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>> CHAIR: Good evening. We will now begin the meeting. Please take your seats. Interpreters, are you ready?

>> Yes, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much. We will begin with item 9 on the agenda, and I would like to ask the Chairs of Committee 4 and 2 to present their reports, if relevant persons are in the room. We will begin with the Chair of Committee 4. Is the Chair of Committee 2 in the room, so that she can introduce the document doc/85. Please go ahead.

>> Thank you, Chair, for giving me the floor. I would like to present the report of the Committee 2, the Chairman of the Committee 2 to the plenary. Chair, I will start by presenting the item budget control Committee. The document is 85, that is published. The budget control Committee Chair held two meetings during their 2017 World Telecommunication Conference, and the Chairmanship of Mrs. Helena Fernandes from Mozambique assisted by the Vice-Chairs, Mr. Santiago Reyes from Canada, Mr. Facal from Tunisia, Mr. Nagaya from Japan, and Mr. Jafarov from Azerbaijan and Mr. Jonsson from Sweden.

Considering the issues raised in terms of reference, Chair, the agenda of the Committee took meetings can be found in documents ADM 9 revision 1 and ADM 28. The terms of reference

of the Budget Control Committee are to determine the organisation and facilities available to delegates, to exam and approve the accounts for expenses incurred throughout the duration of the conference, to present a report to the plenary meeting of the estimated total expenses of the conference together with an estimate of the cost involved in implementing his decisions.

Chair, in number 2 host country agreed between the Argentine Republic and international conference union document 17, the Committee expressed the view that the organisation and the arrangements made by the Argentina Republic had been entirely satisfactory.

The value control Committee took note of the agreement and expresses appreciation to the Argentine republic and to the staff for the facilities provided in the conference. In number 2 of the reports, Chair, financial responsibilities of the documents can be found on document 50 and 51. The attention of the Committee was drawn to number 142 of the article 22 of the constitution of the International Telecommunication Union to numbers 408 and 489 of the article 34 of the convention of the International Telecommunication Union, and the resolution 72. The Chairman of Committee 2 was addressed to all Committees, all the Chairmen of the Committee to provide as soon as possible all indications and informations concerning the decisions, resolutions or any other conclusions of the conference that may have financial implications on the expenses in this conference.

This document is referred in document 51 as I said. The Committee 2 decided to present the document 51 to the plenary sessions. In number 4, Chair, budget and expenses of the 2017 World Telecommunication Development Conference, documents 19 and 15, budget of the conference for the biennium 2016-2017 approved by the Council at its 2015 session resolution 1375 amounts two million Swiss francs 184,000 of expenses in document, costs reflect document 14.

Annex H sets out the projected financial statements of the World Telecommunication Development Conference as at 16 October, 2017. The projected expenses until the end of this conference is amount of Swiss francs two million 22,000 leaving remaining positive balance of 162,000 Swiss francs.

In number 5, contributions to the framed expenses of the document of the conference, document 15, the Committee took note of the amount of 6 million Swiss francs, 53,482,000, that is international and regional organisations are required to pay for the deferring of the expenses of the conference, document 15. As at 18 October 2017, one international organisation that must share in the deferring the expenses of the conference was reduced.

In number 6 Chair, financial implication of the decisions or resolutions of the conference WTDC 17, the document is 56. The Chairman of the Committee 2 received a note from all, from Chairmen of the Committee 3, concerning the regional initiatives. ITU's Secretariat provided estimation of the resources needed for the regional initiatives.

Chair, yesterday the Committee 2 had the last meeting/in this meeting, there are some concerns that have been raised. After the meeting, explanations were provided concerning the justification of the amount needed to implement this regional initiatives.

I invite all delegates here represented to see the annex B of this report. The table below provides the higher level summary of the resource requirements by regional to be used as seed funding. The amount that is required for this initiatives for the six regions, it is a total amount of 350 million francs Swiss, that is divided for four years, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021. The region is required 5 million and per initiative it's 250,000 Swiss francs required.

The amount the year for the six regions it is 7 million francs Swiss, 7 million francs Swiss, 500,000. That makes a total amount of 7 -- of 1 million 350 per region and per year.

Reference is made to the document 16 and 51 financial responsibility of the conference, which draws the attention of the conference to the pertinent provision of the constitution regarding the possible financial implications of the decisions taken by the conference.

Chair, the resources requirement will result in expenses in excess of the financial limits laid down by the Plenipotentiary 14 for the financial plan 2020 -- 2016-2019. In regard to this, the Chairman of the Committee 2 reminded the delegates that all the decisions called for in the above resolutions will be undertaken subject to the availability of the financial resources.

It was noted that the biennium budget of the union 2018-2019 has been approved by the Council 2017. Therefore, in conformity with the paragraph 73 of the article 4 of the convention, only the Council has authority to review and approve the budget.

In number 7 the plenary meeting is requested to consider and approve this report, which will be done before to the Secretary-General, together with the comments and if required, the minutes, of the plenary meeting for submissions to the Council at its 2018 session.

Before I end, Chair, I will need to take this opportunity to thank the Vice-Chairs of this Committee, the Secretariat, Mr. Alassane Ba for their support during the conference. It was

a great experience. Having said that, thank you and I submit the document.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Madame Chair. Are there any comments on this detailed report which has been presented? Ghana, you have the floor.

