

## **COM/CITEL RES.126 (X-01)<sup>1</sup>**

### **APPROVAL OF A JOINT ITU / CITEL / TIA EVENT IN 2002**

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

#### **CONSIDERING:**

- a) The many regulatory and market changes in recent years, which have had significant consequences for the activities of regulators, policy-makers and commercial interests in the Americas;
- b) The discussion between representatives of the ITU, a number of CITEL Member States, and TIA in June 2001 highlighting the benefits of bringing the above-mentioned interests together for a conference to discuss market changes, and in cases where certain market segments have been particularly vibrant, what elements (commercial, policy or regulatory) contributed to that vibrancy;
- c) The Agenda for Connectivity in the Americas discussed by COM/CITEL in Salinas, Ecuador, which included in its goals:
  - i. The inclusion of society's fundamental players – civil society, the private sector, and governments;
  - ii. The promotion of the use of infrastructure and development of national and regional content to promote the countries' respective cultural identities; and,
  - iii. The recognition of unique issues in each country while seeking common elements which might be applied throughout the region;
- d) The Cooperation Agreement between CITEL and TIA signed at the OAS in Washington, DC, in August 2001, which states that "activities that the Parties may agree to cooperate on include, but are not limited to, matters of telecommunication standardization, organization of seminars, meetings and round tables on matters of common interest; collaboration on joint projects; training; joint publications;"
- e) TIA's commitment to reach out to the private sector throughout the Americas;
- f) The ability of the ITU and corporate sponsors to fund events; and
- g) That there would be no budgetary impact on CITEL,

#### **RESOLVES:**

1. To approve a joint conference between CITEL, the ITU and in coordination with TIA, to be held in conjunction with a previously scheduled CITEL meeting in 2002.
2. To designate the Chairman of the COM/CITEL to assist the ITU and TIA in the development of the agenda of such a conference.

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3. To request the active participation of Member States and Associate Members in such an event.