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in the African Broadcasting Area to abrogate the
Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) (AF+) (Geneva, 1989)**

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INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION
RAC OF THE MEMBERS OF THE UNION IN
THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA TO
ABROGATE THE REGIONAL AGREEMENT FOR
THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA
Geneva, December 1989

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PLENARY MEETING

Note by the Secretary-General

AGENDA OF THE CONFERENCE

The agenda of the Conference is contained in Resolution No. 967
(amended) adopted by the Administrative Council.

The text of this Resolution is attached for ease of reference.

R.E. BUTLER
Secretary-General

Annex : 1



A N N E X

R No. 967 REGIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE UNION IN
(amended) THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA TO ABROGATE THE REGIONAL AGREEMENT FOR
THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA (GENEVA, 1963)

The Administrative Council,

considering

- a) that the Second Session of the Regional Administrative Conference for the Planning of VHF/UHF Broadcasting in the African Area and Neighbouring Countries shall draw up an Agreement and associated frequency Plan for use by television broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and in neighbouring countries in the VHF/UHF frequency bands;
- b) that from the date of entry into force of the Agreement and associated frequency Plan referred to in a) above, there would be incompatibilities between the latter Agreement and Plan and the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) and that it is accordingly intended to abrogate the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) and to replace it by the Agreement and associated frequency Plan referred to in a) above;
- c) that Article 7 of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) stipulates that no revision of the Agreement shall be undertaken except by an administrative conference of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area convened in accordance with the procedure laid down in the International Telecommunication Convention;
- d) that certain parts of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) relating to the VHF/FM sound broadcasting stations have already been abrogated in the Geneva 1985 Regional Agreement adopted by the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area;
- e) that, under the programme of conferences and meetings for 1988 and 1989 as revised and adopted by the Administrative Council at its 41st session, the Second Session of the Regional Administrative Conference for the Planning of VHF/UHF Television Broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and Neighbouring Countries should be held during the second half of 1989,

considering further the results of the consultations conducted by letter DM-1685 of 8 July 1987 and by telegram on 24 June 1988,

resolves that a Regional Administrative Conference of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area shall be convened on 4 and 5 December 1989 during the Second Session of the Regional Administrative Conference for the Planning of VHF/UHF Television Broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and Neighbouring Countries, with the following agenda :

to abrogate the parts of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) which are still in force and relate to television broadcasting,

instructs the Secretary-General to make all necessary arrangements for the convening of this Conference.



PLENARY MEETING

Note by the Secretary-General

CREDENTIALS OF DELEGATIONS

1. Under Article 67 of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi, 1982, the delegation sent by a Member of the Union to a conference shall be duly accredited in accordance with Nos. 381 to 387 of the Convention.
2. For ease of reference, I hereby transmit to the Conference the text of the aforesaid Article 67 (see Annex).

R.E. BUTLER
Secretary-General

Annex : 1

A N N E X

ARTICLE 67

Credentials for Delegations to Conferences

- 380 1. The delegation sent by a Member of the Union to a conference shall be duly accredited in accordance with Nos. 381 to 387.
- 381 2. (1) Accreditation of delegations to Plenipotentiary Conferences shall be by means of instruments signed by the Head of State, by the Head of the Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 382 (2) Accreditation of delegations to administrative conferences shall be by means of instruments signed by the Head of State, by the Head of the Government, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or by the Minister responsible for questions dealt with during the conference.
- 383 (3) Subject to confirmation prior to the signature of the Final Acts, by one of the authorities mentioned in Nos. 381 or 382, delegations may be provisionally accredited by the Head of the diplomatic mission of the country concerned to the government of the country in which the conference is held. In the case of a conference held in the country of the seat of the Union, a delegation may also be provisionally accredited by the Head of the Permanent Delegation of the country concerned to the United Nations Office at Geneva.
- 384 3. Credentials shall be accepted if they are signed by the appropriate authority mentioned under Nos. 381 to 383, and fulfil one of the following criteria:
- 385 — they confer full powers;
- 386 — they authorize the delegation to represent its government, without restrictions;
- 387 — they give the delegation, or certain members thereof, the right to sign the Final Acts.
- 388 4. (1) A delegation whose credentials are found to be in order by the Plenary Meeting shall be entitled to exercise the right to vote of the Member concerned and to sign the Final Acts.
- 389 (2) A delegation whose credentials are found not to be in order by the Plenary Meeting shall not be entitled to exercise the right to vote or to sign the Final Acts until the situation has been rectified.

- 390 5. Credentials shall be deposited with the secretariat of the conference as early as possible. A special committee as described in No. 471 shall be entrusted with the verification thereof and shall report on its conclusions to the Plenary Meeting within the time specified by the latter. Pending the decision of the Plenary Meeting thereon, a delegation of a Member of the Union shall be entitled to participate in the conference and to exercise the right to vote of the Member concerned.
- 391 6. As a general rule, Members of the Union should endeavour to send their own delegations to conferences of the Union. However, if a Member is unable, for exceptional reasons, to send its own delegation, it may give the delegation of another Member powers to vote and sign on its behalf. Such powers must be conveyed by means of an instrument signed by one of the authorities mentioned in Nos. 381 or 382.
- 392 7. A delegation with the right to vote may give to another delegation with the right to vote a mandate to exercise its vote at one or more meetings at which it is unable to be present. In such a case it shall, in good time, notify the Chairman of the conference in writing.
- 393 8. A delegation may not exercise more than one proxy vote.
- 394 9. Credentials and the transfer of powers sent by telegram shall not be accepted. Nevertheless, replies sent by telegram to requests by the Chairman or the secretariat of the conference for clarification of credentials shall be accepted.



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Geneva, December 1989

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Note by the Secretary-General

DRAFT PROTOCOL

In the absence of any proposals from Members belonging to the African Broadcasting Area, I have the honour to submit to the Conference the attached draft text for the Protocol abrogating the parts still in force of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) prepared by the General Secretariat after consultation with the IFRB.

Pekka TARJANNE
Secretary-General

Annex: 1

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PROTOCOL ABROGATING THE PARTS STILL IN FORCE OF
THE REGIONAL AGREEMENT
FOR THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA (Geneva, 1963)

PREAMBLE

The undersigned Delegates of the Administrations of:

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meeting in Geneva for a Regional Administrative Conference of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area, convened in conformity with Article 63 in connection with Article 62 of the International Telecommunication Convention (Nairobi, 1982),

mindful of Article 7 of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963),

recalling Resolution No. 5 of the Regional Administrative Conference for the Planning of the VHF Sound Broadcasting (Region 1 and Part of Region 3) (Geneva, 1984) and the subsequent Protocol - signed at Geneva on 13 August 1985 and having entered into force on 1 July 1987 - Amending the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963),

having taken into account Resolution No. 967 of the Administrative Council of the International Telecommunication Union, entitled "Regional Administrative Conference of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area To Abrogate the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963)",

have adopted, subject to the approval of their Administrations, the following provisions relating to the abrogation of the parts still in force of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) and contained in the present Protocol.

ARTICLE 1

Definitions

For the purposes of the present Protocol, the following terms shall have the meanings defined below:

- 1.1 Union: The International Telecommunication Union.
- 1.2 Secretary-General: The Secretary-General of the Union.
- 1.3 Convention: The International Telecommunication Convention (Nairobi, 1982).
- 1.4 Radio Regulations: The Radio Regulations (Geneva, 1979) as revised and actually in force.
- 1.5 African Broadcasting Area: The area designated as such in Nos. 400 to 403 of the Radio Regulations, i.e.:
 - a) African countries, parts of countries, territories and groups of territories situated between the parallels 40° South and 30° North;
 - b) islands in the Indian Ocean west of meridian 60° East of Greenwich, situated between the parallel 40° South and the great circle arc joining the points 45° East, 11°30' North and 60° East, 15° North;
 - c) islands in the Atlantic Ocean east of line B defined in Nos. 398 of these Regulations, situated between the parallels 40° South and 30° North.

