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calls**

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Summary

The Tariff Group for Africa recommends that operators in the countries of the TAF Group apply a transit rate of 0.05 SDR, maximum use of inter-African transit and progressively lower collection charges for inter-African relations.

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The Tariff Group for Africa,

recognizing

that the cost orientation of charges is essential for operators in general and for African operators in particular,

noting

- a) that the transitional arrangements in Annex E/D.140 were intended to enable low teledensity States and LDCs to move progressively towards sharing target rates;
- b) that for most Member States of the TAF Group, transit rates have remained well above the target rates;
- c) that inter-African transit is still relatively low,

recommends

- 1) that operators in the countries of the TAF Group apply a transit target rate of 0.05 SDR;
- 2) maximum use of inter-African transit; and
- 3) the progressive lowering of collection charges for inter-African relations.

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