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The Arab States common proposals were developed over several preparatory meetings of the Arab Group.

The proposals seek to find solutions in line with the views of the Arab Administrations to satisfy the various issues addressed by WCIT-12, within the framework of its agenda and scope.

During the preparatory meetings of the Arab Region for the preparation of the WCIT-12, main input and output Documents for the CWG-WCIT12 meetings were discussed and examined by the Arab Group with a view towards focusing on the most important issues and to reconcile the differences in approaches.

As result of this examination and discussion and taking into account the various proposals of other Regional Groups (APT, ATU, CEPT, CITELE, RCC, etc.) and other membership; the following views and Modification of the ITRs provisions were endorsed by the Arab Group with the aim to reflect the Arab Region interests and at the same time converge with other membership proposals.

Additions as well as alterations of the existing Draft ITRs Text have also been made using revision marks.

It is maybe worth mentioning that Arab States are further planning to submit revision and/or extension to this common proposal to the work of the WCIT-12 which would include proposals on the provisions provided below as well as other provisions that have not yet received any common proposal from the Arab States.

¹ These proposals are co-sponsored by Palestine. For the status of Palestine, see Resolution 99 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010).

NOC ARB/7/1

INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION REGULATIONS

NOC ARB/7/2

PREAMBLE

Reasons: Title of Preamble remains unchanged.

MOD ARB/7/3

1 While the sovereign right of each State to regulate its telecommunications is fully recognized, the provisions of the present International Telecommunication Regulations (hereinafter “Regulations”) complement the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, with a view to attaining the purposes of the International Telecommunication Union in promoting the development of telecommunication services and their most efficient operation while harmonizing the development of facilities for world-wide telecommunications.

Reasons: This Proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/3](#). The term “State” is the one used in the Constitution. The term “complement” is the one used in the English Constitution.

NOC ARB/7/4

ARTICLE 1

Purpose and Scope of the Regulations

Reasons: Title of Article 1 remains unchanged.

MOD ARB/7/5

2 1.1 a) These Regulations establish general principles which relate to the provision and operation of international telecommunication services offered to the public as well as to the underlying international telecommunication transport means used to provide such services. These Regulations also set rules applicable to Member States and operating agencies*.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/7](#). Update the term "administrations or recognized operating agencies" with Member States and operating agencies.

* The term “operating agency” includes “recognized operating agency” and is used in that sense throughout these Regulations.

MOD ARB/7/6

3 *b)* These Regulations recognize the right of Member States to allow special arrangements as provided in Article 9.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/9](#). Important to recognize special arrangement between operators.

ADD ARB/7/7

3A *c)* These Regulations recognize that Member States shall take the necessary measures to prevent interruptions of services and shall ensure that no harm is caused by their operating agencies to the operating agencies of other Member States which are operating in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/12](#). Emphasize the importance of taking all measures to prevent the interruption of services causing harm to the operations of other Member States.

ADD ARB/7/8

3B *d)* These Regulations recognize the absolute priority for safety of life telecommunications, including distress telecommunications, emergency telecommunications services and telecommunications for disaster relief as provided in Article 5.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/14](#). Emphasize the priority of safety of life and emergency telecommunications.

ARB/7/9

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/15](#). No new 1.1 e) required since it is quite similar to 1.23.

NOC ARB/7/10

4 1.2 In these Regulations, “the public” is used in the sense of the population, including governmental and legal bodies.

Reasons: It may be necessary to clarify what is meant by "the public".

MOD ARB/7/11

5 1.3 *a)* These Regulations are established with a view to facilitating global interconnection and interoperability of telecommunication facilities and to promoting the harmonious development and efficient operation of technical facilities, as well as the efficiency, usefulness and availability to the public and the security of international telecommunication services; and the availability, operation, and use of advanced telecommunications facilities in all countries.

1.3 *b)* These Regulations promote greater confidence and security, including of information, in the provision of international telecommunications/ICTs.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/19](#). This proposal emphasizes the importance of security and availability of telecommunications in all countries. This view merges between different proposals including the Latin America & Caribbean, ARB, and RCC views as provided in Doc. TD 62.