1.6 Agreement (1963): The Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) concerning the use of frequencies by the broadcasting service in the very high frequency and ultra high frequency bands.

1.7 Amending Protocol (1985): The Protocol amending the Agreement (1963) by abrogating certain parts thereof.

1.8 This Protocol: The present Protocol abrogating the parts still in force of the Agreement (1963).

1.9 Regional Agreement (1989):
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1.10 Administration: Any governmental department or service responsible for discharging the obligations undertaken in the Convention and the Regulations.

ARTICLE 2

Abrogation of the parts still in force of the Agreement (1963)

This Protocol shall abrogate the parts of the Agreement (1963), which are actually still in force because of their having not yet been abrogated by the Amending Protocol (1985).

ARTICLE 3

Entry into force of this Protocol

This Protocol shall enter into force on, at 0001 UTC, i.e. the date of the entry into force of the Regional Agreement (1989).

ARTICLE 4

Approval of this Protocol

4.1 Any Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area who is a Party to the Agreement (1963) and a signatory of this Protocol shall notify his approval of the latter, as soon as possible and, at any rate, prior to its entry into force (. , at 0001 UTC), to the Secretary-General, who shall at once inform the other Members of the Union of any such approval.

4.2 Any other Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area signatory of this Protocol may notify his approval of the latter to the Secretary-General, who shall at once inform the other Members of the Union of any such approval.

ARTICLE 5

Accession to this Protocol

5.1 Any Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area who is a Party to the Agreement (1963), but not a signatory of this Protocol, is invited to accede to the latter as soon as possible and to deposit, at any rate prior to the entry into force of this Protocol (. , at 0001 UTC), an instrument of accession with the Secretary-General, who shall at once inform the other Members of the Union of any such accession.

5.2 Accession to this Protocol shall be made without reservation and shall become effective on the date on which the instrument of accession is received by the Secretary-General.

ARTICLE 6

Approval of or accession to the Agreement 1963

Any Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area approving or acceding to the Agreement (1963) after the adoption of this Protocol shall be considered as also approving or acceding to this Protocol.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Delegates of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area mentioned below have, on behalf of the competent authorities of their respective countries, signed this Protocol in a single copy in the Arabic, English, French and Spanish languages; in case of dispute, the French text shall be authentic. This copy shall remain deposited in the archives of the Union. The Secretary-General shall forward one certified true copy to each Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area.

Done at Geneva, 5 December 1989.



Note by the Secretary-General

SECRETARIAT OF THE CONFERENCE

Secretary of the Conference	Mr. J. Jipguep Deputy Secretary-General
Executive Secretary	Mr. X. Escofet
Technical Secretary	Mr. M. Ahmad
Administrative Secretary	Mr. J. Escudero
<u>Plenary Meeting</u>	Mr. D. Schuster
<u>Committee 2</u> (Credentials)	Mr. X. Escofet
<u>Committee 3</u> (Budget Control)	Mr. R. Prélaz
<u>Committee 4</u> (Editorial)	Mr. P.A. Traub

These officials will be assisted as necessary by others seconded from ITU Headquarters.

Pekka TARJANNE
Secretary-General



STRUCTURE OF THE
REGIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE UNION
IN THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA
TO ABROGATE THE REGIONAL AGREEMENT FOR THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA
(Geneva, 1963)

(approved at the First Plenary Meeting)

The agenda of the Conference appears in Resolution No. 967 adopted by the Administrative Council at its 42nd Session and amended at its 43rd Session, and is reproduced below.

Agenda of the Conference :

To abrogate the parts of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) which are still in force and relate to television broadcasting.

While the requirements of the Convention must be observed, practical considerations dictate that a relatively simple structure should be adopted for a Conference expected to last only two days. It may be anticipated that most of the business of the Conference will be dealt with in the Plenary Meeting.

Bearing in mind Nos. 464 to 479 inclusive of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi, 1982, the following committees with their terms of reference are suggested.

Committee 1 - Steering Committee

Terms of Reference :

To coordinate all matters connected with the smooth execution of work and to plan the order and number of meetings, avoiding overlapping wherever possible in view of the limited number of members of some delegations (Nos. 468 and 469 of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi, 1982).

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Committee 2 - Credentials Committee

Terms of Reference :

To verify the credentials of delegations and to report on its conclusions to the Plenary Meeting within the time specified by the latter (Nos. 390 and 471 of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi, 1982).

Committee 3 - Budget Control Committee

Terms of Reference :

To determine the organization and the facilities available to the delegates, to examine and approve the accounts of expenditure incurred throughout the duration of the Conference and to report to the Plenary Meeting the estimated total expenditure of the Conference as well as the estimated costs entailed by the execution of the decisions of the Conference (Nos. 476 to 479 inclusive of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi, 1982 and Nairobi Resolution 48).

Committee 4 - Editorial Committee

Terms of Reference :

To perfect the form of the texts to be included in the Final Acts of the Conference, without altering the sense, for submission to the Plenary Meeting (Nos. 473 and 474 of the International Telecommunication Convention, Nairobi, 1982).

Pekka TARJANNE
Secretary-General



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Geneva, December 1989

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PLENARY MEETING

Note by the Secretary-General

ABROGATION OF THE PARTS OF
AGREEMENT FOR THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA (GENEVA, 1963)
WHICH ARE STILL IN FORCE AND RELATE TO TV BROADCASTING

I have the honour to transmit herewith to the Conference the annexed note by the IFRB on Abrogation of the parts of Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) which are still in force and relate to TV broadcasting.

Pekka TARJANNE
Secretary-General

Annex: 1

ANNEX

ABROGATION OF THE PARTS OF
AGREEMENT FOR THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA (GENEVA, 1963)
WHICH ARE STILL IN FORCE AND RELATE TO TV BROADCASTING

1. The Regional Administrative Conference of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area to abrogate the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) is being convened on 4 and 5 December 1989 with the agenda:

to abrogate the parts of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) which are still in force and relate to television broadcasting.

This abrogation becomes necessary in view of the anticipated Agreement and associated frequency Plan which is to be drawn up by the second session of the Regional Administrative Conference for Planning of the VHF/UHF Broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and the Neighbouring Countries.

2. In this connection, it may be pointed out that the upper frequency limit for which the Plan will be drawn up in 862 MHz, whereas the Agreement to be abrogated contains frequency assignments, for the African Broadcasting Area, covering the frequency spectrum up to 960 MHz.

3. In Region 1, the band 862 - 960 MHz is allocated to broadcasting only in the African Broadcasting Area excluding Algeria, Egypt, Libya and Morocco. No. 703 of the Radio Regulations, however, places the condition that the use of this band by stations in the broadcasting service "shall be in accordance with the Final Acts of the African VHF/UHF Broadcasting Conference, Geneva, 1963". This means that after the entry into force of the protocol abrogating the parts still in force of the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1963, the band 862 - 960 MHz would remain allocated as provided for in the first sentence of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations, but stations of the broadcasting service operating therein could not be operated any more in accordance with what is now stipulated in the second sentence of that No. 703.

4. The conference being convened to abrogate the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1963, may have to consider this situation and take appropriate action, possibly by adopting a Resolution, in addition to the protocol of abrogation, requesting a future WARC to modify No. 703 of the Radio Regulations by removing the second sentence of this provision.

