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>> Good afternoon and welcome back to our first session of
Committee 3. With your permission, I would like to start. And
the first order of business is adoption of the agenda. The
agenda is contained in Document ATM/15. And I would like your
approval of this agenda. Any comments? None? Then I take it
that you approve the draft agenda as in Document 15E, ADM/15E.

Sudan is asking for the floor. You have the floor.

>> SUDAN: Thank you, Chairman. At the morning meeting we
stopped at Resolution 17, but this item is no longer on the
agenda. Are we going to discuss this later on? We would be
grateful for clarification. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Sudan for this clarification, for
asking for this clarification. The agenda 15E is on the screen,
and you can see that after regional initiatives, if you scroll,
Resolution 17. And we have five documents on Resolution 17.

So I intend to cover Resolution 17 in the continuation of
today's meeting.

Sudan are you happy with this?

>> SUDAN: Yes, sir. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much. So the agenda is adopted
and we can continue with our discussion on regional initiatives.
The first document that we would be considering is Document
ACP22A8.

This is the proposal from the Asia-Pacific. And I invite the focal point for Asia-Pacific to present this document. Australia you have the floor, sir.

>> Australia: Thank you Chair and good afternoon all. Australia has the pleasure of presenting this document on behalf of the APT member administrations have developed Asia-Pacific regional initiatives as part of our regional proprietary process for WTDC.

APT member administrations propose to suppress the regional initiatives for Asia-Pacific region in section 3 of the Dubai Action Plan and the following in the Buenos Aires Action Plan. ISPI would be addressing special needs of least-developed countries, small islands, developing states, including Pacific Island countries and landlocked developing countries. Harnessing ICTs to support the digital economy and an inclusive digital society at three fostering development of infrastructure to enhance digital connectivity. At four, it would be enabling policy and regulatory environments.

And at five, we would have continuing to secure contributing to a secure and resilient environment.

As I mentioned, the APT member administrations have supported these at their regional proprietary process, and we look forward to the support of members here. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Australia. Next we go to document 20A14. That's document by CTEL.

And I invite the focal point from CTEL to present this document.

The focal point from CTEL.

Canada, you have the floor.

>> CANADA: Thank you. With your indulgence, we could have back to this point in a couple minutes. If we could have your approval on this request, we would be much appreciative. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you Canada. Yes, we can move to the next document. The next document is RCC23A2. And I invite the focal point from RCC to present.

RCC. Focal point from RCC. Uzbekistan.

>> Thank you, Chair. Allow me to add some extra document, 23 amendment 2, which recovers five regional initiatives for these various regions. They were approved at the regional proprietary meeting.

Covering the countries in SEI region and was held in September 2013, in Kazakhstan. And these are the following regional initiatives. Number 1, focused on developing eHealth to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all, at all ages.

The aim here is to provide assistance in the region for technical solutions and specialized training programs in the field of E-health. With the aim of providing improved medical services through intercommunications. Region initiative 2

covers issues of the use of telecommunication and ICTs to ensure inclusive equitable, quality and safe education.

Including enhancement of women's knowledge of ICTs, and eGovernment. This initiative focuses on a centralized consultative and technical assistance for CIS countries on various aspects of the use of ICTs and education and also increasing ICT literacy to development human capacity and ensure gender and social equality.

The third to regulate communication infrastructure to make cities and human settlements, inclusive, safe and resilient.

Under this initiative the idea is to assist states in the region, particularly to create an enabling environment for development of intercommunication infrastructure in cities and settlements including the use of smart devices.

Fourth, the presence and rational use of natural resources. This initiative covers drawing up information systems to support decision-making for monitoring the environmental status and including creating spatial data infrastructure, and also issues of human capacity-building in this area.

Regional initiative 5 covers innovative solution and partnership with Internet of Things technologies and their interaction in telecommunication networks including 4G, IMT2020, and next generation networks. In the interest of sustainable development. Under this initiative, we're looking to assist the region in ensuring harmonious transformation of the telecommunication market. Transition of telecommunications operators to providing innovative services to users ensuring the stability and enhanced performance of telecommunication networks.