MOD ARB/7/12

6 1.4 Unless otherwise specified in these Regulations, references to Recommendations of the ITU in these Regulations are not to be taken as giving to those Recommendations the same legal status as the Regulations.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/21](#). This proposal emphasizes that Recommendations by the ITU are voluntary by nature, except for those specific Recommendations to which WCIT-12 agrees to give them different status.

MOD ARB/7/13

7 1.5 Within the framework of the present Regulations, the provision and operation of international telecommunication services in each relation is pursuant to mutual agreement between Member States and/or operating agencies, as the case may be.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/23](#). Update the term "administrations or recognized operating agencies" with Member States and operating agencies. Important to recognize special arrangement between operators.

MOD ARB/7/14

8 1.6 In implementing the principles of these Regulations, Member States and operating agencies should comply with the relevant Recommendations by the ITU having policy or regulatory implications.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/28](#). This proposal emphasizes the importance of compliance with Recommendations by the ITU that have policy and regulatory implications.

MOD ARB/7/15

9 1.7 a) These Regulations recognize the right of any Member State, subject to national law and should it decide to do so, to require that operating agencies, which operate in its territory or provide an international telecommunication service to the public in its territory, be authorized by that Member State.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/33](#). In line with CS, Member States have the sovereign right to impose obligations in accordance with national law, on all operating agencies, not just on recognized operating agencies.

SUP ARB/7/16

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Reasons: This provision seems to be very similar to 1.6 and should be suppressed as there is a need to avoid repetition.

MOD ARB/7/17

11 c) The Member States and operating agencies, where appropriate, shall cooperate in implementing the International Telecommunication Regulations.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/37](#). This proposal emphasizes the importance of cooperation among the membership to meet the objective of these Regulations. The term "Members" is replaced by Member States and operating agencies.

NOC ARB/7/18

12 1.8 The Regulations shall apply, regardless of the means of transmission used, so far as the Radio Regulations do not provide otherwise.

Reasons: Retain this provision since it defines the scope of the ITRs, and clarifies its relation with respect to the RR.

ARB/7/19

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/41](#). No new 1.9 is required since it is generally understood. It is also adequately covered by 1.1 b) as well as Article 9. See also [Information Doc 9](#) from the ITU Secretary-General clarifying this matter in great detail.

NOC ARB/7/20

ARTICLE 2

Definitions

Reasons: title of Article 2 remains unchanged.

NOC ARB/7/21

13 For the purpose of these Regulations, the following definitions shall apply. These terms and definitions do not, however, necessarily apply for other purposes.

MOD ARB/7/22

14 2.1 *Telecommunication/ICT:* Any transmission, emission or reception, including processing, of signs, signals, writing, images and sounds or intelligence of any nature by wire, radio, optical or other electromagnetic systems.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/48](#). The Term Telecommunications/ICTs is commonly used within the ITU, it is mentioned many times in all of its Conferences and Assemblies outcomes. Although the term "Telecommunication" and its definition in both the ITRs and the CS&CV already covers the ICTs, it is quite useful to clearly reflect this by slightly improving the definition. It is important to understand that this proposal does not intend to change the current Telecommunication definition; it rather creates another parallel clarifying definition for Telecommunications/ICTs.

MOD ARB/7/23

16 2.3 *Government telecommunications:* Telecommunications originating with any: Head of a State; Head of a government or members of a government; Commanders-in-Chief of military forces, land, sea or air; diplomatic or consular agents; the Secretary-General of the United Nations; Heads of the principal organs of the United Nations; the International Court of Justice, or replies to government telecommunications mentioned above.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/54](#). Align with CS 1014.

ADD ARB/7/24

27B 2.10B *Operating Agency*: Any individual, company, corporation or governmental agency which operates a telecommunication installation intended for an international telecommunication service or capable of causing harmful interference with such a service.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/54](#). Taken from CS 1007.

The provisional number 27B is chosen taking into account that a proposal for a new provision 27A on a different topic is found in WCIT/4 Add.2.