>> GHANA: Thank you, Chair. Chairman, as Ghana has reviewed this report in its entirety and as presented by the Chairperson, we want to thank her, Mrs. Helena Fernandes of Mozambique and Vice Persons for this Committee for the good work done. We acknowledge that the projected balance will be around 162,000 Swiss francs, which we find very impressive that in the conference we are able to achieve such a positive balance.

More impressive is the work that is done by the BDT management on explanations to how the cost of the original initiatives for which they are seeking seed funding, it is good to note that we have taken of these decisions as we even try to approach a resolution towards connecting the next billion. Chairman, at this point, I will encourage this conference to approve this report. Thank you very much, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, sir. Are there any further comments? Seeing none, we take note of the document and we are very grateful for the work of the Chair of Committee 2. Thank you very much. We take note of the document.

(applause).

I would now like to give the floor to the Chair of Committee 4 to introduce their report. You have the floor.

>> Thank you, Mr. Chair. I have the pleasure to present this report in document 84. This document 84 looks into the development conducted during the four sessions of our Committee. You can look into all the decisions that we took within our Committee. We have incorporated all those decisions and we have taken them during the four working sessions that we held.

During the plenary, we have submitted all resolutions and decisions taken as we did for this resolution 21 and a new resolution that is about the quality and the use of languages. As well as resolution 5 and resolution 81, we have sent the other resolutions, 1.2 and 1.13, 31.2139. At the end of my brief report, Mr. Chairman, I would like to thank all the delegates that have participated in the proceedings of the fourth Committee. I would like to thank as well the ad hoc groups that have been established under our Committee.

I would like to thank the Vice Chairman of Committee 4 for all the efforts they have made. The head of the ad hoc group Mrs. Roxanne from the United States, as well as the representative from Bahrain. I thank the Secretariats of the Committee represented by engineer Brahim Al Hadad. I thank as well the Secretariat team. I would like to thank them for the

effort they have made in ensuring access of the work of the fourth Committee. I thank you, Mr. Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you to the Chair of Committee 4. Are there any comments on the report that he has presented? Seeing none, apology, the Russian Federation has asked for the floor. You have the floor.

>> RUSSIAN FEDERATION: Thank you, Chairman. We would like to thank the leadership of Committee 4 and also all those who participated in this very constructive and difficult effort. We would also like to get an answer to a question which we asked, will TDAG in line with the approved resolution appoint two experts representing each Study Group in ITU-T in the joint Committee on the vocabulary. We consider that following the election of the Vice-Chair persons yesterday, we should now focus on the work of the Study Groups. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, sir. Are there any other comments? With regard to the comment from the Russian Federation, we understand that we could address this issue once the resolution has been adopted. I would like to know whether this explanation is sufficient.

>> RUSSIAN FEDERATION: Yes, that is sufficient, thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. There are any other comments? United Arab Emirates, you have the floor.

>> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Good evening, everyone. Mr. Chairman, I have asked for the floor in order to extend my thanks to Mr. Majed for his Chairmanship of the fourth Committee.

And we are very proud that he is from the Arab region and he has presided over the work of the fourth Committee. We would like to thank him for doing that. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. Are there any other comments? ATDI, you have the floor.

>> ATDI: Thank you, Chairman. Regarding the intervention of Russia, yesterday we indicated that after we adopted the resolution, we can nominate two persons. May I propose them from the list of Vice-Chair of the TDAG, Study Group 1 and Study Group 2, find two names, so it might be from ATDI but I assume that Member States may provide those two names. Thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you to the representative of ATDI. We will come back to this item, when we are dealing with the corresponding resolution, and then we will address that issue.

Are there any other comments on the report of the Chair of Committee 4? Seeing no further requests for the floor, I would personally and on behalf of everybody like to thank the Chair of Committee 4, Mr. Arama and I ask for a round of applause, thank you very much.

(applause).

Moving on to the next item on the agenda, this is item 11, and we will review the 8th series of texts submitted to the plenary by the Editorial Committee. I would like to ask the Chair of Committee 5 to introduce document doc/90. You have the floor.

>> Thank you, Chairman. I have the honor of presenting the 8th series of the document, reference 90 from Committee 4, number 79 on the revision of resolution 1, drawing your attention to the fact that on page 11, 6.2 on 38 also in paragraph we will see brackets which remain at those points. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Madame Chair. We will proceed on the basis of the clarification made by the Chair of Committee 5 with regard to the existence of these square brackets. We will proceed with our review of the document page by page. In the English version of the document, page 1, resolution 1, Buenos Aires. Are there any comments on page 1? Page 2? Page 3? Page 4? Page 5? Page 6? Page 7? Page 8? Page 9? Page 10? Page 11? You have the floor.

>> Thank you very much, Chairman. Now if I remember correctly, could we go back to 4.3, paragraph 4.3? This is a question which was already raised in Committee 3. My apologies for raising this issue once again here at the plenary. This is due to the small size of our delegation. We were unable to participate in the work of the ad hoc group on resolution 1. Today this question was also voiced at the first meeting of the advisory group on telecommunications development.

Here what is meant is the last sentence of paragraph 4.3. It's not clear here how exactly the Vice-Chairmen should render assistance in the compilation of reports on regional initiatives. At today's meeting, all present agreed that Vice-Chairmen are involved in a broader range of issues, including regional initiatives.

