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PROPOSED REVISION TO RESOLUTION 77

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RESOLUTION 77 (REV. ~~GUADALAJARA, 2010~~BUSAN, 2014)

**Future Scheduling and duration of conferences, forums, assemblies and forums Council Sessions of the Union (2011-2014~~2015-2019~~)**

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union  
(~~Guadalajara, 2010~~;Busan, 2014),

recalling

- a) No. 47 in Article 8 of the ITU Constitution, which stipulates that the Plenipotentiary Conference shall be convened every four years;
- b) Nos. 90 and 91 in Article 13 of the Constitution, which stipulate that world radiocommunication conferences (WRC) and radiocommunication assemblies (RA) shall normally be convened every three to four years, and shall be associated in place and time;
- c) No. 114 in Article 18 of the Constitution, which stipulates that world telecommunication standardization assemblies shall be convened every four years;
- d) No. 141 in Article 22 of the ITU Constitution, which stipulates that, between two plenipotentiary conferences, there shall be one world telecommunication development conference (WTDC);
- e) No. 51 in Article 4 of the ITU Convention, which stipulates that the ITU Council shall hold an ordinary session annually at the seat of the Union;

~~recognizing~~

~~a)~~ Resolution 111 (Rev. ~~Antalya, 2006~~Busan, 2014) of the Plenipotentiary Conference;

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~~b)~~ Resolution ~~153 (Rev. Guadalajara, 2010)~~ of this conference 71 on the strategic plan for the Union for 2016-2019 and the priorities identified therein;

b) that, in the consideration of the draft financial plan of the Union for 2016-2019, the challenge to increase revenues in support of increasing programme demands is substantial;

considering

a) the need to take into account the financial resources of the Union when scheduling conferences, assemblies, and forums, particularly the necessity for ensuring efficient Union operations within limited resources;

b) that holding conferences, assemblies, and forums in the same year as the plenipotentiary conference, represents a burden for the Union's membership and staff;

*having considered*

a) Document PP-~~10/55~~14/56 submitted by the Secretary-General, on planned conferences and assemblies;

b) the proposals submitted by several Member States,

*bearing in mind*

~~a) the increasing demands and necessary preparatory work to be carried out by Member States, Sector Members, the General Secretariat and the Sectors of the Union before each session of a conference or assembly, conferences, assemblies, and forums of the Union;~~

~~b) that scheduling the Council earlier in the calendar year improves the linkage between the strategic, financial and operational plans and the budget and other activities to be carried out by the Council;~~

*noting*

~~a) that the dates for the next Radiocommunication Assembly (RA) have been set for 16-20 January 201226-30 October, 2015, and those for the next World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) for 23 January – 17 February 20122-27 November 2015,~~

~~b) that the external auditor's reports on the Union's finances should normally be available to the Council in due time prior to its sessions;~~

*resolves*

~~1 that ITU conferences and assemblies shall, in principle, be held in the last quarter of the year, and not in the same year<sup>1</sup>, except as provided in recalling b) above;~~

~~2 that Plenipotentiary conferences shall, unless there is a pressing need otherwise, be limited to a duration of three weeks,~~

~~3 that ITU exhibitions, forums, high level events, and symposiums of a worldwide character shall be scheduled within the allocated resources in the Financial Plan and Biennial Budget;~~

~~14 that the schedule of future conferences, assemblies and forums council sessions for the years 2011-20142015-2019 shall be as follows:~~

~~1.14.1 World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA): November 2012 Council shall, in principle, hold its ordinary session within or around June-July of the calendar year;~~

~~1.24.2 World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT): November 2012 World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA) shall be held in the last quarter of 2016;~~

~~14.3 World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC): March-April 2014 shall be held in November-December of 2017 and every 4 years hereafter in the last quarter of the year;~~

~~14.4 Plenipotentiary Conference (PP-1418): to shall be held in Korea (Republic of) the United Arab Emirates in the last quarter of 2018;~~

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<sup>1</sup> Apart from world conferences on international telecommunications.

4.5 Radiocommunication Assembly (RA) and World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) shall be held in 2019;

25 that the agendas of world and regional conferences shall be established in accordance with the relevant provisions of the ITU Convention and the agendas of assemblies shall be established, as appropriate, taking into account the resolutions and recommendations of the relevant conferences and assemblies;

3(ii)6 that the dates and duration given in *noting* above for WRC-~~12-15~~, for which the agenda which was further modified during the 2014 Plenipotentiary Conference to include Global Flight Tracking, has been established and approved, must not be modified;

(ii)7 that the conferences and assemblies mentioned in *resolves* ~~1-4~~ should be held within the periods indicated there, that the precise dates and places, ~~where not already decided,~~ will be set by the ITU Council after consultation of the Member States, leaving sufficient time between the various conferences, and that the precise duration shall be decided by the Council after their agendas have been established.

*instructs the Secretary-General*

1 to take appropriate measures to facilitate the most efficient use of time and resources during such conferences;

2 to report to the Council on the implementation of this resolution, proposing further improvements, as appropriate,

*instructs the Council*

1 at each ordinary session, to schedule the next three ordinary sessions in June-July and to review it on a rolling basis;

2 to take appropriate measures to facilitate the implementation of this resolution and report to future plenipotentiary conferences on possible improvements in the implementation of this resolution.

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