In the context of ubiquitous implementation of the technologies. That's all I have to say. Thank you for your attention.

>> CHAIR: Next we can to Document 24A8. It's from Europe. And I invite the focal point from Europe to present this. Poland, you have the floor.

>> Good afternoon. I would like to take this opportunity to present you on behalf of the Europe the proposal for the initiatives. We came up with the five year initiatives for Europe and the previous ones shall be suppressed. So the proposals are as follows:

Number 1, broadband infrastructure, broadcast management, to facilitate high speed connectivity with resilient and synergistic deployment and sharing while ensuring a trusted quality user experience. The second is a citizen centric approach to building services for national organizations to facilitate development of transformative and paperless citizen-centric services that could be accessible and available to all members of society.

Number 3, accessibility for debility and skills development for all to ensure digital inclusion and sustainable development.

The objective to bridge the digital divide and equip all groups of societies including persons with disabilities and specific needs to take advantage of ICTs by enabling capacity building on digital skills.

Number 4. Enhancing trust and confidence in the use of ICTs. Objective to support the deployment of resilient infrastructure and secure services where all citizens, especially children, can confidently use ICTs in their daily life.

And number 5, ICT centric innovation ecosystems. Objective to enhance entrepreneurship and establish a sustainable culture of innovation through concrete strategic actions using ICTs as enabler, building on the existing regional initiative in Europe on entrepreneurship innovation and youth. Thank you very much, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Poland. Next we go to Document 26 row 1. United States, you have the floor.

>> UNITED STATES: Thank you Chairman. I just wanted to clarify that Paraguay, the document will be AMS26R5. We would like to wish you every success in this committee, and on behalf of all of the administrations from the Americas region, we would like to present the five regional initiatives which were adopted at the proprietary meeting held in in Paraguay in February this year. Initiative 1 is disaster risk reduction and management communications. This is to provide assistance to Member State of the Americas in all phases of disaster risk reduction; i.e., early warning, disaster warn and relief. And telecommunication networks, particularly in small island developing states and the least-developed countries.

Initiative 2 is Spectrum Management and transition to digital broadcasting. The objective is to provide assistance to Member State in the Americas in the transition to digital broadcasting. The use of the digital dividend frequencies and Spectrum Management.

Initiative 3, deployment of broadband infrastructure, especially in rural and neglected areas and strengthening broadband access to services and applications. The objective is to provide assistance to Member State of the Americas to identify needs and in the development of policies, mechanisms and regulatory initiatives to reduce the digital divide by increasing broadband access and up take. As a means to achieve the SDGs.

Initiative 4 now, accessibility and affordability for an inclusive and sustainable Americas region. The objective to provide assistance to Member State in the region to insure the affordability of telecommunication communications services in order to build an information society for all and ensure the accessibility of telecommunications ICTs for persons with disabilities and others in vulnerable situations. Finally, initiative 5t development of the digital economy. Smart cities

and communities and Internet of Things, promoting innovation. This seeks to provide assistance to Member State of the Americas in developing national and regional policies to boost the digital economy, smart cities and communities and the Internet of Things. Thank you very much, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Paraguay and my apologies for the typo in document. Colleagues, we have now considered all regional initiatives from all regions. And I would like to see if there are any comments on these regional initiatives. Of course, the regional initiatives have already been coordinated within each region. So we do not expect lengthy discussions, but nevertheless, I'm opening up the floor for any possible discussions that you may wish to raise. India?

>> INDIA: Thank you, Chairman. As you mentioned, very important for the regions and we're happy that respective regions have identified the areas and they want them to be included. We fully support the other regions, to take forward development and deployment of ICTs and we wish them all the success. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, India. Any other point? None? Thank you very much. Then I take it that you approve all these regional initiatives as presented.