So this begets the question, should we highlight regional initiatives and separate them by emphasizing them in this way. Therefore, we propose suppressing this sentence for the simple reason that the Vice-Chairmen are involved in many different questions, including regional initiatives. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. United States, you have the floor.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I can fully appreciate that people have not been able to participate in all the meetings that have been going on here, so I'm hoping that the explanation that I will give you will help people to understand what is meant by the text in section 4.3.

First of all, it comes from a regional proposal. So it was

not individual proposal, and it's hard to read there, but it references section 11 paragraph 38. One thing that you will find about the rules is that they cross-reference a lot of different sections, because they are sections that talk about the duties of Vice-Chairs and Chairmen. They talk about TDAG, the Study Groups, and they are things related to publication that apply to all of them, deadlines. So there is a lot of cross-references.

But if we could go to section 11, paragraph 38, this is the paragraph that describes what is referenced in this section. I can read it for you since we don't seem to be able to move that screen. In section 11, we are talking about, refers to the duties of TDAG. In paragraph 38 of that section, it reads as follows: In addition to other duties, the TDAG Vice-Chairmen in collaboration with the regional and area offices and with membership in their region and in consultation with the ITU-D Study Group Vice-Chairmen, will report on progress of the regional initiatives, and prepare text for the annual TDAG report to be considered by membership and by WTDC.

I hope I read that slowly enough. So the idea that was put forth by the region, and a number of contributors felt that Vice-Chairmen needed to have very specific duties. That is not the only one of them. If you look at section 4, it talks about the various duties that have been proposed for Vice-Chairmen.

But one region in particular was very interested in the progress and development of the regional initiatives. So this is not an attempt for TDAG Vice-Chairmen to manage these projects or to oversee them. But the idea is that they would represent their regions by being somewhat in touch with the regional offices and with members in their region, so that the progress and the various things that are going on relative to the regional initiative would be reported on to the members, because what is happening with projects is very interesting to members. They would like to hear about it from different perspectives.

Those TDAG Vice-Chairmen would talk with the regional, the area, regional and area offices. They would talk with other members, and there could be this sort of holistic feedback given on how these things are progressing.

That is the idea. The paragraph as I said, I'm not sure if we can't move this one or not so that people can see it, but in section 11 which details all of the duties of the Vice-Chairs, this is what it says. So it's in addition to other duties, it's not the only one. It's not something that we expect to take over the duties of the Vice-Chairs, but some connection to the regional projects is what I believe this region was trying to accomplish. It's not for the Vice-Chairs to manage the

projects, or in any way, there is not a hierarchy being created.

It is an opportunity for the TDAG Vice-Chairmen and the Study Group Vice-Chairmen in consultation to be connected to the projects that are happening in their regions. Again, they would probably do a paragraph each about their, whatever it is that they would like to share about that. That would be placed in the report that gets sent to TDAG for the benefit of membership.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much for your detailed explanation. Before I continue giving the floor to speakers, I would like to ask the Chair of Committee 4 whether he would like to make any additional clarifications. I think that the issue has been sufficiently clarified, but I would like to hear the view of the Chair of Committee 4.

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I believe Miss Roxanne, the Chair of the ad hoc group was very clear in her intervention, explaining the rationales behind the paragraph 38. During the discussion in com 4, there was a request to align the text to ensure that the reporting will be done in collaboration with the regional offices and area offices, along with the membership.

Now this has been taken care of in paragraph 38 on section 11. With that, I hope the meeting will accept this paragraph. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Chairman. I propose to the plenary that we accept the explanations, and obviously when we come to section 11, paragraph 38, we can revisit the matter if necessary. I think that it has been clarified, but there are reports and these go into more detail on the functions of TDAG and the regional groups.

United States, would you like the floor?

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I'm sorry to take the floor again. I wanted to alert you to the fact that this is not the correct version of the document. We need to get the correct version of the document. So I don't know that, I'm not sure what is going on, but maybe we can come back to this one. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: I would like to ask the Chair of Committee 4 if he can clarify the matter with regard to this document, whether it is the correct document or not.

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. If we can go down to document, to section 38, I have the hard copy of the report.

Yes, Chairman. Thank you, Chairman. The paragraph under discussion here is in paragraph 39, and not in paragraph 38. That is what I can see, when I look at the paper version of this document. I think that is the source of this confusion.

>> CHAIR: Canada, you have the floor.

>> CANADA: Thank you, Chairman. Briefly, maybe while this situation is being sorted and corrected, we could go to another document, bearing in mind the limited time we have today. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you to the delegate from Canada. I think that there is simply a mistake in the report. Does not paragraph 38, but paragraph 38 -- 39, I will be grateful if the Chair of Committee 4 could clarify that. Thank you.

>> Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Actually the numbering, it becomes, the paragraph becomes 39 after the alignments of the numbers of paragraphs. So it used to be 38, but after the alignments of numbers, it's now 39. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. With this clarification, I would like to continue with the reading of the document. In any case, if when we come to section 11, paragraph 39, there are any issues, we can revisit the issue. Thank you very much.

So we will continue, and I'm going back to page 10. Are there any comments on page 10? United Arab Emirates, you have the floor.

>> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, since there is no alignment on this document with the document that was agreed on, that was received from the Editorial Committee, and since that issue of the reporting by the Vice-Chairmen of TDAG with regards to the regional initiatives, I think that the proposal from Canada is wise, Mr. Chairman, in terms of parking this document for now, and give time for some consultation with regards to the text of the Vice-Chairmen of TDAG to find a way out.