5. The conference being convened for abrogation of the presently in force provisions of the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1963 is requested to consider the matter.

Note - There are at present no broadcasting assignments in the band 862 - 960 MHz on the MIFR for any administration of Members in the African Broadcasting Area.



PLENARY MEETING

Note by the Secretary-General

LOSS OF THE RIGHT TO VOTE

Under the Nairobi Convention, 1982, a Member loses its right to vote:

- a) For a non signatory Government, if it has not yet acceded to the Convention or, for a signatory Government, if it has not deposited an instrument of ratification at the end of a period of two years from the date of entry into force of the Convention;
- b) When it is in arrears in its payments to the Union for so long as the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contribution due from it for the preceding two years (see No. 117 of the Convention).

At present, for one or other of the above reasons and until such time as the situation is rectified, the following 9 Members do not have the right to vote:

Country (in French alphabetical order)	R = has not ratified) (A = has not acceded to) the Convention	In arrears in the payment of contributions
COMOROS (Islamic Federal Rep. of the)	A	-
GUINEA-BISSAU (Republic of)	A	x
EQUATORIAL GUINEA (Republic of)	-	x
LIBYA (Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya)	-	x
MAURITANIA (Islamic Republic of)	-	x
UGANDA (Republic of)	R	x
SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE (Democratic Republic of)	-	x
SIERRA LEONE	-	x
SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC	-	x

Pekka TARJANNE
Secretary-General



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Geneva, December 1989

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PLENARY MEETING

Note by the Secretary-General

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION

As a follow-up to the contents of Document 1006, I have the honour to submit for consideration by the Conference the attached text for a draft Recommendation, entitled "Revision of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations", jointly prepared by the IFRB and the General Secretariat.

Pekka TARJANNE
Secretary-General

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DRAFT

RECOMMENDATION No. []

Revision of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations

The Regional Administrative Conference (Geneva, 1989) of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area to abrogate the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963),

considering

a) that the Second Session of the Regional Administrative Conference for the Planning of VHF/UHF Television Broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and Neighbouring Countries, meeting concurrently with the present Conference, is finalizing its work for drawing up an Agreement and associated Plan (Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989) in the bands:

47 - 68 MHz
174 - 230 MHz
230 - 238 MHz and 246 - 254 MHz
470 - 790 MHz
790 - 862 MHz

for use by television broadcasting;

b) that from the date of its entry into force, the Agreement mentioned in considering a) will in fact replace, as far as television broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area is concerned, the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1963;

c) that the parts of the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1963, relating to the VHF/UHF sound broadcasting stations were abrogated by the 1985 Geneva Protocol amending that Agreement, that Protocol having entered into force on 1 July, 1987;

d) that this Conference has abrogated, by the Protocol it has adopted, the remaining parts of the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1963, which are still in force and relate to television broadcasting;

e) that that abrogation of those remaining parts of the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1963, will become effective on ..., at 0001 UTC, i.e. the date when the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989, and the Protocol referred to in considering d) above shall enter into force,

noting

1. that the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989, does not contain provisions for the use of the band 862 - 960 MHz, allocated to the broadcasting service in the African Broadcasting Area excluding Algeria, Egypt, Libya and Morocco, in accordance with the first sentence of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations;

2. that, in accordance with the second sentence of the same No. 703, the operation of stations of the broadcasting service, in the area mentioned in noting 1) above, "shall be in accordance with the Final Acts of the African VHF/UHF Broadcasting Conference, Geneva, 1963", which provide for the operation of television stations in the band 862 - 960 MHz,

thus realizing

that with the abrogation of the Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1963, by the Protocol referred to in considering d) and e) above, the band 862 - 960 MHz could no longer be used in accordance with the second sentence of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations, by stations of the television broadcasting service in the countries to which it is allocated,

recommends

that a future competent World Administrative Radio Conference take the necessary action to modify No. 703 of the Radio Regulations, e.g. by deleting the second sentence thereof,

requests

the Administrative Council to take the necessary steps to place on the agenda of a future competent WARC the revision of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations, which will take account of the contents of the present Recommendation.



CONFERENCE CHAIRMANSHIPS

(as established by the First Plenary Meeting)

- Chairman of the Conference : Mr. Ahmed TOUMI (Morocco)
- Vice-Chairmen of the Conference : Mr. David E. MORDI (Nigeria)
Mr. Joseph BOYKOTA-ZOUKETIA (Central African Republic)
Mr. Gessese ABAI (Ethiopia)
Mr. Benjamin RAKOTOARIVELO (Madagascar)
- Committee 1
(Steering) : (composed of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Conference and of the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the other Committees)
- Committee 2
(Credentials) : Chairman : Mr. Barthelemy AGNAN (Benin)
Vice-Chairman : Mr. Habuji SOSOME (Botswana)
- Committee 3
(Budget Control) : Chairman : Mr. Abdoh FAYOUMI (Egypt)
Vice-Chairman : Mr. Assumani BIZIMANA (Rwanda)
- Committee 4
(Editorial) : Chairman : Mr. Alain SCHLATTER (France)
Vice-Chairmen : Mr. Carlos L. CRESPO MARTINEZ (Spain)
Mr. Julius HOFF (Liberia)
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NOTE DU PRESIDENT DE LA COMMISSION 2 (POUVOIRS)
 NOTE BY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE 2 (CREDENTIALS)
 NOTA DEL PRESIDENTE DE LA COMISION 2 (CREDENCIALES)

1. Pouvoirs examinés et reconnus en règle par le Groupe de travail de la Commission pendant sa séance du 4 décembre 1989 (14 h 30).
Credentials examined and found to be in order by the Working Group of the Committee during its meeting on 4 December 1989 (1430 hrs).
 Credenciales examinadas y reconocidas en regla por el Grupo de Trabajo de la Comisión en la sesión celebrada el 4 de diciembre de 1989 (14.30 horas).

(Par ordre alphabétique français)
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 Ethiopie / Ethiopia / Etiopía
 France / France / Francia
 Gabon / Gabon / Gabón
 Ghana / Ghana / Ghana
 Kenya / Kenya / Kenya
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 Mali / Mali / Malí
 Maroc / Morocco / Marruecos
 Maurice / Maurice / Mauricio
 Mozambique / Mozambique / Mozambique
 Nigéria / Nigeria / Nigeria
 Sénégal / Senegal / Senegal
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2. Délégations enregistrées qui n'ont pas déposé de pouvoirs
Delegations registered which have not deposited credentials
Delegaciones registradas en la Conferencia que no han presentado
credenciales

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Mauritanie / Mauritania / Mauritania
Niger / Niger / Niger
Ouganda / Uganda / Uganda
Rwanda / Rwanda / Rwanda
Togo / Togo / Togo

3. Délégations de la Zone africaine non enregistrées à la Conférence
Delegations of the African Area not registered at the Conference
Delegaciones de la Zona africana no inscritas en la Conferencia

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B. AGNAN
Président de la Commission 2



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Geneva, December 1989

Corrigendum 1 to
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PLENARY MEETING

AMENDMENTS TO THE REPORT OF COMMITTEE 2
TO THE PLENARY MEETING

(CREDENTIALS)

The following changes should be made in the annex to Document 1011 :

- section 1; insert "Mauritanie/Mauritania/Mauritania"
- section 2, delete "Mauritanie/Mauritania/Mauritania"

B. AGNAN
Chairman of Committee 2



PLENARY MEETING

REPORT OF COMMITTEE 2 TO THE PLENARY MEETING

(CREDENTIALS)

In accordance with its terms of reference set out in Document 1005 the Committee has verified the credentials deposited by the delegations, pursuant to the provisions of Article 67 of the Nairobi Convention (1982).

