead us through this important document. Coming to this objective, D2.3 with regard to disaster management and (inaudible). One thing I want to submit here, Chairman, that is when we are dealing with the Disaster Risk Reduction and management and have cross-cut nature, perhaps we are to harmonize the definitions as well as stakeholders who have been defined and used across all UN platforms. The UN office for Disaster Risk Reduction, it defines what is disaster risk reduction and management and who are the stakeholders. Which is very important for LDCs and LLDCs and countries which are having disasters. So perhaps we should take harmonized views and definitions which we have used across all the platforms so that we don't do any omissions here.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. So now we have a few time left but I encourage really informal discussion on the controversial point. And you will see the compromised proposal but please already get together to try to find a common agreed text at the later. I am always willing to assist in this discussion as far as I have valuable time. So we have now done more or less objective 2. We can move to objective 3 because we have very few time left. And

objective 3 is enabling environment, fostering enabling policy regulation environment conducive to state verification ICT development. And you have the detailed outcome with a different proposal from the various regions. So as any point, specific point of the proposal that require specification, clarification for which you have comments, the other regions, please we dedicate this remaining few minutes to see if there are any comments. Germany, please.

>> GERMANY: I don't want to monopolize this questioning of these, the proposal for D31 speaks about spectrum management which is new text added to the original text. In line with other European proposals on the topic of duplication, we may have a difficulty with this and we need probably more clarification. We don't see that this is a particular objective for the development sector throughout the further radio sector. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Yes. You don't -- you are not to forget as you say there are different sectors in dealing with different matters. So this is a clear request to avoid duplication of work between the various sectors as far as possible. Any comments? In that case we will take in to account Germany's comments. Brazil.

>> BRAZIL: Thank you, Chairman. CITELE understands that this is an issue which is open to discussion which is discussed and can be discussed within ITU-D. We completely agree with avoiding duplication of work. CITELE's work is to put spectrum management under 3. And not confuse with technical aspects. That's our proposal.

While I have the floor, as Brazil I would like to ask for clarification on the proposal from the multi Europe group. In various places, for example, in 32 they talk about Member States in need. But in other places they don't include this reference in need. So I would like a clarification on why they have added this term to the text. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Brazil. The R sector not only doing technical studies but also doing regulations but that's another matter. Personal capacity building. We will take in to account all this discussion from reading the compromised proposal. Now someone from Europe can respond to the request from Brazil?

>> What question is -- the idea is to in certain provisions we feel that the objective should be addressed to -- in particular to countries in need in order to focus the activity of the sector, to some particular countries. I think in certain cases broadening the support to all membership might not be the right way forward. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Portugal. Now before I move on, can I ask the interpreters if they can give me an extra 15 minutes

because I want to finish this document if possible to provide a compromised proposal for this afternoon's session.

>> Yes, Chairman, that's fine.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. United States of America, please.

>> UNITED STATES: Thank you, Chairman. Our question has to deal with APT3-2. Periodically review that they reflect developments. Who are we asking to do this periodic review? Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. Brazil.

>> BRAZIL: Thank you, Chairman. Thank you Portugal for the clarification. Brazil's point here is that we understand the point that we need to focus efforts but we need to be careful to bear in mind that adding the term in need is creating new terminology separate to develop or Developing Countries. And specifically in point 32 we don't understand that it would be -- it would be necessary to do at all, because what we understand here we could make it clearer but we understand that here some countries are not providing information to allow the ITU to work on statistical issues. So we think it would be better to leave the original terminology and not add the reference in need here.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. We will take in to account the intervention and compromised proposal. Now there was a specific request to APT to clarify the reasoning for their modification, for statistic based and who is doing that. And I know that the sectors though give every year a meeting of -- on statistics and the Delegate from Japan has reminded once. I don't know if that's the response but please someone from APT. India, please.

>> INDIA: Thank you, Chairman. I also look for support from our Chinese Delegation because jointly we are going to present it when it comes to other segments where this is going to refer. But coming to the specific question about who are going to review, here we would like to draw the attention of the Distinguished Delegate to the Resolution 8, where there is a provision that says that WTIS is supposed to review and take additions with regard to benchmarking and development of additions. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. More or less you repeat what I was saying but with more clear terms. Any further question? If not, we can maybe move to objective 4. And objective 4, inclusive digital society, foster development, use of ICT telecommunication and application to empower people and society and maintain protection. And the relative outcome we will apply later on. Any requests for clarification, comments? Point of difference of opinion on objective 4 and to the outcome really because I see the objective and the outcome. United Arab Emirates, please.

>> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. We had some comment on -- on proposal but after looking at it carefully we are fine with the text proposed, Mr. Chairman. We don't need the floor anymore. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you for the various outcome. Any comments, outputs, outcome? Cote D'Ivoire or ATDI? ATDI.

>> ATDI: Thank you, Chairman. And again there is a proposal from Europe D44, enhanced capacity of ITU Member States in need. I represent the sector member ATDI and I think that we should leave ITU membership. And I could understand from Brazil they also agreed to leave membership. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. So there is also the proposal for Europe to have a new 5.4 -- 4.5. That's clear. So there is no further comments, no requests from the floor. Can we say that we have concluded the examination of the Strategic Plan? And with the assistance of the Secretariat we will produce as soon as possible a proposal for compromised text to be discussed in this afternoon's session and as soon as the Secretariat will post immediately when we have finalized the text so the regional group can have this text for their lunch meeting. Secretariat, please. I was told it would be posted before 1 o'clock. During the meeting they will have the text. Okay? So with that I think we can close and not take all the 15 minutes. Only five minutes more. And we adjourn the session and we will be back for the Plenary. Thank you.

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