Perhaps once we have the final document and after doing some consultation, reach consensus of the text of the Vice-Chairmanship, accordingly we can look at this document to save time. But we are in your hands, Mr. Chairman. Whatever you will decide, we will follow. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Russian Federation, you have the floor.

>> RUSSIAN FEDERATION: Thank you, Chairman. The Russian Federation supports the Distinguished Delegate from the UAE. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, sir. We will begin with our review of annex 2 of the resolution, which is what comes after the resolution itself, on page 33. Are there any comments on page 33? Page 34, annex 3 to resolution 1, are there any comments here? Page 35? Page 36. Page 37. And on the same page, 37, we have annex 4 to resolution 1. Are there any comments on page 37? Page 38? Here we have some text in square brackets. Are there any comments there? Annex 5 to resolution 1 on page 38. Page 39? There are no comments. The review of the resolution, resolution 1 is still pending with regard to the points that

have been discussed.

Clarification, the square brackets refers to the question number, and I understand that that would be completed subsequently, but I would like to ask the Chair of Committee 4 to clarify us on that.

Yes, you have the floor, sir.

>> Thank you, Chairman. This relates to the outcome of the work of Committee 3, which will be taken into account, and we will update this document once we receive new information from Committee 3. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Chair. I give the floor to Iran.

>> IRAN: Thank you very much. This is Chair of Committee 3. As Chair of Committee 4 distinguished colleague already mentioned, these are related to Study Group questions, not only the question number but we may have slight change in the title of the questions, and I would like to suggest that maybe if we could keep this pending until later that we come to the subject of study questions, that would be maybe more appropriate. Thank you, sir.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Dr. Sharafat. I would like to open the floor now to understand whether, in addition to this pending item of the question number and title and the order of the numbering, are there any other questions or comments on this resolution? If not, we will come back to this, simply to indicate the question number on page 38, and to review the correct numbering of the text, and the efforts made in page 9 if I remember rightly.

Are there any other comments? United States, you have the floor.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I wanted to clarify that we would not need to come back to this what is on the screen, because these are the annexes to the working procedures. So they have examples of, you know, things for people to reference that they may have to use during the course of the study cycle.

This is an example, as it says at the top of the liaison statement, and the brackets that you see there are intended to be in the actual text. For example, it says when you fill out the subject, what you should put there is your request for information, if you have deadlines and so forth.

This is not text that is in dispute. It is the way it's going to show in the actual -- so you won't need to come back to this at the end. That's all I wanted to clarify. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you. Well, let's see what the room agrees, we will have to come back to this text as requested by some delegates. We will have to come back to it. But I wanted to specify and find out whether or not in addition to the numbering

of the text and the reference made to reports in page 9, because this was something that was raised by the committee, Chair of Committee 3, I would like to know whether there is any other issue here.

If not, when we come back to this document we will limit our review to these items. I understand therefore that we do agree, and we will come back to our review when we have the correctly numbered text.

While we wait that text, for the resolution that we have reviewed, and while we also await the 7th series of texts submitted by the Editorial Committee, which we still do not have available to us, I would like to return to item 6 on the agenda, which is the report on the revision of resolution 18, on special technical assistance to Palestine. I would like to give the floor to the Secretary-General to address this matter. Secretary-General, you have the floor.

>> Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think that this document, resolution 18 is a very important resolution covering our intentions to support Palestine with ICT development. This resolution was last agreed at our WTDC 14. I would like to have discussions, but I'm pleased to report to you that before the conference, that before this meeting started, this session started, I was informed by those parties concerned that agreement has been reached, that we will not change the text accepted at the update, the references of the resolution 18, replace with reference to resolutions approved by ITU conferences after WTDC 2014, which means those relevant resolutions approved by PP 14 by WRC-15 and possibly WTSA 2016. Of course, with this agreement we should also modify that date and place of the resolutions, replace Dubai, replace 2014 by 2017. So I'm pleased to see that the good spirit demonstrated by all the parties concerned over the last three years after this resolution was approved, for the benefit of ICT to support our Palestine people there was continued, and parties concerned including ITU are committed to implement the spirit of this resolution with those awards put in place.

Mr. Chairman, this is what I'd like to share with you, so that we may not need to have open debate again. And this is compromise I was advised by parties concerned. Of course, I'd like to assure you and to assure the conference that ITU will commit engagement with this resolution, and I'm very pleased also to note that those parties concerned also promised to commit themselves for implementing this resolution.

Mr. Chairman, this is what I'd like to share with you. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much, Secretary-General. I welcome the suggestions and good will of the parties who have

been involved in these conversations. I would like to know whether or not we have an agreement on what has been expressed by the Secretary-General with regard to this item of the agenda. Germany, you have the floor.

>> GERMANY: Yes, of course we agree. And we thank wholeheartedly all parties that contributed to this. My only question would be, this document with the amendments, that means the updates before we leave the conference, thank you.

>> CHAIR: South Africa, you have the floor.

>> SOUTH AFRICA: Thank you very much, honorable Chairperson. We appreciate the efforts that have been done, but we have a request for clarity. Are we saying that in spite of the submissions that have been made, this call remains, we are not clear from the Secretary-General as to because we would like something done, and we want to clarify. Are you saying that the core remains in terms of the resolutions of the last WTDC, or is there something more this conference can contribute towards the proposal from the people of Palestine. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Secretary-General, I would kindly ask you if you could clarify this. Thank you.