ADD ARB/7/25

27C 2.13 *Spam*: information transmitted over telecommunication networks as text, sound, image, tangible data used in a man-machine interface bearing advertizing nature or having no meaningful message, simultaneously or during a short period of time, to a large number of particular addressees without prior consent of the addressee (recipient) to receive this information or information of this nature.

Note: Spam should be distinguished from information of any type (advertisements inclusive) transmitted over broadcasting (non-addressed) networks (such as TV and/or radio broadcasting networks, etc.).

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/78](#). The proposal merges the Arab views with ATU and the RCC views. Spam is one of the very critical issues to be dealt with under the revised ITRs. A definition is provided that is based on the ITU studies on countering Spam. (See ITU-T Rec. X.1231, X.1240, X.1241, X.1242, X.1243, X.1244, and X.1245).

ADD ARB/7/26

27F 2.16 *Fraud*: Use of public international telecommunication services or facilities with the intention of avoiding payment, without correct payment, with no payment at all, or by making someone else pay, by misusing numbering (addressing) resources, by intentional misrepresentation of identity, or other deceptive practices, in order to obtain personal or financial gain that can lead to actual or potential disadvantage or financial harm to another individual or group.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/85](#).

ADD ARB/7/27

27H 2.21 *Originating Identification*: The Originating Identification is the service by which the terminating party shall have the possibility of receiving identity information in order to identify the origin of the communication.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/91](#). The proposal is merging the Arab views with ATU views. Fraud is one of the very critical issues to be dealt with under the revised ITRs. A definition is provided that is based on the ITU studies. The impact of non-delivery of the true origin of a call has been dealt with repeatedly in the ITU-T SGs - in particular ITU-T SG3 - and related Workshops . It was demonstrated that the MS or OA terminating the call is subject to great financial losses without having the capability to identify the exact cause of this loss due to their ignorance or being handicapped to identify the origin or the overall route of the call. There are several mechanisms in which suppression or transmission of fake call origin causes such losses. When suppression or spoofing is intentional to obtain financial gain based on wrongful deception

regarding the origin of the call, then this should be considered a fraudulent activity and should be prohibited and/or prosecuted. Many cases of fraud are association with the non-transmission of calling party identification. Origin identification is required to prevent this and also for security reasons.

NOC ARB/7/28

ARTICLE 3

International Network

Reasons: Title of Article 3 remains unchanged.

MOD ARB/7/29

28 3.1 Member States shall ensure that operating agencies cooperate in the establishment, operation and maintenance of the international network to provide a satisfactory quality of service and above a minimum level taking into consideration the relevant Recommendations of the ITU.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/110](#). The provision imposes a requirement to cooperate, not a requirement to provide a particular level of quality of service. Further, it refers only to the international network, not the national network.

It was noted that reliance only on market forces according to competition mechanism to improve QoS offered to the users has not worked in many instances, but in the contrary, there exist agility in offering low quality services that makes the consumer more often prone to be a victim for such deteriorated services, in particular those based on VoIP. Assuring a level of QoS above a minimum set by the relevant ITU-T Recommendation shall help to a great extent to preserve users' rights. Moreover, the term "satisfactory" is adequate compromise between minimum and maximum QoS.

MOD ARB/7/30

29 3.2 Member States shall ensure that operating agencies endeavour to provide sufficient telecommunication facilities to meet the requirements of and demand for international telecommunications/ICTs.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/113](#). This proposal replaces the term "administration and Recognized Operating Agencies" with Member States and operating agencies. It also emphasizes the importance of facilitating adequate access and promptly responding to the market demand.

MOD ARB/7/31

30 3.3 Operating agencies shall determine by mutual agreement which international routes are to be used. A Member State has the right to know how its traffic is routed.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/119](#). This proposals modifies the original provision with the objective of recognizing that most of the international routes are determined through

mutual agreements between the operators. However Member States shall continue to be able to know how its traffic is routed, mainly for purposes of security and preventing fraud.

MOD ARB/7/32

31 3.4 Subject to national law, any user, by having access to the international network established by an operating agency, has the right to send traffic. A satisfactory quality of service and above a minimum level should be maintained corresponding to relevant Recommendations of the ITU.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/124](#). This proposal supports the retention of the original provision with slight amendments to ensure right of quality access for the user.

