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principle in transit relations**

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Application of the "sender pays transit" principle in transit relations

Summary

The Tariff Group for Africa recommends that Administrations in Africa negotiate and apply the principle of "sender pays transit" for all transit relations, the destination share being that of the direct relation.

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Application of the "sender pays transit" principle in transit relations

The Tariff Group for Africa,

recognizing

that overflow constitutes a solution for routing traffic when direct circuits are saturated,

noting

- a) that some operators abuse the system by diverting large volumes of traffic via overflow routes;
- b) the fall in income from net settlement balances due to payment of the transit share for overflow traffic;
- c) the practice of confidential transit rates in one direction of relations between two operators;
- d) the existence of the least cost-routing mechanism,

recommends

that Administrations negotiate and apply the principle of "sender pays transit" for all transit relations, the destination share being that of the direct relation.

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