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PROPOSALS FOR THE WORK OF THE CONFERENCE

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DRAFT NEW RESOLUTION [CLM-1]

**Extension of the deadline for bringing into operation of the Colombian satellite system "SATCOL" at orbital positions 70.9° West, 38° West and 131° West**

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union (Busan, 2014),  
*considering*

- a)* that No. 196 of the ITU Constitution provides 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-07) of the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC), on due diligence in applying the principles embodied in the Constitution, identified the need to consider and review possible draft recommendations and draft provisions linking the formal notification, coordination and registration procedures with the principles contained in Article 44 of the Constitution and No. 03 of the Preamble to the Radio Regulations, on the rational, efficient and economical use of radio frequencies and any associated orbits, including the geostationary-satellite orbit, in conformity with the provisions of the Radio Regulations, taking into account the special needs of the developing countries and the geographical situation of particular countries;
- c)* that the Administration of Colombia has worked unceasingly for over two decades in an effort to have a satellite system to serve as a tool for its social and economic development;

d) that, in accordance with the international regulations in force, the Administration of Colombia has followed all the processes for operation of its orbit-spectrum resource at orbital positions 70.9° West, 38° West and 131° West, with the following characteristics:

	<b>SATCOL 1B (FSS)</b>	<b>SATCOL 1P (FSS)</b>	<b>SATCOL 1Q (FSS)</b>
<b>Orbital position</b>	70.9° W	38° W	131° W
<b>Coverage</b>	CLM	Region 2	Region 2
<b>Bands</b>	Ka (1/2)	C, X, Ku, Ka	C, X, Ku, Ka
<b>API date</b>	21/12/2007	06/02/2009	06/02/2009
<b>CR date</b>	30/09/2010	24/12/2010	02/02/2011
<b>Expiry date</b>	21/12/2014	05/02/2016	05/02/2016

e) that the Administration of Colombia carried out a competitive tender process with a view to acquiring a satellite of its own in 2010, but that no tender was awarded;

f) that in order to satisfy the country's connectivity needs, the Administration of Colombia deployed a national fibre-optic network connecting 96 per cent of the country's municipalities with broadband;

g) that despite the deployment of the national fibre-optic network, there are areas of Colombian territory which, owing to their geographical location, have no connectivity or Internet access, and for which satellites are the only access option,

*resolves*

1 to extend the deadline for implementation of the SATCOL satellite system at orbital positions 70.9° West, 38° West and 131° West, until the 2015 WRC adopts appropriate provisions regarding the right of the Administration of Colombia to access the geostationary orbit under equitable conditions;

2 to communicate this resolution to the Radio Regulations Board in order that the provisions laid down in the Radio Regulations should not be brought into effect until the date indicated in *resolves* 1 above.

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