ADD ARB/7/33

31A 3.5 a) Member States shall ensure that international naming, numbering, addressing and identification resources specified in the ITU-T Recommendations are used only by the assignees and only for the purposes for which they were assigned; and that unassigned resources are not used.

3.5 b) Member states shall, if they so elect, be able to control all naming, numbering, addressing and identification resources used within their territories for international telecommunications/ICTs.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/140](#). Adequate, efficient, and trusted management of the naming, numbering, and addressing resources shall continue to be ensured. Member States shall take appropriate measures to ensure the confidence in using these important resources. This proposal also merges between the different proposals given on this matter.

ADD ARB/7/34

31B 3.6 Member States shall, through various channels open to them, ensure that operating agencies to:

- implement CLI features, where technically possible
- use appropriate standards when implementing CLI features,
- ensure that integrity of CLI is maintained end to end
- ensure that the requirements associated with data protection and data privacy are met.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/148](#). This proposal is a merge between the CEPT views and the views of ARB, the ATU, the Latin America, Pacific Islands, and APT. The main objective is to implement Calling Line Identification features facilitate the identification of the origin of calls, mainly for security reasons, and to limit spoofing and prevent fraud.

ADD ARB/7/35

31C 3.7 Member states shall take appropriate measures nationally to ensure that all parties (including operating agencies) involved in the provision of international telecommunication connections negotiate and agree to bilateral commercial arrangements, or an alternative type of arrangements, enabling direct international telecommunication connections that take into account the possible need for compensation between them for the value of elements such as traffic flow, number of routes, and cost of international transmission.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/155](#). The substance of the issue is important, the language is similar to that found in Recommendation ITU-T D.50, and should be included in the ITRs. However, the previous proposal did not appear to be technology-neutral, and it used the term "administration", this has been amended in this proposal.

ARB/7/36

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/156](#). No need to add new 3.8 (right to transmit traffic), since the essence of this is already covered in 3.4.

NOC ARB/7/37

ARTICLE 4

International Telecommunication Services

Reasons: Title of Article 4 remains unchanged.

MOD ARB/7/38

32 4.1 Member States shall promote the implementation and development of international telecommunications/ICTs. They shall also endeavour to ensure that operating agencies make international telecommunication services generally available to the public in their national network(s).

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/161](#). This proposal merges between the views of the CEPT with the ARB, RCC, and USA. It also replaces the term "administrations or ROAs" with Member States and operating agencies.

MOD ARB/7/39

33 4.2 Member States shall ensure that operating agencies cooperate within the framework of these Regulations to provide by mutual agreement, a wide range of international telecommunication services which should conform, to the greatest extent practicable, to the relevant Recommendations of the ITU.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/164](#). This proposal replaces the term "administrations or ROAs" with Member States and operating agencies, and replaces CCITT with ITU.

MOD ARB/7/40

34 4.3 Subject to national law, Member States shall ensure that operating agencies provide and maintain, to the greatest extent practicable, a satisfactory quality of service and above a minimum level taking into consideration the relevant Recommendations of the ITU with respect to:

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/169](#). This proposal emphasizes the role of Member States in endorsing satisfactory QoS.

NOC ARB/7/41

- 35** a) access to the international network by users using terminals which are permitted to be connected to the network and which do not cause harm to technical facilities and personnel;

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/171](#). Retain this provision to ensure conditional/healthy access.

MOD ARB/7/42

- 36** b) international telecommunication facilities and services available to customers for their use;

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/176](#). Retain this provision to ensure availability, while updating it to ensure efficiency and advanced technology.

MOD ARB/7/43

- 37** c) at least a form of telecommunications/ICTs which is reasonably accessible to the public, including those who may not be subscribers to a specific telecommunication service; and

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/178](#). Retain this provision to ensure Public access to the ICTs.

NOC ARB/7/44

- 38** d) a capability for interworking between different services, as appropriate, to facilitate international communications.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/180](#). Retain this provision to facilitate the growth of international communications, via the convergence between the different services and technologies.