And we can take you to the next level.

(Applause)

Thank you very much. Then we go to the next item on the agenda. Resolution 17. We have five documents to consider. And I invite the focal point from Africa to present Document 19A7. The focal point from Africa.

>> AFRICA: Thank you, Chairman. We shall now present the proposal from the Africa region on Resolution 17. This contribution proposes to merge Resolutions 17 and 32. Because Resolution 32 relates to international and regional initiative and Resolution 17 relates to regional initiatives at the national and inter-regional levels approved by regions. We therefore suggest that Resolutions 17 and 32 be merged so that we have one resolution 17. And the title of this Resolution 17 would be "implementation of regionally approved regional initiatives at the national regional inter-regional and global levels and relevant international and regional cooperation."

And we will go into further details of this during the subsequent discussions. This is the proposal of the Africa Region on Resolution 17 and 32. Thank you Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much. We go to the next document IAP20A14. That's proposal from Asia-Pacific. I'm sorry, this is from CTEL. Document 20A14. And I invite the Delegate from Dominican Republic to present this.

>> Dominican Republic: Good afternoon, Chairman. And good afternoon to everybody. As this is the first time I'm taking the floor allow me to congratulate you on your appointment and wish you every success in your work ahead of this committee. On

behalf of the Member State of CTCL I will be presenting our proposal with regard to Resolution 17 contained in document 20 Addendum 14. We have presented modifications to amend the text since there are considerations already included in other resolutions, and in the resolves clauses, which is our fundamental proposal, we have included the need to have clear and detailed information on the budgetary allocations for the fulfillment of projects associated to initiatives.

Discriminating by region and by project. We believe that this would allow us as a region to better plan our activities that might be carried out through our initiatives and would also allow members to establish budgetary priorities for these types of activities. That's all. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much. Next we go to Document 21A5 from Arab states and I invite the focal point from Arab states to present the document. Sudan, you have the floor.

>> SUDAN: Thank you Chairman for giving me the opportunity to present to you Document 21 Addendum 5, related to Resolution 17. And the implementation of regionally approved initiatives at the national regional, under regional and global levels. Our suggestion is to merge Resolution 17 with Resolution 32 related to the implementation of regional initiatives. You will note there are some commonalities between these two resolutions. Our aim is to therefore merge these two resolutions. It is a position we share with other regions. Most of the amendments, therefore, relate to this proposal.

And they are taken out of Resolution 32, which was revised by the PP in Brusar (ph.). We take these into account and we take on a paragraph of Resolution 32 for the implementation of initiatives.

We have also added in recognizing a paragraph related to cooperation for the implementation of initiatives. All of the amendments come from Resolution 32, except for the paragraph related to the presentation of a report on the evaluation of the regional impacts resulting from the implementation of regional initiatives.

This is because this paragraph has a budgetary implication. However, we believe that the implementation of these initiatives is a very important thing, and it is therefore important that we look at whether or not they have been effectively implemented. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much. We'll now go to the next document. ACP22A10. This is from Asia-Pacific. And I invite the focal point from Asia-Pacific to present this document. Australia. You have the floor, sir.

AUSTRALIA: Thank you chair. Similar to the proposals we've just heard, we also saw an opportunity to streamline WTDC resolution 17 implementation of regionally approved initiatives at the national regional interregional and global levels and

Resolution 32, international and regional cooperation on regional issues in our proprietary process in the APT.

We propose to merge the resolutions, retaining Resolution 17 and suppressing Resolution 32. We propose to draw across relevant text from Resolution 32 to retain the intent of that resolution in the new merged resolution. There are some minor modifications that we've made to text in a couple of places, but nothing particularly substantial.

We've also included some new references to PP14, Resolutions, which of course were established following the last WTDC. And we have also sought to avoid the duplication of IDs. In the spirit of streamlining, we have not brought text from Resolution 32 to 17 that would say in a different way, express in a different way, an idea that was already contained in Resolution 17.

