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FOREWORD

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CCITT NOTE

In this Recommendation, the expression "Administration" is used for conciseness to indicate both a telecommunication Administration and a recognized private operating agency.

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Preamble

This Recommendation provides charging and accounting principles for the provision of direct access to an operator in the country of destination (Home Country Direct service).

The CCITT,

considering that Home Country Direct service

- (a) is a service offered in conjunction with credit card and reverse charged services, covered under existing E or D Series Recommendations;
 - (b) utilizes the operator in the country of destination only;
 - (c) utilizes a unique access in the country of origin,

recommends that

1 Collection charges

The service shall be charged:

- a) on the basis of the service used by the calling user (credit card, reversed charging);
- b) according to the home country direct tariffs in effect in the country of destination.

2 International accounting

2.1 Accounting rate

In principle, the accounting rate for the Home Country Direct service should be that of the international automatic telephone service, unless otherwise agreed by the Administrations concerned.

2.2 Accounting procedures

- 2.2.1 The accounting procedures applied should be based on a home country direct call being processed as an incoming call by the calling user Administration and as an outgoing call by the called user and billing Administration.
- 2.2.2 To avoid double accounting, the originating Administration shall exclude any home country direct traffic from its outgoing account.
- 2.2.3 The destination Administration will need to identify home country direct traffic separately, in order to draw up accounts with the originating Administration.