The Committee's findings are contained in the Annex hereto and are submitted to the Plenary Meeting for approval.

B. AGNAN
Chairman of Committee 2

Annex : 1

ANNEXE - ANNEX - ANEXO

1. Pouvoirs reconnus en règle (les délégations de ces pays sont habilitées à signer les Actes finals)
Credentials found to be in order (the delegations of these countries are entitled to sign the Final Acts)
Credenciales reconocidas en regla (las Delegaciones de estos países pueden firmar las Actas Finales)

Algérie / Algeria / Argelia
Bénin / Benin / Benin
Burkina Faso / Burkina Faso / Burkina Faso
Cameroun / Cameroon / Camerún
Congo / Congo / Congo
Côte d'Ivoire / Côte d'Ivoire / Côte d'Ivoire
Egypte / Egypt / Egipto
Espagne / Spain / España
Ethiopie / Ethiopia / Etiopía
France / France / Francia
Gabon / Gabon / Gabón
Ghana / Ghana / Ghana
Kenya / Kenya / Kenya
Libéria / Liberia / Liberia
Libye / Libya / Libia
Madagascar / Madagascar / Madagascar
Mali / Mali / Malí
Maroc / Morocco / Marruecos
Maurice / Maurice / Mauricio
Mozambique / Mozambique / Mozambique
Nigéria / Nigeria / Nigeria
Sénégal / Senegal / Senegal
Swaziland / Swaziland / Swazilandia
Tchad / Chad / Chad
Zambie / Zambia / Zambia
Zimbabwe / Zimbabwe / Zimbabwe

2. Délégations enregistrées qui n'ont pas déposé de pouvoirs (les délégations de ces pays ne sont pas habilitées à signer les Actes finals)
Delegations registered which have not deposited credentials (the delegations of these countries are not entitled to sign the Final Acts)
Delegaciones registradas en la Conferencia que no han presentado credenciales (las Delegaciones de estos países no estan facultadas para firmar las Acts Finales)

Botswana / Botswana / Botswana
Centrafricaine (Rép.) / Central African Republic / Centroafricana (Rep.)
Djibouti / Djibouti / Djibouti
Malawi / Malawi / Malawi
Mauritanie / Mauritania / Mauritania
Niger / Niger / Niger
Ouganda / Uganda / Uganda
Rwanda / Rwanda / Rwanda
Togo / Togo / Togo

Pour information - For information - Para información

3. Délégations de la Zone africaine non enregistrées á la Conférence
Delegations of the African Area not registered at the Conference
Delegaciones de la Zona africana no inscritas en la Conferencia

Angola / Angola / Angola
Burundi / Burundi / Burundi
Cap-Vert / Cape Verde / Cabo Verde
Comores / Comoros / Comoras
Gambie / Gambia / Gambia
Guinée / Guinea / Guinea
Guinée-Bissau / Guinea-Bissau / Guinea-Bissau
Guinée équatoriale / Equatorial Guinea / Guinea Ecuatorial
Lesotho / Lesotho / Lesotho
Namibie / Namibia / Namibia
Royaume-Uni / United Kingdom / Reino Unido
Sao Tomé-et-Principe / Sao Tome and Principe / Santo Tomé y Príncipe
Sierra Leone / Sierra Leone / Sierra Leona
Somalie / Somalia / Somalia
Soudan / Sudan / Sudán
Tanzanie / Tanzania / Tanzania
Yémen (R.d.p. du)) / Yemen (P.D.R. of) / Yemen (R.D.P. del)
Zaïre / Zaire / Zaire



INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION
RAC OF THE MEMBERS OF THE UNION IN
THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA TO
ABROGATE THE REGIONAL AGREEMENT FOR
THE AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA
Geneva, December 1989

Document 1012-E
4 December 1989
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PLENARY MEETING

Report by the Chairman of the Budget Control Committee

No. 476 of the International Telecommunication Convention (Nairobi, 1982) provides that at the opening of each conference or meeting, the Plenary Meeting shall appoint a budget control committee to determine the organization and the facilities available to the delegates, and to examine and approve the accounts for expenditure incurred throughout the duration of the conference or meeting.

The organization and the facilities available to the AFBC Conference as well as to this Conference have already been examined by the Budget Control Committee of the AFBC Conference, which had no comment to make.

With regard to the accounts, the Administrative Council considered that the additional cost entailed by this Conference negligible in relation to the cost of the AFBC Conference and therefore decided to charge the additional expenditure for this Conference to the accounts of the AFBC Conference.

The Plenary Meeting is requested to take note of this report.

Chairman of Committee 3
Abdoh FAYOUMI



B.1

PLENARY MEETING

FIRST SERIES OF TEXTS SUBMITTED BY THE
EDITORIAL COMMITTEE TO THE PLENARY MEETING

The following texts are submitted to the Plenary Meeting for first reading:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Title</u>
SG	1003	Protocol
SG	1008	Recommendation

A. SCHLATTER
Chairman of Committee 6

Annex: 5 pages

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PROTOCOL ABROGATING THOSE PARTS OF THE REGIONAL AGREEMENT FOR THE
AFRICAN BROADCASTING AREA WHICH ARE STILL IN FORCE (Geneva, 1963)

PREAMBLE

The undersigned Delegates of the Administrations of:

[list of countries]

meeting in Geneva for a Regional Administrative Conference of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area, convened in conformity with Article 63 in connection with Article 62 of the International Telecommunication Convention (Nairobi, 1982),

mindful of Article 7 of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963),

recalling Resolution No. 5 of the Regional Administrative Conference for the Planning of VHF Sound Broadcasting (Region 1 and Part of Region 3) (Geneva, 1984) and the subsequent Protocol - which was signed at Geneva on 13 August 1985 and entered into force on 1 July 1987 - Amending the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963),

taking into account Resolution No. 967 of the Administrative Council of the International Telecommunication Union, entitled "Regional Administrative Conference of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area To Abrogate the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963)",

have adopted, subject to the approval of their Administrations, the following provisions which relate to the abrogation of those parts of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) still in force and which are contained in this Protocol.

ARTICLE 1

Definitions

For the purposes of this Protocol, the following terms shall have the meanings defined below:

1.1 Union: The International Telecommunication Union.

1.2 Secretary-General: The Secretary-General of the Union.

- 1.3 **Convention:** The International Telecommunication Convention (Nairobi, 1982).
- 1.4 **Radio Regulations:** The Radio Regulations in force at the time of signing of this Protocol.
- 1.5 **African Broadcasting Area:** The area designated as such in Nos. 400 to 403 of the Radio Regulations, i.e.:
- a) African countries, parts of countries, territories and groups of territories situated between the parallels 40° South and 30° North;
 - b) islands in the Indian Ocean west of meridian 60° East of Greenwich, situated between the parallel 40° South and the great circle arc joining the points 45° East, 11°30' North and 60° East, 15° North;
 - c) islands in the Atlantic Ocean east of line B defined in No. 398 of the Radio Regulations, situated between the parallels 40° South and 30° North.
- 1.6 **Agreement (1963):** The Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) concerning the use of frequencies by the broadcasting service in the very high frequency and ultra high frequency bands.
- 1.7 **Amending Protocol (1985):** The Protocol amending the Agreement (1963) by abrogating certain parts thereof.
- 1.8 **This Protocol:** The present Protocol abrogating those parts of the Agreement (1963) which are still in force.
- 1.9 **Regional Agreement (1989):** Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1989) concerning the planning of VHF/UHF television broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and neighbouring countries.
- 1.10 **Administration:** Any governmental department or service responsible for discharging the obligations undertaken in the Convention and the Regulations.

