

TECHNICAL NOTEBOOK ON NUMBER PORTABILITY

The VII meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee I: Telecommunication Standardization,

CONSIDERING:

- a) The phenomenal growth in telecommunications technology and services and in particular wireless and IP-based networks;
- b) The rapid evolution towards establishment of the standards and technologies for the Next Generation Network (NGN) which will be a fully converged IP-based global telecommunications platform providing seamless voice, data, image and video communication services over wireless, wireline, satellite, cable and optical fiber transport facilities;
- c) That there is an ever increasing number of citizens in the global community with telecommunications access and especially telephone service access, and
- d) That there continues to be a significant and increasing degree of mobility of citizens both in terms of where they reside and also in terms of national and international travel,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT:

- a) That citizens and the business community have become crucially dependent on telecommunications access and that an enormous amount of economic activity takes place over the global telecommunications network;
- b) That individuals and businesses become known and recognized by their telephone numbers and that telephone number changes necessitated for example by a change of physical address or change of service provider can be disruptive and even costly to the business community;
- c) That some countries have already mandated number portability as a requirement for service licenses, and
- d) That number portability technologies are now appearing in the marketplace for IP-based voice services (VoIP),

RESOLVES:

- 1. To create a Technical Notebook on number portability to provide a formalized means of maintaining number portability information that will be available to CITELE PCC.I members for reference.
- 2. To designate the Working Group on Standards Coordination:
 - 1. To develop the scope of the Portability Technical Notebook,
 - 2. To develop a Table of Contents to organize Portability information within the Notebook, and
 - 3. To develop the Technical Notebook with relevant Portability material by:
 - i. Consolidating relevant information already contributed to CITELE PCC.I, and
 - ii. Reviewing and recommending new additions to the Notebook.

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