

R 1097 Right to vote of Members of the Union

(C-1996)

The Council,

noting

a) that, pursuant to the provisions of No. 210 of the Constitution (Geneva, 1992), signatory Members which have not deposited an instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval of the Constitution and of the Convention shall no longer be entitled to vote, as from 1 July 1996, at any conference of the Union, at any session of the Council, at any meeting of any of the Sectors of the Union, or during consultation by correspondence, until they have so deposited such an instrument;

b) that non-signatory Members which have not yet deposited an instrument of accession to the Constitution and Convention (Geneva, 1992) have not had the right to vote since 1 July 1994, the date of entry into force of those two instruments,

noting further Recommendation 1 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994) on deposit of the above-mentioned instruments,

considering that it is of the greatest importance that the Members of the Union should enjoy all their rights and, in particular, that they should be able to exercise their right to vote at conferences and meetings or in formal consultations of the Union,

resolves to urge all Members of the Union which have not yet deposited their single instrument to expedite their respective national procedures for ratification, acceptance or approval of (see Article 52 of the Constitution), or accession to (see Article 53 of the Constitution), the Constitution and the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992) and to deposit their single instrument with the Secretary-General as soon as possible,

instructs the Secretary-General

1 to bring this Resolution to the attention of the Members of the Union and, as he deems fit in the light of the number of instruments deposited, to issue periodic reminders of its content to those Members of the Union which have not yet deposited their respective instruments;

2 to draw the attention of the Members in question to No. 231 of the Constitution and No. 527 of the Convention which provide that after entry into force of any instrument amending the Constitution and/or the Convention, ratification, acceptance or approval of, or accession to, the Constitution and the Convention in accordance with Articles 52 and 53 of the Constitution shall apply to the Constitution and the Convention as amended.

Ref.: Documents C96/129 and C96/137.

D 185 Interpretation of the term “majority” in connection with telegraphic consultations

(C-1957, last
amended
C-1981)

The Council,

having considered Document 1940/CA12,

decided that when an enquiry is addressed to Members of the Union by telegram, the required majority shall be the majority of the total number of Members of the Union which have ratified the Convention or acceded to it at the time when the result of the consultation is calculated, provided that, at the time, they have not lost their right to vote under the provisions of the Convention in force.

Consultations regarding the admission of new Members, made in virtue of the provisions of article 1 of the Convention, shall continue to be governed by the provisions of Resolution 216 (amended).

Ref.: Documents 2000/CA12 (1957), 4965/CA31 (1976), 5703/CA36 (1981).
