

COM/CITEL/RES. 74 (VII-98)¹

**GUIDELINES TO THE CHAIRS OF THE PCCs
COORDINATION WITH THE ITU**

The Seveth Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL, COM/CITEL,

CONSIDERING:

- (a) The reduction of the budget appropriation for the constituent organizations and commissions of the OAS including CITEL by approximately 10% by the twenty-fifth Special Session of the OAS General Assembly in November 1998; and
- (b) The need for CITEL to seek ways and means of stabilizing its financial resource allocations in order to ensure that the full range of programmes and activities encompassed within its mandate can be successfully implemented, including the identification of cooperative arrangements with other regional, subregional and international organizations.

RECOGNIZING:

- (a) Resolution 21 adopted by the ITU World Telecommunication Development Conference (Valletta, 1998) which emphasized the need for the ITU-D to actively coordinate, collaborate and organize joint activities in areas of common interest with regional and subregional organizations and training institutions and take into consideration their activities, as well as providing them with direct technical assistance;
- (b) Resolution 72, which was adopted by the ITU World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 1997) and which instructed the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau to consult regional telecommunication organizations on the means by which assistance can be given to their preparations for future WRCs, including the facilitation of regional and interregional preparatory meetings; and
- (c) Resolution COM7/15 adopted by the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998) which noted that the cooperation between the ITU regional offices and the relevant regional organizations should be improved and strengthened, in the interest of optimizing the use of resources and avoiding duplication.

NOTING:

- (a) The important results obtained from various international forums thanks to the coordination of activities and joint proposals ITU/CITEL in the American Region;
- (b) The need to continue the coordination of Regional activities to satisfy common needs.

RESOLVES:

1. To invite the Chairs of the PCCs, with the assistance of the Executive Secretariat of CITEL, to identify activities within their respective mandates which could be undertaken jointly with the ITU.

¹ Reference document COM/CITEL/doc.407/98rev.1

2. To invite the PCC Chairs, with the assistance of the Executive Secretariat, to dialogue with the ITU, including the Head of the Regional Office of ITU in Brasilia, to determine an appropriate plan of action for carrying out joint activities including the identification of joint funding opportunities.
3. That each PCC permanently include in their agenda a follow up of ITU's activities related to the PCC at issue.
4. To delegate the completion of the previously addressed resolves to a Vice Chairperson of each PCC, jointly coordinating with the representatives of ITU's Regional Office.