In merging the two resolutions, Eve also focused on the implementation of the regional initiatives as agreed at WTDC. I note there was a references to initiatives other than those that were agreed at WTDC in Resolution 32. So we look forward to discussing our proposal with members here. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much, Australia. Next is Document 23A10 by RCC. And I invite Delegate from Russian Federation to present the document. You have the floor, sir.

>> RUSSIA: Thank you, Chair. RCC, like other regional organizations pays great attention. I would highlight the importance of regional initiatives. We also propose to merge two resolutions.

17 and 32. Which cover the same issues, more or less. And we propose, to take Resolution 17 as the basis and then include in it provisions from resolution 32. We propose some updates also take into account decisions from the plenipotentiary conference in 2014 and others.

And then suppress Resolution 32. Thank you very much, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much, Russia. We have come to the end of different proposals on Resolution 17, and you have noticed that different proposals have the same objective of combining Resolutions 17 and 32. Taking Resolution 17 as the basis and then combining them.

As there are many similarities, I have requested my colleagues and the Secretariat to be in touch with different focal points with a view to preparing a consolidated text that would be agreeable to everybody.

At this time some regions have agreed to the proposed consolidated text and some regions would like to study it further. In that case I would suggest that we give more time to those regions that need further consultations. And nevertheless, the objective is to have one single document containing all views expressed in different proposals with respect to Resolution 17.

If that is agreeable to you, then we would come back to this agenda item at a later stage when we have a consolidated text agreed to by all regions.

Any comments on this proposal? None?

Do I take it that you approve this? Thank you very much.

So we would come back to this agenda item once we have consolidated text, which I do not expect major difficulties. Next we go to the third agenda item for today. Resolutions. And in order to start working on resolutions I would like to draw your attention to Document 11. For your information, during the past study cycle for 2014, TDAG established a correspondence group on streamlining resolutions. I happen to be the chair of that correspondence group, and I was fortunate to work with many of you on streamlining resolutions. We have noted that there are a large number of resolutions and there is a serious need to reduce the number of resolutions as possible.

What we did prior to this with respect to Resolutions 17 and 32 is a very good example of the way forward. Nevertheless, I would like to draw your attention to Document 11 for your information, and continue with our discussion.

The first resolution that we would be considering is Resolution 39. Agenda for connectivity in the Americas and Communal Action Plan.

It is a document by CTEL, 20A1. And I invite the focal point from CTEL to present this document. Paraguay, you have the floor.

>> PARAGUAY: Thank you, Chairman. To give you a bit of the background, at the WTDC held in 2002, in Istanbul, the ITU's support was requested for the agenda for connectivity in the Americas and the Quito Action Plan. In accordance with the mandate of the governance conference held in 2001. Over time, Resolution 39 has gone through its cycle without any modification. That is why we are asking for its suppression, and also to reduce the number of resolutions.

We also are grateful for the management and the corresponding support in this area. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much Paraguay. So the proposal is to suppress Resolution 39. Any comments?

Of course this is a proposal from CTEL. So a number of countries are supporting this, and the resolution is specifically focusing on the Americas.

So do I take it that you agree to suppress this resolution? Any comments? I do not see know requests for the floor, so I take it that Committee 3 agrees to suppress Resolution 39.

Thank you very much. And so decided.

Then we go to output 2.1, Resolution 9, the title of which is participation of countries, particularly Developing Countries and spectral management. We have a number of documents on this resolution.

And I'll start with Document 19A6 from Africa. I request the focal point from Africa to present this document. Nigeria, you have the floor, sir.

>> Nigeria: Thank you Mr. Chairman. On behalf of the African telecommunication union, we would present the proposed revision to the resolution 9. That consists of the following points:

Supporting countries, particularly Developing Countries, in the implementation of the outcomes and decisions of the world communications conferences which includes the implementation and develop of Spectrum Management methods by reflecting the decisions resulting from the WSE. Especially with the emergence of new technologies, such as the IMT2020 and the Internet of Things.