>> I think that if the meeting requested, then we can ask the parties concerned to prepare the text to show you where we replace the reference by the latest reference to those resolutions I just mentioned. The most important thing is, in my opinion, that the resolution gave us guidance to support Palestine people with ICT development. In fact, after the resolution approved, we had further discussion at our Plenipotentiary Conference 2014, and then it was reconfirmed in 2015. We know that there are some project discussed by Palestine and Israel, agreed to have for example services introduced and also we have some other agreement. That agreement was reached at our WRC-15.

Since then, we put some project in action, and I'm pleased to note that there are a lot of progress, although sometimes it may not be as fast as we would like to see. But anyhow, the spirit of this cooperation from all parties concerned still remains, and as the project still continues to be developed, so I'm very pleased to tell you that before the meeting started all parties committed to continue their efforts. I'm very confident that those projects will be continued, and that the text of resolution 18, the main body of the text seems to be not necessary to be modified, except the reference of this resolution be requested by those latest set of resolutions approved by PP 14, by WRC-15 and WTSA 16. I don't know whether it's any latest resolution be approved by WTDC 17, if there is any that could be also included. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Secretary-General, for your

clarifications and for your additional suggestions.

Are there any further comments in the room? I would like to continue and follow the advice of the Secretary-General, and I would ask all parties involved in the work with the Secretary-General to present us with the specific text if possible during this plenary meeting, so that we can examine it and adopt it.

Would anybody like to volunteer to do that? Well, then I would ask those holding the consultations, the Vice-Chair for Arab States for this conference to please bring forward a text in accordance with that suggested by the Secretary-General.

What I understood from the detailed explanation of the Secretary-General, we are maintaining the text of the resolution, but updating the references to the various resolutions that have been adopted at previous events. United Arab Emirates, you have the floor.

>> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: Thank you, Chairman. It is our pleasure to introduce this document as Vice-Chair of this conference and as a party involved in these consultations. I will prepare a document and submit it to all parties concerned by this document, and this document will then be sent to the Secretariat, so that it can be discussed as soon as possible during the plenary meeting. Thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much, Vice-Chair.

While we await the updated text of resolution 1, I would like us to move on to item 12 on our agenda, which is the 7th series of texts submitted by the Editorial Committee to the plenary. I give the floor to the Chair of Committee 5.

>> Chairman, could you give me one minute, so that I can find the document which has just been published? Thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Yes, Madame Chair, of course we will wait for one minute. Yes, Madame Chair.

>> Thank you, Chairman. It is my pleasure to introduce the first reading of the 7th series of texts submitted by the Editorial Committee. It's under document number 86, and it comes from Committee 4 and document number 81R1 relating to the revisions of resolution 2 and resolution 59. Thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Chair of Committee 5, I would like to ask you if you could clarify whether there are any square brackets remaining in these documents.

>> Yes, Chairman. There are square brackets in this document. I apologize. As we have only just seen published version of the text, I can confirm there are square brackets on pages 3, 4, on pages 3 and 4. Thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Madame Chair. With this, we will begin our review of the document. Page 1, resolution 2, rev

Buenos Aires 2017. Page 1, are there any comments here? Page 2, are there any comments? On the same page 2, we have annex 1 to resolution 2, rev Buenos Aires 2017. Are there any comments on page 2, with regards to annex 1? Page 3?

Oman, you have the floor.

>> Yes, there are points of dispute as regards question 3.1, we have an agreement, which we achieved at Committee 3. The document DT22, in that temporary document 22 we reached an agreement on the transfer of OTTs from Study Group 1 to 2, and that agreement has not been taken into account. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Delegate, please could you specify which page you are referring to?

>> Thank you, Chairman. It's page 4, question 3/1, the title of that question.

>> CHAIR: Apologies. We have had only just started. We haven't get come to actually page 4. Iran, you have the floor.

>> IRAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Yes, as the Distinguished Delegate from Oman mentioned we do have some issues pending still, on the title of the questions, and as I indicated earlier, my suggestion that it would be better if you could leave this in square brackets, the title of question 3 as well, because we are facing some difficulties in question 4.1 and we are hoping that we would be able to remove square brackets in the substance of question 4.1 if we could revisit the title of question 3.1.

So with this, to save further discussion and time, I suggest that we keep questions 3 and 4, 3.1 and 4.1 in square brackets, and the same for question 3.2 on the next page. Also question 6.2, because there are some, which was decided by Committee 4, 6.2 needed to be merged. We do have a consolidated text now. And the title needs to be changed. So I suggest that maybe it would be better if we could revisit annex 2 to resolution 2 at a later time, either tonight or maybe tomorrow morning. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Jordan, you have the floor.

>> JORDAN: Thank you, Chairman. I think that we are talking about a procedure with respect to how we are handling the documents submitted to the plenary for adoption. That is to say, are we adopting the resolution, or individual pages of the document? This is not clear.

We are submitting documents. Therefore, it is necessary for decisions to be taken. If the goal is to reopen the discussion on brackets, that is one thing. If we should not discuss this in plenary then why are we submitting this to the plenary? We have brackets before us. Therefore, we need a decision to adopt the resolution, we are handling one whole

document in its entirety. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, sir. I would like to ask the plenary whether there are any comments on the text of the resolution that is being put forward. I'm going back to the beginning on resolution 2. Are there any comments, not on the annexes but simply on the text of the resolution? I see no comments. I would also like to ask whether there are any comments on annex 1 of resolution 2. Well, as we are receiving this document during our debates, I understand that the ongoing discussions relate to annex 2. I suggest that we leave aside annex 2 for a minute, so that we can move on to annex 3, which is contained in page 6 of the document that I have.

