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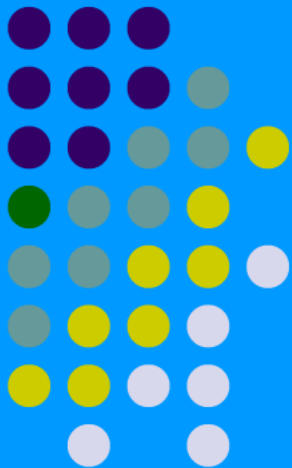
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## African Region Preparation for WCIT 2012

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# Africa Region Prep-Meetings

- Three meetings held.
  - Cairo, Egypt
  - Durban, South Africa 21-25 May 2012.
  - Accra, Ghana
- Agreed on almost all the Articles of the ITRs.



# ITR Preamble



- the African position stresses on the purpose of the ITRs:
- *“promoting the development of telecommunication services and their most efficient operation while harmonizing the development of facilities for world-wide telecommunications.”*



# Article 1: Scope of the ITRs



- The ITRs are applicable to Member States;
- Transfer of Obligations to OA via the CS.
- Very few Recommendations shall be obligatory (e.g. having policy and regulatory impact – e.g. those approved by TAP)



# Article 2 : Definitions

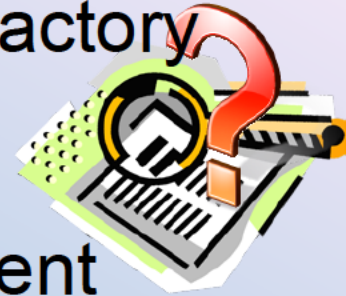


- New definitions:
  - Fraud.
  - Origination Identification.
- Defining Spam is related to a “definition of a concept” not a “term”.
- Possible Definition for a new term [Telecommunications/ICT]



# Article 3 : Networks

- Ensure cooperation of OAs for “Satisfactory Quality of Service (QoS)”
- and be maintained to the greatest extent practicable and as much as possible, corresponding to relevant ITU-T Recom.
- OAs agree on the route of traffic.
- Application of ITU-T Recom. for numbering, avoidance of numbering misuse.
- CPND and Origin Identification be provided to the greatest extent as per ITU-T Recom.



# Article 4 : Services

- Conformance to the greatest extent practicable to ITU-T Recommendations including satisfactory QoS.
- Ensure transparency of end-user prices and the provision of clear information on how to access the services and the prices thereof, in particular to avoid unreasonable or surprising bills.



# Article 5 : Safety

- Adopt policies that, to the greatest extent practicable, ensure safety of life telecommunications.
- Encourage OA to apply relevant ITU-T Recom. including: priority.
- MS ensure that OA acknowledge and provide emergency numbers free of charge.





# Article 5A : Security and Confidence

- MSs should cooperate regarding telecom security matters (including cybersecurity), in particular to develop technical standards and acceptable legal norms, including among others those regarding territorial jurisdiction and sovereign responsibility.
- MSs shall cooperate to harmonize national laws, jurisdictions, and practices in the areas of: the investigation and prosecution of [cybercrime] (including eavesdropping and breach of privacy of telecommunications); data preservation, retention, protection (including personal data protection), and privacy; and approaches for network defence and response to cyber attacks.
- MS ensure that OA Combat Fraud.



# Article 5B : Spam



- Ensure that operating agencies take appropriate measures to prevent the propagation of spam.



# Article 6 : Economic & Policy 1



- Transparency to retail prices and QoS.
- Invest in Wideband Infrastructure.
- Promote Whole Sale Cost-Oriented Pricing.
- Fair compensation for carried traffic.
- OA establish mutual commercial agreements with providers of international communication applications and services in alignment with principles of fair competition, innovation, adequate quality of service and security.



# Article 6 : Economic & Policy 2



- OA right to charge providers of international communication applications and services appropriate access charges based on the agreed quality of service.
- MS shall ensure that rates (in particular transit rates, termination rates, and roaming rates) are cost-oriented.
- *[MS may take necessary measures to optimize the utilization of the facilities of operating agencies in their territories and to ensure their sustainable development]*



# Article 6 : Economic & Policy 3



- Operating agencies shall by mutual agreement, on the basis of cost orientation, establish and revise accounting, transit and termination rates.
- Having access to alternative dispute resolution mechanisms and will have recourse to the relevant regulatory or competition authorities of the other party's state.



# Article 7 : Suspension of Service



- Right to suspend service according to the ITU Constitution.



# Article 8 : Disseminations of Information

- If so authorized by the concerned Member State, the information can be transmitted to the Secretary-General directly by an operating agency and shall then be disseminated by the Secretary-General .



# Article 8A : Environment



- MS cooperate to encourage OA and Industry to consider Energy Efficiency.
- MS cooperate to encourage OA and Industry to consider avoiding causing harm to other MSs.





# Article 9 : Special Arrangements



- Take account of ITU-T Recommendations.
- Any such special arrangements should avoid technical or financial harm to the operation of the telecommunications of third parties.



# Article 10 : Entry into Force



- Same as RR and the Constitution.



# Appendices I, II, III



- No major change, just simplification.





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