ADD ARB/7/45

38A 4.4 Member States shall ensure that operating agencies providing international telecommunication services, at least provide - free of charge - transparent and up-to-date information on retail charges to end users, including international roaming charges.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/183](#). Retain this provision and improve it to emphasize the end users right for transparency in retail charges. This proposal merges the previous Arab proposal with the CEPT proposal.

ARB/7/46

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/193](#). No need for new 38B, 4.5 (Global Telecommunications Services).

ARB/7/47

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/156](#). No need for new 38C, 4.6 (provision of roaming). Its essence is already covered by 4.4 above.

NOC ARB/7/48

ARTICLE 5

Safety of Life and Priority of Telecommunications

Reasons: Title of Article 5 remains unchanged.

MOD ARB/7/49

39 5.1 Safety of life telecommunications, including distress telecommunications, emergency telecommunication services and telecommunications for disaster relief, shall be entitled to transmission as of right and shall, where technically practicable, have absolute priority over all other telecommunications, in accordance with the relevant Articles of the Constitution and Convention in accordance with relevant Resolutions and Recommendations of the ITU.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/203](#). Retain this important provision, and slightly improve its text. The proposal also recognizes that there are a number of ITU (ITU-T, ITU-D, and ITU-R) Resolutions which are related to Safety of Life and should be taken into account.

MOD ARB/7/50

40 5.2 Government telecommunications, including telecommunications relative to the application of certain provisions of the United Nations Charter, shall, where technically practicable, enjoy priority over other types of telecommunications other than those referred to in 5.1, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution and Convention and taking due account of relevant ITU Recommendations.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/209](#). Retain this provision, and slightly improve its text. The proposal also merges between the RCC views with the USA, and ARB views.

MOD ARB/7/51

41 5.3 The provisions governing the priority enjoyed by any other telecommunications are contained in the relevant Recommendations of the ITU.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/211](#). Retain this provision, and slightly improve its text.

ARB/7/52

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/214](#). No new 41A, 5.4 (applying ITU Rec. on Safety of Life) is required, since the essence of it is already covered by the previous 5.1, 5.2, and 5.3.

ADD ARB/7/53

41B 5.5 Member States should cooperate to introduce in addition to their existing national emergency numbers a global number for calls to the emergency services globally.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/217](#).

ADD ARB/7/54

41C 5.6 Member States shall ensure that operating agencies inform every roaming user, in good time and free of charge, of the number to be used for calls to the emergency services.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/219](#). This proposal slightly improves the original text of the proposal of new 5.5 & 5.6, and aims to facilitate the harmonization of worldwide emergency number(s), building up on studies found in ITU-T Rec. E.161.1.

ADD ARB/7/55

ARTICLE 5A

Confidence and Security of Telecommunications/ICTs

41D 5A.1 Member States shall undertake appropriate measures, individually or in cooperation with other Members states, to ensure Confidence and Security of Telecommunications/ICTs.

5A.2 Issues related to security include physical and operational security; cybersecurity, cyberthreats, and cyber attacks; denial of service attacks; other online crime; controlling and countering unsolicited electronic communication (e.g Spam); and protection of information and personal data (e.g. phishing).

5A.3 Member States, in accordance to national law, shall cooperate to investigate, prosecute, correct and repair security breaches and incidents in timely manner.

5A.4 Member States shall ensure that operating agencies and other concerned entities provide and maintain, to the greatest extent practicable, confidence and security of telecommunications/ICTs.

5A.5 Member States shall ensure that operating agencies and other concerned entities cooperate with their counter parts in other Member states in ensuring confidence and security of telecommunications/ICTs.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/229](#). Confidence and Security in the use of ICTs is one of the most -if not the most- critical issues to be dealt with under the revised ITRs. At personnel, business, and government levels building confidence and security in the ICTs is a top priority. However this could only be achieved through global commitment and cooperation. The new article treats this vital issue in three main points:

- Appropriate measures by the Member States (e.g. standards, legalizations, policies, initiatives, etc.);
- Enforcing such security measures to the extent practicable;
- Global Cooperation in order to promptly resolving security breaches.