Also assistance to countries, particularly developing ones in the development of spectrum monitoring techniques. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you Nigeria. Next is document 20A19 from CTEL. And I invite United States to present this document.

>> UNITED STATES: Thank you Mr. Chairman and good afternoon, colleagues. It's my pleasure to introduce this interAmerican proposal on behalf of the CTEL Member States.

We see not only within the interests in this particular resolution, but in several other discussions around this conference, the extreme interest in Spectrum Management assistance to Developing Countries, and we're quite heartened to see that there is similarity in a couple of principles. No. 1, it is an important subject for study. No. 2, the technical expertise for driving it work is clearly established within the ITU, within the radio communications sector.

The development sector is responsible primarily for, in this context, capacity-building.

So the purpose and the interest of the revisions introduced, proposed by this IAP focus on clarifying and distinguishing the roles more clearly between the two sectors.

The approach to achieve this is to remove any specific report being developed by the development sector, as in a similar report being published on Spectrum Management, material coming from the radio communications sector.

But that does not mean that the development sector does not have a role. We do emphasize through our proposal that it still has an involvement in compiling case studies, collecting best practices and conveying the needs of Developing Countries to the radio communications sector for inclusion in the report on the subject matter.

We believe, Mr. Chairman that the activities there will greatly accelerate the dissemination of information.

One other aspect of this proposal is to ask for additional reporting, specifically on the resources that have been provided to assist Developing Countries in participation within the

discussions within the R sector. And there are many mechanisms existing today that would make that possible. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much, United States. We go now to the next document. ACP22A4 from Asia-Pacific. And I invite Vietnam as the focal point for Asia-Pacific to present this document. Vietnam, you have the floor.

>> Vietnam: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Spectrum Management is a crucial activity to all country. This subject is nearly under the mandates of I2R. Important of Spectrum Management. The involvement of all ITU sector could benefit ITU member states. Vietnam speaking on behalf of ABT to proposal of Resolution 9, the document 22A4. The proposal of ADT includes a number of modification to (Inaudible) the needs of Developing Countries on Spectrum Management. That's being covered Developing Countries (Inaudible) the interinfluence, with the national spectrum allocation. And the interface caused by (Inaudible) radio frequency.

And the need of citizen to prepare appropriate spectrum policy to accommodate the governance of IoT and people for WIC.

The proposal role of I2D on activity on Spectrum Management. Especially the Spectrum Management training program to enhance the human capacity of Spectrum Management.

And we also (Inaudible) the training and case study on innovative way of -- that group benefit Developing Countries. We look forward the continuation of global between I2R and I2D to provide the assistance to member state of Spectrum Management. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Vietnam. Next is Document 24A3 by -- I invite France to present this document as the focal point for Europe. You have the floor, sir.

>> FRANCE: Thank you very much, Chair. I have the honor of presenting to you on behalf of Europe the joint contribution on revising Resolution 9. These proposals are being inspired by work over the last four years. And also some problems that appeared in the adoption of the final report.

With this in mind, proposals to revise Resolution 9 seek firstly, to ensure that case studies and specific needs of national organizations who deal with Spectrum Management in Developing Countries, be brought directly to the attention of Study Group in the relevant area of ITU-R. Secondly, these proposals seek to encourage, foster the organization of workshops or seminars to present and explain the output of ITR study groups, in particular, Study Group 1. Instead of writing report during the study period. Thirdly, finally, continuing to gather national, practical case studies from different countries and to put them rapidly entrepreneur the ITU-D website and then referring to the existing UTR documents in this area.