ARTICLE 2

Abrogation of those parts of the Agreement (1963) which are still in force

This Protocol shall abrogate those parts of the Agreement (1963) which are still in force because they were not abrogated by the Amending Protocol (1985).

ARTICLE 3

Entry into Force of this Protocol

This Protocol shall enter into force on . . * . . , at 0001 hours UTC, i.e. the date of the entry into force of the Regional Agreement (1989).

* **Note** - The AF+ Conference entrusts the General Secretariat with the task of inserting the exact date of entry into force of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1989), to be decided by the AFBC(2) Conference.

ARTICLE 4

Approval of this Protocol

4.1 Any Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area which is a Party to the Agreement (1963) and a signatory of this Protocol shall notify its approval of the latter to the Secretary-General as soon as possible and at any rate prior to the entry into force of this Protocol. The Secretary-General shall at once inform the other Members of the Union.

4.2 Any other Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area signatory of this Protocol may notify its approval of the latter to the Secretary-General, who shall at once inform the other Members of the Union.

ARTICLE 5

Accession to this Protocol

5.1 Any Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area which is a Party to the Agreement (1963) but not a signatory of this Protocol is invited to accede to the latter as soon as possible and to deposit, at any rate prior to the entry into force of this Protocol, an instrument of accession with the Secretary-General, who shall at once inform the other Members of the Union.

5.2 Accession to this Protocol shall be made without reservation and shall become effective on the date on which the instrument of accession is received by the Secretary-General.

ARTICLE 6

Approval of or Accession to the Agreement (1963)

Any Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area which approves or accedes to the Agreement (1963) after the adoption of this Protocol shall be considered as also having approved or acceded to this Protocol.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Delegates of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area mentioned below have, on behalf of the competent authorities of their respective countries, signed this Protocol in a single copy in the Arabic, English, French and Spanish languages; in case of dispute, the French text shall be authentic. This copy shall remain deposited in the archives of the Union. The Secretary-General shall forward one certified true copy to each Member of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area.

Done at Geneva, 5 December 1989.

RECOMMENDATION

Revision of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations

The Regional Administrative Conference (Geneva, 1989) of the Members of the Union in the African Broadcasting Area to Abrogate the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963),

considering

a) that the Second Session of the Regional Administrative Conference for the Planning of VHF/UHF Television Broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area and Neighbouring Countries, meeting concurrently with the present Conference, is finalizing an Agreement and an associated Plan (Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989) in the bands:

47 - 68 MHz
 174 - 230 MHz*
 [230 - 238 MHz and 246 - 254 MHz]**
 470 - 790 MHz
 790 - 862 MHz

for use by television broadcasting;

b) that from the date of its entry into force, the Agreement referred to in considering a) will in fact replace, as far as television broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area is concerned, the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963);

c) that the parts of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) relating to VHF/UHF sound broadcasting stations were abrogated by the Protocol (Geneva, 1985) amending that Agreement, that Protocol having entered into force on 1 July 1987;

d) that this Conference is abrogating, by the Protocol it is adopting, the remaining parts of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) which are still in force and relate to television broadcasting;

e) that the abrogation of those remaining parts of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) will become effective on ***, at 0001 hours UTC, i.e. the date on which the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1989) and the Protocol referred to in considering d) above enter into force,

* [162/170] - 230 MHz for the Kingdom of Morocco, in accordance with No. 615 of the Radio Regulations.

** See No. 635 of the Radio Regulations.

*** Note - The AF+ Conference entrusts the General Secretariat with the task of inserting the exact date of entry into force of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1989), to be decided by the AFBC(2) Conference.

noting

1. that the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1989) does not contain provisions for the use of the band 862 - 960 MHz, allocated to the broadcasting service in the African Broadcasting Area excluding Algeria, Egypt, Libya and Morocco, in accordance with the first sentence of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations;
2. that, in accordance with the second sentence of the same No. 703, the operation of stations of the broadcasting service, in the area referred to in noting 1) above, "shall be in accordance with the Final Acts of the African VHF/UHF Broadcasting Conference (Geneva, 1963)", which provide for the operation of television stations in the band 862 - 960 MHz,

thus realizing

that with the abrogation of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963), by the Protocol referred to in considering d) and e) above, the band 862 - 960 MHz may no longer be used in accordance with the second sentence of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations by stations of the television broadcasting service in the countries to which it is allocated,

recommends

that a future competent world administrative radio conference should take the necessary action to modify No. 703 of the Radio Regulations, for example by deleting the second sentence thereof,

requests

the Administrative Council to take the necessary steps to place on the agenda of a future competent world administrative radio conference the revision of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations, having regard to the contents of the present Recommendation.



PLENARY MEETING

MINUTES

OF THE

FIRST PLENARY MEETING

Monday, 4 December 1989, at 0935 hrs

Chairman: Mr. K. GNASSOUNOU-AKPA (Togolese Republic),
Dean of the Conference later:
Mr. A. TOUMI (Kingdom of Morocco)

Subjects discussed:

Documents

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| 2. | Election of the Chairman of the Conference | - |
| 3. | Election of the Vice-Chairmen of the Conference | - |
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| 5. | Structure of the Conference | DT/1 |
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| 8. | Date by which the Credentials Committee must submit its conclusions | - |
| 9. | Consideration of the draft protocol | 1003 |
| 10. | Abrogation of the parts of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) which are still in force and relate to television broadcasting | 1006 |
| 11. | Consideration of the draft Recommendation | 1008 |

1. Opening of the meeting

The Dean of the Conference (Mr. K. Gnassounou-Akpa) declared the meeting open.

2. Election of the Chairman of the Conference

2.1 The Deputy Secretary-General said that, following the meeting of Heads of Delegations, it was proposed to elect Mr. A. Toumi (Kingdom of Morocco) as Chairman of the Conference.

It was so decided.

2.2 The Dean of the Conference, speaking as Acting Chairman, congratulated Mr. Toumi on his election and invited him to take the chair.

Mr. Toumi took the chair.

2.3 The Chairman gave the address reproduced in Annex 1.

2.4 The delegate of Senegal expressed his Delegation's satisfaction at Mr. Toumi's election, both because of his personal qualities and because of the important role played by Morocco in the world, particularly Africa. With Mr. Toumi in the chair, the Conference would be conducting its business in the best possible conditions.

2.5 The Chairman thanked the delegate of Senegal and stressed the importance of television network development in the African continent.

3. Election of the Vice-Chairmen of the Conference

3.1 The Deputy Secretary-General announced that, following the meeting of Heads of Delegations, it had been proposed to appoint four Vice-Chairmen, namely, Mr. D. Mordi (Nigeria), Mr. J. Boykota-Zoukeia (Central African Republic), Mr. G. Abai (Ethiopia) and Mr. B. Rakoto Arielo (Madagascar).

It was so decided.

4. Address by the Deputy Secretary-General

4.1 The Deputy Secretary-General delivered the address reproduced in Annex 2.

5. Structure of the Conference (Document DT/1)

5.1 The Deputy Secretary-General introduced Document DT/1, in which a simplified structure was proposed, namely, a Steering Committee, a Credentials Committee, a Budget Control Committee and an Editorial Committee.

The proposed structure was adopted.

6. Election of the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the Committees

6.1 The Deputy Secretary-General said that, following the meeting of Heads of Delegations, it had been proposed to elect the following Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen:

Committee 1 (Steering Committee)

Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Conference and of the Committees.