NOC ARB/7/56

ARTICLE 7

Suspension of Services

Reasons: title of Article 7 remains unchanged.

MOD ARB/7/57

55 7.1 If a Member State exercises its right in accordance with the Constitution and Convention to suspend international telecommunication services partially or totally, that Member States shall immediately notify the Secretary-General of the suspension and of the subsequent return to normal conditions by the most appropriate means of communication.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/320](#). Retain this important provision with slight update of text.

MOD ARB/7/58

56 7.2 The Secretary-General shall immediately bring such information to the attention of all other Member States, using the most appropriate means of communication.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/321](#). Retain this important provision with slight update of text.

NOC ARB/7/59

ARTICLE 8

Dissemination of Information

Reasons: Title of Article 8 remains unchanged.

MOD ARB/7/60

57 8.1 Using the most suitable and economical means, the Secretary-General shall disseminate information, provided by Member States, of an administrative, operational, tariff or statistical nature concerning international telecommunication routes and services. Such information shall be disseminated in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Convention and of this Article, on the basis of decisions taken by the Council or by competent conferences, and taking account of conclusions or decisions of competent Assemblies. If so authorized by the concerned Member State, the information may be transmitted to the Secretary-General directly by an operating agency and shall then be disseminated by the Secretary-General.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/324](#). Retain this important provision with slight update of text. Moreover, recognize the possible authorization by Member States to its operating agencies to notify this information directly to the ITU on its behalf.

ADD ARB/7/61

57A 8.2 Member States should transmit such information to the Secretary-General in timely manner and in accordance with the relevant Recommendation of the ITU.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/324](#). This proposed provision aims to urge the Member States or its authorized operating agencies to transmit this important information on timely manner.

NOC ARB/7/62

ARTICLE 9

Special Arrangements

Reasons: Title of Article 9 remains unchanged.

MOD ARB/7/63

58 9.1 *a)* Special arrangements may be entered into on telecommunication matters which do not concern Member States in general. Subject to national laws, Member States may allow operating agencies or other organizations or persons to enter into such special mutual arrangements with operating agencies or other organizations or persons that are so allowed in another country for the establishment, operation, and use of special telecommunication networks, systems and services, in order to meet specialized international telecommunication needs within and/or between the territories of the Member States concerned, and including, as necessary, those financial, technical, or operating conditions to be observed.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/331](#). Retain this important provision with slight update/improvement of the text. Moreover, recognize that such arrangements could also be entered into by operating agencies.

MOD ARB/7/64

59 *b)* Any such special arrangements shall avoid technical harm to the operation of the telecommunication facilities and services of third parties, and shall not diminish the security and confidence of telecommunications/ICTs of third parties.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/334](#). Retain this very important provision, which highlights the conditions for any of these mutual special arrangements; obviously security is among these important conditions.

MOD ARB/7/65

60 9.2 Member States should, where appropriate, encourage the parties to any special arrangements that are made pursuant to No. 9.1 above to take into account relevant provisions of Recommendations of the ITU.

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/341](#). Retain this provision with slight improvement/update of its text. The proposal recognizes that the studies done under the ITU could act as reference or at least as starting point when entering into any special arrangements.

MOD ARB/7/66

ARTICLE 10

Entry into force and provisional application

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/344](#). Reflects new content of Article 10.

MOD ARB/7/67

61 These Regulations, of which [Appendices 1, 2 and 3 form integral parts], and which complement the provisions of the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, shall enter into force on 1 January 201[5] and shall be applied as of that date pursuant to Article 54 of the Constitution.

SUP ARB/7/68

Reasons: This proposal is based on [CWG/4A2/345](#). Suppress 10.2 through 10.4 and align the ITRs Entry into Force with same provisions of the RR. The provisions related to Entry into force are quite complex and have been drafted adequately and with extra care under Article 54 of CS. Any attempt to re-draft similar text is quite complex and may create contradiction with CS/CV. Hence it is quite advisable to simply refer to the CS Article 54. Also see the detail document on this critical matter provided by the ITU Secretary-General in Doc 62 to the CWG-WCIT12.
