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Subject: End of Initial validation process: ITU Interactive Terrestrial (Optical Fibers and Microwaves) Transmission Maps for ARB Region

Dear Sir,

Within the framework of the implementation of the ITU Project for the implementation of the <u>Interactive</u> <u>Terrestrial Transmission Maps</u> for ARB and further to the two Circular Letters, Request for Information (<u>RFI</u>) sent in January 2013 and <u>Validation Process</u> sent in March 2013), which were circulated in the Region, we are pleased to announce that ITU have collected substantial input from the concerned stakeholders, compiled the first version of the map, and implemented the validation process on the secure ITU TIES website.

Thank you for sending the information, this has now been added to the map and has been given a Validation Status of Green (see definition below). We are preparing to launch the map after the end of September 2013 and, unless we are advised otherwise, this information is therefore ready to be publicly disclosed.

Traffic Light	Description from where information was collected
	Green Traffic Light: Information was sourced from an authentic, reliable publicly available source (such as a company website, annual report, presentation, or other publication), and has been deliberately put into the public domain by the network operator or administration (it is therefore not confidential). <i>The information is current and correct, and there is no reason why a public version could not be put into the public domain.</i>

The <u>validation process</u> of the collected data for your network will be closed at the end of October 2013 and therefore we kindly ask you to check the <u>data under TIES website</u> and provide further comments and feedback, if any, by the above mentioned deadline. After the end of November 2013, the data of your network will be part of the Interactive Terrestrial (Optical Fibers and Microwaves) Transmission Maps to be disclosed in to the public domain on the ITU website.

With your help and collaboration ITU will continue working to make this worldwide transmission map as accurate and up-to-date as possible. I look forward to receiving your feedback.

Yours sincerely,

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