Committee 2 (Credentials)

Chairman: Mr. B. Agnan (Benin)

Vice-Chairman: Mr. H. Sosome (Botswana)

Committee 3 (Budget Control)

Chairman: Mr. A. Fayoumi (Egypt)

Vice-Chairman: Mr. A. Bizimana (Rwanda)

Committee 4 (Editorial Committee)

Chairman: Mr. A. Schlatter (France)

Vice-Chairmen: Mr. C.L. Crespo Martinez (Spain)

Mr. J.F. Hoff (Liberia)

It was so decided.

7. Composition of the Conference Secretariat

7.1 The Deputy Secretary-General informed delegates that the Conference Secretariat would be made up of the following officials:

Secretary of the Conference	Mr. J. Jipguep
	Deputy Secretary-General
Executive Secretary	Mr. X. Escofet
Technical Secretary	Mr. M. Ahmad
Administrative Secretary	Mr. J. Escudero
<u>Plenary Meeting</u>	Mr. D. Schuster
<u>Committee 2</u> (Credentials)	Mr. X. Escofet
<u>Committee 3</u> (Budget Control)	Mr. R. Prélaz
<u>Committee 4</u> (Editorial)	Mr. P.A. Traub

The composition of the Conference Secretariat was noted.

8. Date by which the Credentials Committee must submit its conclusions

8.1 The Deputy Secretary-General said that the Credentials Committee could submit its conclusions before the signature of the Final Acts of the Conference on the afternoon of Tuesday, 5 December.

It was so decided.

9. Consideration of the draft Protocol (Document 1003)

9.1 The Deputy Secretary-General observed that no contributions had been received from Members on that agenda item. The Secretary-General, after consultation with the IFRB as the organ of the Union responsible for applying the Agreement, had therefore drawn up a draft Protocol abrogating those parts of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) which were still in force.

9.2 The Chairman invited delegates to consider the draft Protocol article by article.

Title: Approved.

Preamble: Approved.

Article 1 (Definitions)

9.3 The delegate of Algeria, supported by the delegates of Mali and the Congo, proposed that the words "(Geneva, 1979) as revised and" should be deleted from the definition of the Radio Regulations.

9.4 The delegate of Swaziland, supported by the delegates of Côte d'Ivoire, Zimbabwe and Libya, suggested that the wording used should be the same as in paragraph 1.6 of Document DT/10 of the AFBC(2) Conference.

9.5 The Legal Adviser observed that the text of paragraph 1.6 of Document DT/10 contained material that was irrelevant to the Conference, the sole aim of which was to abrogate the parts of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) which were still in force. He suggested that the following wording be used: "The Radio Regulations in force at the time of signing of this Protocol". The delegates of Nigeria, Algeria and Kenya supported that suggestion.

9.6 The Chairman asked the delegate of Swaziland if he could accept that wording.

9.7 Following explanations by the Deputy Secretary-General, the delegate of Swaziland said that he would not press his proposal.

9.8 Referring to paragraph 1.7, the delegate of France proposed that the word "présent" should be deleted from the first line of the French-language version, since it was superfluous.

It was so agreed.

Article 1 was approved.

Article 2: Approved

Article 3

9.9 The Deputy Secretary-General said that the date of entry into force of the Protocol still had to be set. The Legal Adviser drew attention to a problem that might arise: if the exact date was not known at the time the Final Acts of the Conference were signed the following afternoon, provision would have to be made to

instruct the Secretary-General to insert the date adopted by the AFBC(2) Conference for the entry into force of the Regional Agreement (1989). Such arrangements had already been made in similar cases in the past.

It was so decided.

Article 3 was approved.

Article 4: Approved with the same comment as for Article 3.

Article 5: Approved with the same comment as for Article 3.

Article 6: Approved.

The draft Protocol (Document 1003) was approved for transmittal to the Editorial Committee.

10. Abrogation of the parts of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area (Geneva, 1963) which are still in force and relate to television broadcasting (Document 1006)

10.1 The representative of the IFRB (Mr. Bellchambers), introducing Document 1006, emphasized that the upper frequency limit for which the Plan would be drawn up had been set at 862 MHz, whereas the Agreement (Geneva, 1963) to be abrogated contained frequency assignments for the African Broadcasting Area of up to 960 MHz. In Region 1, the band 862 - 960 MHz was allocated to broadcasting in the African Broadcasting Area excluding Algeria, Egypt, Libya and Morocco. However, No. 703 of the Radio Regulations stipulated that the use of that band by stations in the broadcasting service was to be in accordance with the Final Acts of the 1963 Geneva Conference. After the entry into force of the Protocol abrogating the parts of the Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1963) still in force, therefore, the band 862 - 960 MHz would remain allocated to broadcasting, except in the four countries already mentioned, but it would no longer be possible to use stations of the broadcasting service operating in that band as stipulated in the second sentence of No. 703. It was therefore proposed in the document that a Resolution should be adopted supplementing the Protocol of abrogation and requesting a future WARC to delete the second sentence of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations.

There being no comment, Document 1006 was approved.

11. Consideration of the draft Recommendation (Document 1008)

11.1 The Legal Adviser drew attention to three corrections to be made to the French text: 1) in the third line on the first page, "numéro 103" should be replaced by "numéro 703"; 2) in the third line on page 3, "sera" should be replaced by "doit être"; 3) on page 3, in the third line under "recommande", "notamment" should be replaced by "par exemple" in order to align the text with the English-language version.

considering a)

11.2 The delegate of Zimbabwe proposed that the word "Radio" should be inserted before the word "Conference" in the first line and that the references to bands 230 - 238 MHz and 246 - 254 MHz should be placed within square brackets pending the decision to be adopted by the AFBC(2) Conference.

11.3 The delegate of Algeria considered that if the word "Radio" were inserted, the same change would have to be made in all the texts of the Conference.

11.4 The delegate of Morocco observed that the bands used for television broadcasting in his country started at 170 MHz. He therefore requested that the reference to the bands 174 - 230 MHz should be accompanied by a footnote stating that those bands were used in accordance with No. 615 of the Radio Regulations.

11.5 The representative of the IFRB (Mr. Bellchambers) said that, as he understood it, the band 170 - 174 MHz was not mentioned in the list of bands to be planned. Morocco could no doubt use that band, but he would none the less welcome some additional information.

11.6 The delegate of Morocco replied that the use of the band in question had been coordinated with neighbouring countries, at his country's request.

11.7 The delegate of Algeria observed that some of the bands listed in considering a) were allocated to only a small number of countries, a fact which should be made clear by means of a footnote. It was stated in Article 8 of the Radio Regulations that only some countries used additional allocations, and the countries in question should be listed.

11.8 The delegate of Côte d'Ivoire observed that the band in question was not on the agenda of the AFBC(2) Conference and that, according to the work done in Committee 5 of the AFBC(2) Conference (Document 91), planning was being carried out in the bands 174 - 230 MHz, 230 - 238 MHz and 246 - 254 MHz. It would be a departure from the provisions of the AFBC(2) Conference to refer to the band 170 - 174 MHz at the present Conference.

11.9 The representative of the IFRB (Mr. Bellchambers) fully endorsed the view expressed by the delegate of Côte d'Ivoire and considered that the addition proposed by the Moroccan delegate should not be made to considering a).

11.10 The delegate of Morocco emphasized that the Plan would mention the band 170 - 174 MHz and that the allocation of frequencies in that band had been coordinated with the neighbouring countries. There would therefore be a discrepancy between the terms of the 1963 Agreement and the contents of the Plan, and he considered that Morocco's use of the additional allocation pursuant to No. 615 of the Radio Regulations should be mentioned.