I understand that there are different versions with different page numbering, but I would like to move forward to annex 3 and leaving aside annex 2 for now. Are there any comments on annex 3 to resolution 2?

I see no comments.

>> The floor, Chair?

>> No, sir.

>> CHAIR: Very well. We will come back to annex 2, but I want to leave it clarified that the text of the, of annex 1 to resolution 2 and annex 3 to resolution 2 do not present, does not present any type of objections, and then we will come back to the text of annex 2 later.

I'd like to move on with resolution 59, revision Buenos Aires 2017.

I understand that you have this resolution on page 6. Resolution 59, revision Buenos Aires. It's on pages 6 or 7, depending the version that you are looking at. Are there any comments? Dominican Republic, you have the floor.

>> DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: Thank you, Chairman. If you will allow me this doesn't relate to resolution 59, reading annex 3, I don't know whether I'm mistaken, if so, I apologize, but I see that in Study Group 2 in the Vice-Chairs, we have the name of the representative of the Dominican Republic, Miss Katrina Naut, and I understand she is going to be a Vice-Chair of TDAG.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Madam. I will ask the Secretariat about that.

Thank you very much for raising this mistake, Madam. Indeed Miss Katrina is a Vice-Chair of TDAG, and not a Vice-Chair of Study Group 2. Therefore, her name should be listed as a Vice-Chair of TDAG. We will make the corresponding change. Thank you very much again for your clarification. I would like us to come back to resolution 59, please.

Are there any comments on page 7? Page 8? Are there any comments here? Page 9? That brings us to the end of our review of resolution 59. If there are no comments or objections, the

resolution is adopted.

Thank you very much for waiting. As requested by the Chair of Committee 3 with regard to resolution 2, annex 2 of resolution 2, I would be grateful if he could present a proposal on the text that we have in square brackets, after the coffee break. If this is possible, with those corrections and agreements, we will then be able to adopt resolution 2, and the three annexes thereto.

Chair of Committee 3, can you assume this task and bring us a proposal after the coffee break?

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Yes, I will provide you with proposals after coffee break. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much to the Chair of Committee 3. We will now just wait a minute for the updated version of the text of resolution 1.

We are resuming the meeting. With regard to resolution 1 and the updated text, I'll give the floor to the Secretariat so that they can share comments on it.

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. After analysis of the document that is published, we really, under item 4.3, instead of section 11, paragraph 39, and not 38, so exactly that what the Chairman of Committee 4 said, we are going to align this. It was a typo. But the correct is 43, it should say section 11, paragraph 39 and not 38. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much. Are there any comments? Seeing none, I will now proceed to the 10th series of texts presented by the Editorial Committee to the plenary. I give the floor to the Chair of the Editorial Committee.

>> Thank you, Chairman. I have the honor of drawing your attention to the series of texts submitted to the plenary without being considered by the Editorial Committee. The texts were aligned, will be aligned after the conference during the editorial meeting. Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Madame Chair. We will begin with our review of this document 96-E, which contains two resolutions coming, resolutions 8 and resolution 35.

We will begin with the revision to resolution 8, page 1.

Are there any comments on page 1 of resolution 8? Are there any comments on page 2? Any comments on page 3? Germany, you have the floor.

>> GERMANY: It may be an issue of the translation from Spanish into English and probably I should switch to the floor. I understood you are going to look at the 10th series of documents, at now, and I have a document number in front of me which is 94. And you are on document 97. So I would ask kindly that before you start, you clearly identify the document number. If it is not possible to display, if it is possible to display

this would help us a lot to follow on our own computer because sometimes it's very quickly the following on the screen. Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: Argentina, you have the floor.

>> ARGENTINA: Thank you, Chairman. I wanted to clarify that I have published two 10th series, one is 94 of com 3 and the other one is 97 of com 5. We are working on 97 of com 5. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you to the delegate. Indeed, we are working on document 97-E. Have you, the delegate from Germany, been able to locate the document that we are working on so that we are all working on the same one? You have the floor.

>> Thank you very much.

>> CHAIR: We will come back to our review of the document then. Resolution 8, we had reviewed page 1, there were no comments there. Page 2, no comments. We are on page 3. Are there any comments? Page 4? Page 5? Are there any remarks or comments or any objections to the text? Seeing none, the text of resolution 8, revision Buenos Aires 2017 is adopted. The rest of this document on page 5 is a suppression, suppression 2 of resolution 35. Are there any comments? Seeing none, it is adopted.

I'd like now to turn back to document 90, where we were looking at resolution 1. I would like to ask the plenary that we continue with our work, with the exception of the correction to the numbering of the different items and the error that was raised. I would ask that we turn back to page 9 of the resolution, so that we can continue with our reading of the document. It's clear already that there has been a numbering error that has been corrected. Likewise, we have had clarification that none of the TDAG and Study Group responsibilities have been limited, but with the clarification, it is clarified that such limitations do not exist. I would like us to continue, please, with our reading, beginning on page 9, where our discussions were focused.

It relates specifically to paragraph 4.3. Are there any comments on page 10? Page 11? Page 12? Page 13? Page 14? Page 15. Page 16? Page 17?

