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> Circular Letter CR/331

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To Administrations of Member States of ITU

Subject: Implementation of Resolution 555 [COM5/9] (WRC-12) of the World Radiocommunication Conference, Geneva, 2012 (WRC-12)

To the Director-General

Dear Sir/Madam

1 The World Radiocommunication Conference, Geneva, 2012 (WRC-12), adopted a partial revision of the Radio Regulations and decided that the revised provisions shall enter into force on 1 January 2013, with the exception of those provisions for which another date was specifically indicated. The purpose of this Circular Letter, is to bring to the notice of administrations the decisions of the Conference contained in Resolution 555 [COM5/9] (WRC-12). This Circular Letter will be followed by a separate Circular Letter, that will summarize the decisions of the Conference with a view to facilitating their implementation, having in mind the transitional arrangements and other decisions that entered into force on 18 February 2012.

2. In Resolution 555 [COM5/9] (WRC-12), WRC-12 decided under resolves 1 "that administrations, in compliance with Article 44 of the Constitution, review their submissions in the band 21.4-22 GHz submitted before 18 February 2012, with a view to reducing the number of their submissions to the absolute minimum necessary, and indicate to the Bureau, before 30 June 2012, the networks which are no longer required to be considered and processed by the Bureau and administrations under Articles 9 and 11" and further under resolves 3 and 4 "that, for submissions received before 18 February 2012 but not yet processed by the Bureau, the notifying administration may modify, without any change in their initial date of receipt, the characteristics of the submissions and supply new values within the ranges specified in Annex 1 to the Attachment to Resolution 553 [COM5/7] (WRC-12) or Report ITU-R BO.2071; and that, for submissions received before 18 February 2012 and processed by the Bureau, the notifying administration may modify, without any change in their initial date of receipt, the characteristics within the ranges specified in Annex 1 to the Attachment to Resolution 553 [COM5/7] (WRC-12) or Report ITU-R BO.2071, provided that such modifications do not cause more interference than the current submitted parameters".

3 Resolution 555 [COM5/9] (WRC-12) also invites the ITU Council to exempt modification submissions of BSS in the band 21.4-22 GHz, envisaged under *resolves* 3 and 4 of this resolution, from cost recovery charges. The Bureau is bringing to the notice of the 2012 session of the Council (Geneva, 4-13 July 2012) the *"invites"* part of the Resolution 555 [COM5/9] (WRC-12) for its decisions.

4 Taking into consideration §3 above, Administrations may request the Bureau to review their submissions in the band 21.4-22 GHz submitted before 18 February 2012 and to indicate to the Bureau, before 30 June 2012, the networks which are no longer required to be considered and processed in accordance with *resolves* 1 of Resolution 555 [COM5/9] (WRC-12). In accordance *resolves* 3 and 4 of the same resolution, administrations may also submit at their earliest convenience possible modifications to satellite network filings in the band 21.4-22 GHz received before 18 February 2012.

5. The Bureau remains at the disposal of your administration for any clarification you may require with respect to the subjects covered in this Circular Letter.

Yours faithfully,

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