11.11 The representative of the IFRB (Mr. Bellchambers) observed that the proposal by the delegate of Morocco would have no effect on the Recommendation in the document under consideration, whatever the decision adopted by the AFBC(2) Conference.

Following those explanations, it was decided to include the footnote proposed by the Moroccan delegate in the draft Recommendation.

considering b)

11.12 The delegate of Algeria requested the addition of a statement to the effect that the bands 230 - 238 MHz and 246 - 254 MHz concerned only a certain number of countries. On the other hand, he would not press for the inclusion of the word "Radio" before the word "Conference", and he expressed the hope that the delegate of Zimbabwe would withdraw his proposal.

11.13 The Deputy Secretary-General said that, following discussions in Committee 4, the AFBC(2) Conference had decided to add the word "Radio" before the word "Conference".

11.14 The Legal Adviser observed that the addition of the word "Radio" would cause difficulties in that the whole of a text which had already been printed would need to be amended accordingly. The word "broadcasting" in considering a) made it perfectly clear that radiocommunication was involved.

11.15 The delegate of Côte d'Ivoire proposed that the Secretary-General should be instructed to insert the appropriate term which would be adopted by the Conference.

11.16 The delegate of Swaziland, who had taken part in the work of the AFBC(2) Conference's Committee 5, where it had been decided to include the word "Radio", was sympathetic to the points raised by the delegate of Algeria and the Legal Adviser, but supported the proposal by the delegate of Côte d'Ivoire that the Secretary-General should be asked to insert the appropriate term, as adopted by the Conference, in the document.

11.17 The delegate of Kenya said that he fully agreed with the addition of the word "Radio" but could also support the proposal by the delegate of Côte d'Ivoire.

The proposal by the delegate of Côte d'Ivoire, supported by the delegates of Swaziland and Kenya, was adopted.

considerings c), d) and e) were approved.

Paragraph 1 was approved.

11.18 Paragraph 2 was approved subject to amendments proposed to the French-language version by the Legal Adviser.

The thus realizing paragraph was approved.

The recommends paragraph was approved, subject to amendments proposed to the French-language version by the Legal Adviser.

The requests paragraph was approved.

The draft Recommendation (Document 1008), as amended, was approved for transmittal to the Editorial Committee.

The meeting rose at 1130 hours.

The Deputy Secretary-General:

J. JIPGUEP

The Chairman:

A. TOUMI

Annexes: 2

ANNEX 1

Address by the Chairman

Mr. Secretary-General,
Mr. Deputy Secretary-General,
Mr. Chairman of the International Frequency Registration Board,
Distinguished Dean of the Conference,
Your Excellencies,
Distinguished delegates,

I should like first of all, on behalf of the Government of my country, Morocco, to thank all delegations for the confidence they have shown in me by electing me Chairman of this Conference. I can assure you that I am ready to do my utmost to make it a success.

Distinguished delegates,

On 23 May 1963, just over a quarter of a century ago, representatives of African States meeting at the ITU concluded their first agreement on television services in Africa. This instrument served as the legal and technical basis for the establishment of African television networks.

History tells us that this treaty was adopted just after most African States had become independent. This was no historical accident: by drawing up this instrument, the African States wanted to show the world how very much aware they were of the great political and cultural stakes involved in the future of broadcasting. Does not this means of direct communication with the population represent for the young African States an effective tool for promoting national unity and cultural identity, without which no economic and social development can be envisaged?

The African States, in their eagerness to take full advantage of the benefits of television, have set up - collectively or in groups - regional and international organizations for the development of broadcasting, or have joined existing ones. URTNA, ASBU and EBU are merely a few examples.

Thus, throughout this quarter of a century, television networks have grown up, serving bigger and bigger populations and wider and wider areas. The statistics of the ITU and other organizations are there to prove it.

With the passage of time, this expansion of television networks has come up against various shortcomings in the Geneva Agreement (1963): the frequency channel distribution and the technical criteria underlying the associated Plan no longer meet operating needs.

All in all, the Geneva Agreement has become out of date, both historically and technically. The need to arrive at a new Agreement, making better provision for the geographical facts and technical innovations and taking due account of the present and future requirements of countries in the African Broadcasting Area, has become more and more pressing.

A number of ITU Conferences have therefore turned their attention to the matter:

- the 1979 WARC decided that the Agreement should be revised;
- the 1982 and 1984 RARCs abrogated the parts concerning sound broadcasting;
- the 1986 Nairobi RARC adopted planning principles and technical criteria for a new agreement on television,
- and so we come to the present Conference.

Distinguished delegates,

When I spoke a moment ago about future requirements, I meant that destiny had once again given us a rendezvous with history. Holding this Conference on the eve of the 1990s means that we are going to be preparing over the next ten years for the year 2000, a milestone representing for the so-called countries of the North the introduction of direct satellite television, cable television and high definition television, whereas for many of our so-called countries of the South, it is still a challenge to get a programme covering the whole country.

Distinguished delegates,

I should like to hope that over the years ahead our countries will achieve the objective of full coverage of their territories so that television can play its role in providing education, information and entertainment and become a genuine mass medium serving economic and social development and promoting peace and understanding in the world.

I wish the Conference every success in its work.

ANNEX 2

Address by the Deputy Secretary General

Mr. Chairman,

Allow me to congratulate you, Mr. Ahmed Toumi on your election as Chairman of this short but important meeting of the Members of the Union belonging to the African Broadcasting Area.

Distinguished delegates,

I wish to welcome you all to this Regional Administrative Radio Conference to abrogate the parts of the Regional Agreement for the African Broadcasting Area which relate to television broadcasting and are still in force.

This Conference (AF+) has been convened in compliance with the request of the Members concerned, and in accordance with the procedure set up in Resolution No. 967 approved by the Administrative Council at its 42nd session in 1987. The agenda contained therein was established on the basis of Recommendation No. 2 adopted by the First Session of the Regional Administrative Conference AFBC(1), Nairobi, 1986.

The Second Session of this Regional Administrative Conference, AFBC(2), which started its work on 13 November here in Geneva, is about coming to its end. It is currently in the process of drawing up the new Frequency Assignment Plan for television broadcasting for the Members of the African Broadcasting Area, as well as neighbouring countries as specified in Resolution No. 968 of the Administrative Council, also approved in 1987. The work on this new Plan and Associated Agreement is supposed to be completed at the end of this week according to the schedule of the Conference.

Mr. Chairman,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

With this background, I wish to invite your attention to our agenda for the abrogation of the Regional Agreement of Geneva of 1963, which will be replaced by a new Agreement and Associated Frequency Assignment Plan for television broadcasting, which the AFBC Conference will shortly draw up. I am confident that you will complete your task with success, in accordance with the procedure laid down in the ITU Convention.

The Secretariat will be at your disposal to provide whatever assistance you may require. On behalf of my colleagues and myself, I wish you every success in your work.



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CREDENTIALS
COMMITTEE

SUMMARY RECORD
OF THE
FIRST MEETING OF COMMITTEE 2
(CREDENTIALS)

Monday, 4 December 1989, at 1400 hrs

Chairman: Mr. B. AGNAN (Benin)

Subject discussed:

Documents

1. Terms of reference of the Committee
2. Organization of work
3. Other business

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1. Terms of reference of the Committee (Document 1005)

The Committee took note of its terms of reference as set out in Document 1005.

2. Organization of work

2.1 The Chairman suggested that the Committee should set up a Working Group consisting of the Chairman (Benin) and the Vice-Chairman (Botswana), which would meet at the end of the present meeting to consider the credentials received by the Secretariat and to prepare a report for submission directly to the Plenary Meeting of the Conference the following afternoon, prior to the signature of the Final Acts.