Page 18? Page 19? Page 20? Page 21. Page 22.

Page 23. Page 24. Page 25. Page 26. Page 27. Page 28. Page 29. Page 30. Page 31. We have no comments on the resolution. Yes, Kazakhstan, you have the floor.

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. For me personally, I can't speak on behalf of the other Vice-Chairmen of TDAG, there is some clarity, I believe with respect to the following. We must consider the following factors, in addition to other duties. Vicechairmen in collaboration with the regional offices

and membership in consultation with the ITU-T Study Group Vice-Chairmen we will report.

It is not clear by what mechanism this report will be formed, and who will be responsible for that report. It is a report, it will be formed by all of them or regional representatives of ITU, as was the past practice? Over the past four years looking at regional initiatives, regional representatives of ITU were responsible for those initiatives. They compiled reports and they presented them at meetings of TDAG. This is a process which I believe was an established practice. So it's not clear what will be the mechanism for forming, compiling and presenting these reports.

Also, whether in consultations with the Vice-Chairmen of Study Groups at ITU-D, the thing is we don't meet with them, that is to say their meetings take place prior to TDAG meetings. And they are not present at TDAG meetings, and so if questions arise, then what we are left with is a situation where we don't have any contact with them to clarify any questions that may arise. I would like to ask Roxanne or maybe somebody else could clarify my question.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much. I give the floor to the Chair of Committee 4. Ah, they no longer request the floor. Ah, I will now give the floor to the Chair of Committee 4.

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. In the interest of time, I have been also approached by regions with respect to this paragraph. I will say that I will carry a consultation and I will get back with maybe some amendments to this paragraph. I believe we will take more time than necessary during this session, so maybe it's better to be carried out in a consultation. I will have that consultation with the regions, and come back with you with the consensus proposal. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much, Chairman. United States, you have the floor.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Sorry, Mr. Chairman, I had tried to cut the button off before it would -- I wanted to clarify that these reports do not replace the reports from the regional area offices. They are just a different perspective. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much, Madam. Jordan, you have the floor.

>> JORDAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I'm supporting that we do some consultation in the text, but even after Miss Roxanna has tried to explain the goal and the idea behind this text, from a procedural mechanism, this cannot be practically implemented. It is important that we write something that will be implemented. So it's not easy to do a

consultation with all the ITU Study Group Vice-Chairmen. It is not easy to collect information from all the membership involved in the implementation of the initiatives. And to have an access on the information that the regional office and they are implementing is not a easy exercise. It is not a issue of how to do the report or how to compile the report.

The exercise itself needs to have some rules and procedures agreed between all the parties involved, in order to have an effective output of these reports. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, sir. I would therefore ask the Chair of Committee 4 to carry out consultations simply on one paragraph of the resolution which presents problem. This is paragraph 39, in addition to the correction obviously that we mentioned of the review mentioned in page 9. But we only have problems with one paragraph of this resolution, and on that basis I would like to see a proposal on this after the coffee break. Would that be possible, Chair of Committee 4?

>> Okay, I will do so, yes, Mr. Chairman. I will do so after the coffee break.

>> CHAIR: Thank you to the Chair of Committee 4. I would like us to continue with our review of the document beginning on page 31 of the document, annex 1 to resolution 1. Are there any comments on the text on page 31, annex 1 to resolution 1? Page 32? I see no objections. This annex is therefore adopted. That is annex 1 to resolution 1. We will move on to annex 2 on page 33. Annex 2 to resolution 1 on page 33, are there any comments here? Seeing none, annex 2 to resolution 1 is adopted.

United States, you have the floor.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. There is missing text from annex 2, there is a box that is supposed to be there, that was added. So we need to, yeah -- there is just a text box that should be there about lessons learned or success stories, that maybe it was eliminated inadvertently. But that should be there. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Could you please clarify? Are you referring to annex 2?

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Yes, Mr. Chairman, annex 2. There is a missing text box. This is the template that contributors would use to submit their contributions for the Study Groups. There was an additional box that was added there. It was approved in the ad hoc group, and it's missing from this version.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much.

Chair of Committee 4, do you share the same view as the delegate from the United States with regard to a missing box on, in annex 2? I'd be grateful for your comments.

>> Thank you, Mr. Chairman. With respect to the document that we sent to the plenary, it does not include a box for the lessons learned. However, Miss Roxanne is the Chair of the ad hoc group on resolution 1, and we might double check with the Secretariat, if that missing box was submitted or not to the Secretariat. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you to the Chair of Committee 4. We have asked the Secretariat to check with regard to this box mentioned by the delegate from the United States. While that is ongoing, we will continue on to annex 3 of resolution 1 on page 34.

Are there any comments on annex 3 to resolution 1 on page 34? Page 35. Page 36. Page 37. We have no comments on annex 3 to resolution 1. It is therefore adopted.

We will move on to annex 4 to resolution 1. It's on page 37 of the document. Are there any comments on annex 4 to resolution 1 on page 37? Page 38? ATDI, you have the floor.

>> ATDI: Do we need in the case of the contact person the Fax and the telephone, so all of the resolutions I prefer to find only the E-mail of the contact person, not the telephone nor the Fax, only the E-mail address. I speak about page number 38, the details of the contact. Thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much. Are there any other comments? Is there agreement with regard to the proposal that has been made? Yes, Iran, you have the floor.

>> IRAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. While we understand that E-mail is very popular, but at times and in many instances, the E-mails have difficulties, and it would be difficult to rely exclusively on E-mails. That is why it would be better if we could keep the telephone and Fax number as well. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, sir. I would therefore like to suggest that we keep the current text which includes telephone, Fax and E-mail. Is there agreement on that? With keeping this annex with the current text, I haven't received any other comments. Annex 4 to resolution 1 is therefore adopted.

And we move on to annex 5, which is on page 38 of the document. Annex 5 to resolution 1 on page 38 of the document. Are there any comments here? Page 39, this is the final page of the document. Seeing no comments, annex 5 to resolution 1, revision Buenos Aires 2017 is adopted.

We will now go back to our annex 2 bearing in mind the comment made by the delegate from the United States. And I will ask the Secretariat to update us in this regard.

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Yes, indeed, it was deleted, a small box, and I have here the box that will be included in this section. It was deleted only during the editing. So this is the box with lesson learned, and suggested

best practices, if appropriate. These boxes will be included in this annex, thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you very much to the Secretariat.

I would like to know whether with the inclusion of this box mentioned by the delegate from the United States, we have agreement to adopt annex 2 to resolution 1. I see no comments. Annex 2 to resolution 1 is therefore adopted, with the incorporation of the box presented by the Secretariat. Therefore, with regard to resolution 1, we have adopted annexes 1 to 5. And we simply now need to review paragraph 39 of section 11, which after the coffee break, the Chair of the Committee 4 will present to us. I suggest that we now move on to the next series of texts.

We will now begin our review of the 9th series of texts submitted by the Editorial Committee to the plenary. I would ask the Chair of Committee 5 to introduce her report.

>> Thank you, Chairman. I would like to confirm that this series of texts submitted to the plenary has been submitted without being reviewed by the Editorial Committee. The text will be updated during the Editorial Committee meeting that will be held after the conference. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Madame Chair. We will begin our review of this document 96, the 9th series of texts submitted by the Editorial Committee to the plenary meeting. We will begin our review, page 1, resolution 17, revision Buenos Aires 2017.

Are there any comments on page 1 of resolution 17, revision Buenos Aires 2017. Page 2? Page 3?

Page 4? Page 5? Are there any comments on resolution 17, revision Buenos Aires 2017? I see no comments, nor opposition, and therefore, resolution 17 revision Buenos Aires 2017 is adopted.

We move on to resolution number 46, revision Buenos Aires 2017. It begins on page 5 of the document, the English version. Are there any comments on page 5, resolution 4, revision Buenos Aires 2017? Page 6? Page 7? Page 8? Page 9? Ah, on page 8? Page 8 is the last page of the resolution, resolution 46. Are there any comments or any objections?

Seeing none, resolution 46 rev Buenos Aires 2017 is adopted. And we come to resolution 47, revision Buenos Aires 2017. This begins on page 9 of the English version of the document. Are there any comments on page 9? Are there any comments on page 10? Page 11? I would like to note that on page 11, we do have some square brackets. I would like to ask the Chair of Committee 3 to please clarify with regard to the text in square brackets.

Dr. Sharafat, I will repeat my request. We are looking at resolution 47 on page 11 of the document. We have a square

bracket. I would like to hear your comments on that.

>> Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. The square bracket there is just for the translator to assist them with the translation, and it should not be there for the content, for the substance of this. So it is a minor error that will be corrected by the Secretariat.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Chairman. Seeing no substantive comments on page 11, we will move on to page 12. Page 13. Page 14. Jordan, you have the floor.

>> JORDAN: Thank you. Mr. Chairman, in paragraph 6, and I think that there has been a merging between the 6 and 7s paragraph, correct? Because number 7 is missing. We have in one paragraph 6 and 7. We have to separate the two paragraphs, 6 and 7.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, sir. Yes, here there is a editorial error. In line 4, paragraph 6, we see number 7. We just need to press return. But I understand that this is just a formal editorial error. So, currently as we read paragraph 6, it also contains paragraph 7. Does this satisfy your concern? Sweden, you have the floor.

>> SWEDEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I note that there are probably more errors in this document than the one that we looked at previously. The next error is in paragraph 9, the same error. I would like to take the opportunity to later on before we adopt this document to bring you back to page number 9 for another issue. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you to the delegate from Sweden. Would you like to point to a specific point on page 9, that's the first page of resolution 47. I'd be grateful if you could please point out the relevant issue.

>> SWEDEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm really recalling C, resolution 15, then number D, resolution 37, relation Dubai 2014 of this conference, and then revision 14, revision Buenos Aires of this conference, I assume that there is a need to amend recalling D to make it clear it is not referring to this conference now but to the communication development conference. I have noted in other documents also quite a lot of issues that there is probably need for editorial work to continue. It is not much of substance, but the text between the different paragraphs are not aligned. The language is different and so on. I wanted to note this. I'm not going to raise that type of editorial issues in the other resolutions. But the basic problem of the text coming out from the processing seems they are not aligned. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, sir, thank you for your comments. I would like to remind the plenary that in the previous plenary meeting, we authorized the Editorial Committee to continue

working after the conference to align the texts, and to correct these formal issues which through the hard work and large workload of the conference might escape us. If there are no substantive objections and leaving this in the hands of the Editorial Committee to rely on this text, I will wish to continue with our reading of the resolution.

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