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SPECIAL MEASURES FOR APPLYING THE PRINCIPLES OF THE FSS PLAN IN APPENDIX 30B OF THE ITU RADIO REGULATIONS TO ENSURE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO THE ORBIT/SPECTRUM RESOURCE FOR CITEL COUNTRIES

The X meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II, Radiocommunications including Broadcasting,

CONSIDERING:

a) That Article 44, No. 2 of the Constitution of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) establishes that:

"In using frequency bands for radio services, Member States shall bear in mind that radio frequencies and any associated orbits, including the geostationary-satellite orbit, are limited natural resources and that they must be used rationally, efficiently and economically, in conformity with the provisions of the Radio Regulations, so that countries or groups of countries may have equitable access to those orbits and frequencies, taking into account the special needs of the developing countries and the geographical situation of particular countries.";

- b) That Resolution 80 (Rev.WRC-2000) and Resolution 86 (Rev. Marrakesh, 2002), on due diligence in applying the principles embodied in the ITU Constitution, identified the need to review and update the procedures for advance publication, coordination, notification and registration of the frequency assignments to satellite networks, with a view to facilitating, in accordance with Article 44 of the Constitution, the rational, efficient and, economic use of radio frequencies and any associated orbits, including the geostationary-satellite orbit, in conformity with the provisions of the Radio Regulations, so that countries or groups of countries may have equitable access to those orbits and frequencies, taking into account the special needs of the developing countries and the geographical situation of particular countries;
- c) That Resolution 80 (Rev.WRC-2000) notes with regard to reports of the Radio Regulations Board the "relative disadvantage for developing countries in coordination negotiations due to various reasons such as a lack of resources and expertise" and the "statutory time-frames, such as those in No. 11.48, may often be insufficient for developing countries to be able to complete the regulatory requirements as well as the design, construction and launch of satellite systems";
- d) That Resolution 2 (Rev.WRC-03), on the equitable use, by all countries, with equal rights, of the geostationary-satellite and other satellite orbits and of frequency bands for space radiocommunication services, (Geneva, 2003), states that a country or a group of countries having registered, with the Bureau of Radiocommunications, frequencies for their space radiocommunication services need to take all practicable measures to facilitate the use of new space systems by other countries or groups of countries, in particular those of developing countries and least developed countries, so desiring;
- e) That different regional and subregional groups have worked unceasingly in an effort to have a satellite system of their own to serve as a tool for their social and economic development,

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f) That the FSS Plan in Appendix 30B of the ITU Radio Regulations for the bands 4500-4800 MHz, 6725-7025 MHz, 10.7-10.95 GHz, 11.2-11.45 GHz, and 12.75-13.25 GHz was established to ensure equitable access to the geostationary orbit for all countries,

NOTING:

That actions to be taken at WRC-07 are expected to improve the procedures of Appendix 30B,

RESOLVES:

- 1. That PCC.II establish a Group Ad Hoc in the Working Group Relative to Satellite Systems to Provide Fixed and Mobile Services to facilitate the implementation of the modification procedures of the allotments in the FSS Plan in Appendix 30B by regional or subregional groups of CITEL Member States;
- 2. That the Group Ad Hoc identify regional and/or subregional groups of CITEL Member States for the purpose of collaborating on implementing the modification procedures of Appendix 30B;
- 3. That this Group Ad Hoc provide assistance in recommending changes to allotments in Appendix 30B to provide for the required spectrum and geographic coverage;
- 4. That the Group Ad Hoc assist in the preparation of appropriate studies regarding the FSS Plan for submission to the ITU-R;
- 5. That the Group Ad Hoc prepare a Draft New Question for submission to ITU-R Radiocommunication Assembly 2007 that addresses the development of methods for modifications to allotments in the FSS Plan to make more efficient use of those orbital and spectrum resources while fostering equitable access to the geostationary orbit. This Draft New Question should be prepared by the Group through electronic correspondence in time for submission to the Radiocommunication Assembly 2007:
- 6. That the terms of reference for the Ad Hoc Group shall be as stated in Annex 1 to this Resolution.

REQUESTS:

That the ITU Bureau of Radiocommunications provides assistance in support of the work of the Group.

ANNEX TO RESOLUTION PCC.II/RES. 45 (X-07)

Terms of Reference

Group Ad Hoc to study implementation of the FSS Plan in Appendix 30B

Chairperson: Colombia

Vice Chairperson: United States

- 1. The Ad Hoc Group will study means to facilitate the implementation of the modification of procedures of the allotments in the FSS Plan in Appendix 30B Plan by regional or subregional groups of CITEL Member countries;
- 2. The Ad Hoc Group will identify regional and or subregional groups of CITEL Member countries for the purpose of providing advice on implementing the modification procedures of the FSS Appendix 30B Plan;
- 3. The Ad Hoc Group will provide assistance in recommending changes to the FSS Appendix 30B Plan to provide the required spectrum and geographic coverage;
- 4. The Ad Hoc Group will prepare a Draft New Question for submission to ITU-R Radiocommunication Assembly 2007 that addresses the development of methods for modifications to allotments in the FSS Appendix 30B Plan make more efficient use of those orbital and spectrum resources while fostering equitable access to the geostationary orbit.
- 5. The Ad Hoc Group will provide assistance in the preparation of appropriate studies regarding the FSS Appendix 30B Plan for submission to the ITU-R;
- 6. The business of the Ad Hoc Group will be conducted primarily through electronic means.