In our proposal, we also propose to discontinue the production of specific reports on this, given few contributions are submitted on Resolution 9. And there's not much follow-up equally. So there's a slight different proposal from other region's proposals. It's a good starting point for what we hope are constructive discussion as we define the more guidelines in Resolution 9 which will in our view be more useful for Developing Countries. Chair, expected outcomes are the following. Ensuring the training of Developing Countries and providing assistance to them on issues of their interest and adapt it to their national contexts and needs, in terms of Spectrum Management. And secondly, organizing practical workshops or seminars to exchange and bring specific and rapid advances to the questions or difficulties that may arise. Thank you, very much, chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, France. Next is Document 21A4. By the Arab Group. And I invite Egypt to present this on behalf of the Arab Group. You have the floor, sir.

>> Egypt: Thank you, Chair. In terms of Resolution 9 on participation of countries, particularly Developing Countries, in Spectrum Management.

We would like first of all to recall the importance and need for the cooperation that we've experienced in recent years between the ITU R and the ITU-D as this has allowed us to submit a report to this conference and also to organize other activities. We would also like to recall the need to pursue this type of collaboration between the D sector and the R sector in upcoming years.

Bearing in mind of course, the professionalism and the level of expertise in each sector, independently.

The radio sector has already carried out both case studies that were very technical. And they have a lot of experts working there that study various issues on radio. Moreover, the development sector is up to speed of Developing Countries' needs.

And they have case studies also under their belt and have also implemented various programs and activities to assist Developing Countries. Particularly on Spectrum Management activities. We simply need to find the ideal formula which will allow us to benefit from the expertise of both sectors. Therefore the Arab Group, plans on submitting a report -- prepare a report over the next study period to bring up the various challenges faced by Member States in terms of Spectrum Management and to take into consideration the outcomes of work in the radio sector.

For example, this report could contain two parts. Firstly, looking at the technical content, which is a very specialized area on expertise available within the R sector. And the second chapter to focus on case studies, which have been brought together by the development sector.

This would allow us to strengthen synergies between the two sectors.

Then together they could draft one single report. Moreover we would recall that it is important to study some study questions over the next study period and principles and guidelines linked to the short-range devices. And we also propose to hold various activities on capacity-building to assist Member States. Particularly Developing Countries, to address the various challenges before them.

We also encourage programs and meetings for eManagement of spectrum such as the SMMSS program.

This program should be available in all official languages of the ITU. Chair, these are the issues we wanted to see taken into consideration. We also have NX1, which quotes some of the issues that we should certainly take into account in the next study period. Thank you very much, chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much, Egypt for presenting this document. Next we'll go to document 23A6 from RCC.

And I invite focal point from RCC to present this. It's Russian Federation. You have the floor, sir.

>> RUSSIA: Thank you very much, Chair. On behalf of the RCC, present our proposal on Resolution 9. Resolution 9 is a resolution that has a long history. It was approved for the first time in 1998. And so this resolution is almost 20 years old. Thanks to this resolution, assistance has been provided to Developing Countries to create national systems for Spectrum Management.

National tables for allocation of frequency bands, national registers for frequency bands also and a huge amount of work undertaken for training staff in Developing Countries. And disseminating information on the latest studies that were received in the radio sector.

Thanks to this resolution, Developing Countries and developed countries alike, currently do not have such a divide on Spectrum Management as was the case 20 years ago.

We can see that Developing Countries now are interested in issues of the Internet of Things, IMT2020, and the latest technologies which are being discussed and on which there aren't yet specific recommendations in the radio sector.

This is a new aspect that we took on board when we prepared our proposal. Our proposal covers with the idea of increasing the effectiveness of existing work under the bureau from radio and the development bureau, and also Study Groups in the radio sector and the development sector.

To achieve the main goal of this resolution, which is clear from its title. Which says, participation of countries, particularly Developing Countries in Spectrum Management.

In our proposal, we have included the following main ideas. Firstly, avoid duplication of activity of Study Groups in the ITU-R sector and the ITU-D sector.

In terms of studies on Spectrum Management. Secondly, undertake further financial and organizational measures to ensure that representatives of Developing Countries are able to participate in the work of the radio sector.

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