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PROPOSALS FOR THE WORK OF THE CONFERENCE

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DRAFT NEW RESOLUTION [GHA-1]

To review the ITRs more regularly

The World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012),

recognizing

- a) that the International Telecommunication Regulations (ITRs) is one of the pillars supporting the ITU's mission;
- b) that 24 years passed between the approval of the ITRs and its review at this conference;
- c) that the ITRs consists of high level guiding principles that should not require frequent amendment but in the fast moving sector of telecommunications/ICTs need to be more regularly reviewed,

further recognising

- a) that the Radio Regulations (RRs) define:
 - i. the allocation of different radio services
 - ii. the mandatory technical parameters to be observed by radio station especially transmitters
 - iii. procedure for coordination and notification of frequency assignments among other
 - iv. the use of the satellite orbits

b) that Administrations may decide to implement the RRs and the ITRs, through national legislation or regulations,

considering

- a) That the Council Working Group to prepare the 2012 World Conference on International Telecommunication has held extensive discussions on the ITRs;
- b) That there have been wide consultations in all ITU regions, involving private-sector members, associates, academic members and civil society groups, showing great interest in the revision of the ITRs;
- c) That many input documents have been submitted by the ITU membership,

noting

- a) That technological development and demand for services that require high bandwidth continue to increase;
- b) That the ITRs:
 - i. Establish general principles on the provision and operation of international telecoms
 - ii. Facilitate global interconnection and interoperability
 - iii. Promote efficiency, usefulness, and availability of international telecommunication services

resolves

- a) That the ITRs should be reviewed at the occasion of every other WTSA (approximately every eight years) due to the fact that:
 - i. There are rapid changes in technologies and services; thus policies and regulations on ICTs should reflect these changes.
 - ii. There is increased use of IP-enabled infrastructure and applications that comes with opportunities and challenges for the ICT sector and these need to be recognised in time.
- b) When reviewing the ITRs particular attention should be paid to issues relating to:
 - i. Roaming
 - ii. Misuse and fraud
 - iii. Numbering and identification related issues
 - iv. Transparency in traffic management and routing
 - v. General telecommunication and economic related issues
 - vi. Cyber security and cyber threat
 - vii. Energy efficiency
 - viii. Climate Change, Environment and E-waste
 - ix. Accessibility

c) To invite the Plenipotentiary Conference to consider this Resolution and to take action as appropriate,

instructs the Secretary-General

to bring this Resolution to the attention of the Plenipotentiary Conference,

instructs the Secretary-General and the Directors of the Bureaux

to identify and collate the relevant and pressing telecommunication issues which should be discussed with a view towards incorporation in the ITRs,

Invites Member States

to contribute to the work outlined in this Resolution.
