



Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU

Subject: Publication of information under Nos. 11.41 and 11.41A of the Radio Regulations

The purpose of this Circular Letter is to provide information on the new format for publication by the Radiocommunication Bureau of the coordination requirements established under No. **9.36.2** of the Radio Regulations and on the new process for recording and reviewing No. **11.41** findings in application of No. **11.41A**.

At its June 2015 meeting, ITU-R Working Party 4A requested the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau to study and implement, if feasible, the following proposals (Doc. 4A/669 Annex 14):

- 1) To separate into two distinct lists those satellite networks, which are identified under No. **9.7** in application of No. **9.36.2**, as either in the same or in the opposite direction of transmission.
- To replace the single list of administrations under No. 11.41 in Part II-S of satellite networks with distinguished lists for the various provisions for which coordination has yet to be completed (e.g., Nos. 11.41/9.7, 11.41/9.12, 11.41/9.13, 11.41/9.14, etc.), as well as to list the various satellite networks and systems with which coordination has yet to be completed.

The Bureau is pleased to inform administrations that the above proposals by the Working Party 4A have now been implemented.

New provision symbols

The Bureau has modified the GIBC/AP8 software, available as of BR IFIC 2817 / 12.04.2016, to implement the above first requirement, that will be applied to requests for coordination of satellite networks received as of 28 November 2015.

The CR/C special section will include separate tables to identify specific satellite networks under No. **9.36.2** for Case I (Wanted and interfering networks sharing the same frequency band in the same direction of transmission) and Case II (Wanted and interfering networks sharing the same frequency band in opposite directions of transmission (bidirectional use)). Similarly, in the SRS database, these cases will be indicated with the appropriate code, respectively 9.7-CI and 9.7-CII in the *coord_prov* field of the *tr_aff_ntw* table.

Concerning the frequency assignments for which the coordination under provisions Nos. **9.7**, **9.12**, **9.12A**, **9.13**, **9.14** have not yet been completed, the Bureau has started to publish since 1 November 2015, No. **11.41** findings with a reference to the specific provision under which coordination has not yet been completed (e.g. **11.41/9.7**, **11.41/9.12** etc.).

Similarly, the Bureau has also been publishing the findings under No. **9.21** agreement procedure in application of No. **11.31.1**, by distinguishing the type of networks (GSO/Non-GSO/terrestrial networks) of the affected administration with which the No. **9.21** agreement has not been obtained (e.g. V/11.31.1/A, V/11.31.1/B, V/11.31.1/C).

In this regard, the Bureau has updated the Preface to the BR IFIC (Space Services) accordingly.

Application of No. 11.41A

Nos. **11.41A** and **11.41B** specify the conditions for reviewing the findings of an assignment recorded under No. **11.41** due to a change of coordination status.

As reported in the Director's Report to WRC-15 (Doc. WRC-15/4Add.2 Rev.1, Section 3.2.3.5), the Bureau is now in the position to fully implement No. **11.41A** for all first notification notices received as of 1 January 2015.

The list of frequency assignments to satellite networks which were the basis of unfavorable finding under No. **11.32A** to a recorded assignment under No. **11.41**, is kept with the notice of the recorded assignment and will be updated whenever these frequency assignments are suppressed.

Concerning the agreement status under No. **9.21**, the list of networks/stations for which the agreement has not been obtained will be reviewed accordingly.

The Bureau has established a database to keep the record of the affected frequency assignments to networks and stations. The database with information on the list of affected networks and stations, coordination provision and basic characteristics of the frequency assignment groups (i.e. minimum and maximum frequency, assigned bandwidth, etc.) examined under No. **11.32A** is available to administrations through the online query system **Notex**, using SNS Online Query System at the following web address http://www.itu.int/net4/ITU-R/noq or www.itu.int/go/notex/.

The Bureau will periodically update the No. **11.41** information in **Notex** on suppressed networks/stations.

The functional structure of Notex Online Query system is provided in the Annex.

The Bureau remains at the disposal of your Administration via the brmail@itu.int address for any clarification you may require with respect to the subjects covered in this Circular Letter.

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Annex: 1

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Annex
Functional structure of Notex Online Query System

