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NOTE BY THE CHAIRMAN

At the request of the Conference, a draft Resolution has been prepared to complement draft Recommendation 2 of the Telecommunication Development Advisory Board (Document 8). The text of both draft Recommendation TDAB-2 as amended by the Plenary and the new draft Resolution are attached for consideration.

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DRAFT RECOMMENDATION TDAB-2 (REVISED)

**FUTURE MEMBERSHIP AND FUNCTIONS OF THE
TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD**

The World Telecommunication Development Conference (Valletta, 1998),

considering

- a) Article 18 of the Convention (Geneva, 1992) concerning the Telecommunication Advisory Board (TDAB);
- b) the work carried out by the Telecommunication Development Advisory Board and the report of its Chairman;
- c) the desirability of broadbased participation of administrations, duly authorized entities and organizations in the TDAB activities;
- d) Resolution 9, WTDC-94;
- e) Recommendation 24 of the ITU-2000 Working Group;
- f) Recommendation 4 of the ITU-D Reflection Group,

having noted

the increased responsibilities given to the Telecommunication Standardization Advisory Group by the World Telecommunication Standardization Conference and to the Radiocommunication Advisory Group by the Radiocommunication Assembly,

recognizing

- a) that the role of TDAB is similar to that of the advisory groups of the other two sectors;
- b) that the advisory groups of the other two sectors have benefited from having open membership;
- c) that following the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994) the TDAB has benefited from participation of representatives of bilateral cooperation, development aid agencies and multilateral development institutions;
- d) that the Director should continue to be able to invite representatives of such organizations as well as facilitating the effective participation by developing countries,

recommends to the Plenipotentiary Conference 1998

that it amends Convention provision No. 227 in order to convert TDAB into an open advisory group taking into account Resolution PLEN-6.

DRAFT RESOLUTION [PLEN-6]

ENHANCED PARTICIPATION BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

The World Telecommunication Development Conference (Valletta, 1998),

considering

- a) Articles 11 and 14 of the Convention (Geneva, 1992) concerning study groups, and in particular CV159 and CV196;
- b) Article 18 of the Convention (Geneva, 1992) concerning the Telecommunication Advisory Board (TDAB) and in particular CV227;
- c) Resolution 17 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994) on the Advisory Groups of the Radiocommunication and Telecommunication Standardization Sectors;
- d) the desirability of broad-based participation of administrations, duly authorized entities and organizations in the activities as well as in the work of the ITU;
- e) Recommendation TDAB-2 of the Conference;
- f) the increasing role of the Sector advisory bodies following ITU-2000 recommendation 25, Resolution 22 of the WTSC-96 and Resolution ITU-R 3-1 of the ITU Radiocommunication Assembly;
- g) the need to improve participation of developing countries in the work of the ITU as expressed in Resolution ITU-R 7 and WTSC-96 Resolution 17;
- h) ITU-2000 recommendation 27 and in particular paragraph 4,

convinced

of the need to enhance the participation of developing countries in the work of the three Sectors of the ITU,

instructs the Director of BDT

in close collaboration with the Director of the Radiocommunication Sector and with Director of the Telecommunication Standardization Sector, to consider and implement the best ways and means to assist developing countries and in particular least developed countries in preparing for, and participating actively in the work of the three Sectors and notably in the Sector advisory bodies and conferences and in the study groups of particular relevance to developing countries,

requests the Secretary-General

to transmit the present Resolution to the Plenipotentiary Conference,

invites

the Plenipotentiary Conference in application of No. 250 of the Convention (Geneva, 1994), that within the ceiling for the expenditure of the Union the necessary attention be given to implementing the present Resolution.