

CITEL RES. 10(I-94)**PLAN OF OPERATIONS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
TELECOMMUNICATION COMMISSION FOR THE 1994-1998 PERIOD**

The First Regular Assembly of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission,

CONSIDERING:

The need to have a basic document stating and coordinating the actions to be carried out by CITEL in the 1994-1998 period;

The responsibility that Article 5 of the Statute assigns to the Assembly as regards the policies to be followed in order to fulfill CITEL's objectives and mandates,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the Plan of Operations for the 1994- 1998 period as attached to this resolution;
2. To recommend the COM/CITEL Chairman, Executive Secretary and Permanent Consultative Committees to keep such Plan of Operations in mind as a basic document in order to schedule their activities;
3. To disseminate such Plan of Operations among the Administrations as a coordination document for the purpose of their participation in CITEL activities.

ANNEX**PLAN OF OPERATIONS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
COMMISSION FOR 1994-1998****1. SCOPE**

This Plan of Operations is the basic document which sets forth and coordinates the actions to be adopted by CITEL during the 1994-1998 period for the purposes of complying efficiently with its objectives as provided for in Article 3 of the Statute.

2. OVERALL CONCEPT

In the above mentioned period, CITEL must consolidate in the countries of the Americas as the main entity devoted to strengthening the Inter-American Telecommunication System, by means of the harmonious use of all the attributions permitted by the technical autonomy granted in its Statute and Regulations, further creating all favorable conditions for the work of the executive entities responsible for the projects on telecommunications development.

3. OBJECTIVES AND ACTION AREAS**3.1 Objectives:**

- a. To promote the strengthening of the telecommunication networks and services operating in the American and Caribbean Region, and to achieve the availability

of services to users with a diversity and density adequate to the demand in both urban and rural areas.

- b. To encourage and promote the creation of radiocommunications in the region, operating with modern technologies and without generating interferences that go beyond the countries' borders, thus being useful to the wide range of radiocommunication users.
- c. To cause the integration level of regional telecommunications to facilitate a timely support to the development process of the region.
- d. To consolidate in the region an adequate coordination and cooperation with sub-regional and extra-regional entities, particularly those from Central America and the Caribbean as well as with the International Union.
- e. To harmonize national and international legal aspects for the purpose of facilitating inter-company activities within the framework of the regional telecommunications sector.

3.2 Action Areas

According to the scope, overall concept, and objectives of this Plan, CITEL action shall mainly focus on the following areas:

- a. Development of regional telecommunications
- b. Standardization and modernization of networks and services
- c. Radiocommunications
- d. Broadcasting

4. MANDATES

4.1 Permanent Executive Committee

- a. Taking into account that COM/CITEL is the executive body of CITEL representing the Assembly, and is responsible for the tasks assigned in the Statute and Regulations, COM/CITEL must mainly assess the results obtained in the scheduled operations in both the Assembly and this Plan, particularly as regards the PCCs.
- b. COM/CITEL shall encourage the strengthening of CITEL's presence in the region, a mandate which COM/CITEL is recommended to carry out through a permanent contact between its delegates and the national telecommunications administrations.
- c. When preparing draft agendas for the Committee meetings, COM/CITEL should foster the organization of Entrepreneurial Fora designed to create opportunities to exchange opinions with the managers of the entities belonging in the Regional Sector regarding the activities performed by CITEL for the benefit of companies interests.

4.2 Executive Secretariat

- a. Keeping in mind the duties assigned in Article 26 of the Statute, the Executive Secretariat shall be mainly responsible for the coordination required under the mandates set forth in this Plan of Operations.
- b. The Executive Secretariat shall grant special attention to the issues relevant to the telecommunication requirements analyzed by the organizations that are part of the OAS structure.

- c. The Executive Secretariat shall regularly update the needs of the member countries of CITEL for technical assistance in telecommunications.

4.3 Permanent Consultative Committees

- a. The mandates for these Committees have been defined in the specific resolution approved by the Assembly regarding their establishment.
- b. On or before March 31st, 1994, the PCCs Chairmen will inform the COM/CITEL Chairman the date and agenda of the meetings to be convened.

5. COMMON ACTIONS OF COM/CITEL, THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY AND THE PCCs.

- 5.1 They shall constantly promote participation in CITEL as "Associated Members" by all entities belonging in the Regional Sector.
- 5.2 All COM/CITEL and PCC meetings are recommended to analyze CITEL Statute and Regulations for the purpose of considering any necessary amendments.

6. COORDINATION

- 6.1 In order to achieve a better work coordination, the Administrations are requested to:
 - a. Provide the name and position of the officer in charge of the National Administration; such information should be permanently updated, and the Executive Secretary, COM/CITEL Members and PCC Chairmen should be informed in case any change occurs.
 - b. Maintain a list of their delegates at COM/CITEL and the PCCs; any change occurred should be informed as described under item a. above.
- 6.2 As regards the Administrations contributions to COM/CITEL and PCC meetings, the dates stated in the Regulations must be closely observed so that they may be timely prepared and distributed to the delegates at the meetings.
- 6.3 COM/CITEL, the Executive Secretary and the PCCs are encouraged to use as much as possible the telecommunications services available to exchange opinions on the matters to be solved at their meetings.