It was so agreed.

3. Other business

3.1 The Secretary informed the meeting that 26 of the 35 registered delegations had submitted their credentials.

The meeting rose at 1405 hours.

The Secretary:

X. ESCOFET

The Chairman:

B. AGNAN



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BUDGET CONTROL
COMMITTEE

SUMMARY RECORD
OF THE
FIRST MEETING OF COMMITTEE 3
(BUDGET CONTROL)

Monday, 4 December 1989, at 1430 hours

Chairman: Mr. A. FAYOUMI (Egypt)

Subjects discussed:

1. Terms of reference of the Committee and facilities available to the delegates
2. Draft report by the Chairman of the Budget Control Committee

Documents

1005

DT/3

1. Terms of reference of the Committee and facilities available to the delegates
(Document 1005)

The Committee took note of its terms of reference as set out in Document 1005.

2. Draft report by the Chairman of the Budget Control Committee (Document DT/3)

2.1 The Secretary observed that the facilities for the AF+ Conference had already been examined by the Budget Control Committee set up for the AFBC(2) Conference, since it had been decided that the cost of the AF+ Conference would be charged to the accounts of the AFBC Conference. The present Budget Control Committee, which had been set up as a pure formality, therefore had no specific report to submit.

The Conference was therefore requested to take note of the report of the Chairman of the Budget Control Committee.

The Committee adopted Document DT/3.

The meeting rose at 1435 hours.

The Secretary:

R. PRELAZ

The Chairman:

A. FAYOUMI



PLENARY MEETING

MINUTES
OF THE
SECOND PLENARY MEETING

Tuesday, 5 December 1989, at 0910 hours

Chairman: Mr. A. TOUMI (Kingdom of Morocco)

Subjects discussed:

Documents

1. Documents submitted by the Editorial Committee
for first and second reading

1013

1. Documents submitted by the Editorial Committee for first and second reading
(Document 1013)

First reading

Draft Protocol

Title

1.1 The Chairman of the Editorial Committee said that the words "Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1989)" should be added above the title.

1.2 The Legal Adviser said that adding the words "Regional Agreement (Geneva, 1989)" above the title could give rise to confusion, insofar as section 1.9 of Article 1 contained a definition of the term "Regional Agreement (1989)", which referred to another Agreement, namely the one adopted by AFBC(2). In order to avoid any possible confusion, therefore, he suggested that the text to be inserted above the title should read: "Regional Protocol (Geneva, 1989)".

1.3 The Chairman of the Editorial Committee fully agreed with the Legal Adviser, whose proposal could be adopted.

Preamble

The Preamble was approved.

Article 1

1.4 The Chairman of the Editorial Committee pointed out that the words "(Ginebra, 1989)" needed to be inserted after "el Acuerdo regional" in section 1.9 of the Spanish version.

1.5 The delegate of Spain pointed out that section 1.8 of Article 1 gave a definition of This Protocol. If the words "Regional Protocol" were added above the title, the remainder of the text would have to be amended accordingly.

1.6 The Legal Adviser suggested the following amendment: "This Protocol: The present Regional Protocol (Geneva, 1989) abrogating ...".

1.7 The delegate of Algeria said he would prefer the following wording: "This Protocol: The Regional Protocol (Geneva, 1989) abrogating ...".

Article 1 was approved, as amended.

Article 2

Article 2 was approved.

Article 3

1.8 The Chairman of the IFRB said that the date of entry into force of the AFBC(2) Conference would be 1992, with a Resolution providing for provisional application from the date of closure of the AFBC(2) Conference until the date of entry into force of the Agreement. There would thus be two series of provisions in force for some time.

1.9 The Legal Adviser considered that the above situation could give rise to practical problems but would not cause any legal difficulties as regards provisional application of the provisions of AFBC(2) foreseen in the Resolution. Article 3 of the Protocol should thus be retained, since any changes would imply that the 1963 Geneva Agreement was abrogated with immediate effect, which was precluded so long as the delegations were not empowered to that effect. The Plan and the new Agreement would enter into force at the date set by AFBC(2), with the exception of a few Articles whose entry into force would be determined by the Resolution adopted by the Conference.

1.10 The Chairman of the IFRB was of the view that in practice the IFRB would have to interpret the Resolution concerning the provisional application of certain Articles of the AFBC(2) Regional Agreement from the date of closure of the AFBC(2) Conference.

1.11 The Chairman pointed out that there might be some overlap with the 1963 Geneva Agreement, which remained in force until the new Agreement became applicable.

1.12 The delegate of Spain recalled that a similar situation had arisen in 1984; the same criteria could be applied in this case.

1.13 The delegate of Algeria, having regard to the explanations given by the Legal Adviser to the Chairman of the IFRB, wondered whether a similar approach could be adopted as in the Nice 1989 Constitution, i.e. interim arrangements taking account of the modifications foreseen in Resolution No. COM5/2.

1.14 The Legal Adviser said that the two situations were completely different. The interim arrangements in Article 47 related to the period after the entry into force of the Constitution. Entry into force of the Constitution was thus a prior condition. In the present case, it was the opposite situation: the Protocol would not be entering into force until a specified date in the future, whereas the AFBC(2) Agreement would have to be made provisionally applicable at an earlier date. In that context, interim arrangements would therefore be unsuitable. In order to avoid potential practical problems, two solutions could be contemplated. The first would be to adopt a Resolution stating that adoption of the Protocol should in no way prevent the provisional application of certain Articles of the Agreement arising from AFBC(2); that would be superfluous, since the AFBC(2) Conference had already adopted a Resolution to that effect. The second solution would be to record in the minutes of the present meeting, as suggested by the Chairman of the IFRB, that the AF+ Conference recognized that, under the Protocol, the IFRB should not be prevented from acting in compliance with the Agreement arising from AFBC(2) as regards the provisional application thereof.

Article 3 was approved.

Articles 4, 5, 6 and the last paragraph beginning "in witness whereof" were approved.

Draft Recommendation

Title

1.15 The delegate of Côte d'Ivoire, supported by the delegate of Swaziland, recalled that it had been decided to instruct the Secretary-General to insert the title definitively adopted by the AFBC(2) Conference.

1.16 The Chairman said that the title had been accepted in line with the Administrative Council's decision and the Convention. However, to accommodate the wishes of the delegates of Côte d'Ivoire and Swaziland, a footnote could be added requesting the Secretary-General to align the title on the exact wording adopted by AFBC(2).

It was so decided.

The title was approved, subject to the above comments.

Considering a)

1.17 The Chairman of the Editorial Committee recalled that it had been decided at the first Plenary Meeting to place the bands 230 - 238 MHz and 246 - 254 MHz in square brackets, pending the decision concerning their use. The countries entitled to use those frequency bands were listed in No. 635 of the Radio Regulations.

1.18 The delegate of Morocco proposed that the band should be 170 - 230 MHz, and that the asterisk should be deleted, together with the relevant footnote "[162/170] - 230 MHz for the Kingdom of Morocco, in accordance with No. 615 of the Radio Regulations".

1.19 The representative of the IFRB (Mr. Bellchambers) reiterated what he had already stated at the previous meeting, namely that the band 170 - 174 was not covered by planning. The 1963 Agreement only related to the band 174 - 230 MHz. He saw no need for the asterisk or the note. The Conference was dealing solely with the band 174 - 230, and any reference to other bands was outside its terms of reference. There was no need even to refer to the other bands. The note would only cause confusion and in any event fell outside the scope of the agendas of both AFBC(2) and AF+.

1.20 The Chairman of the IFRB said that considering a) was purely factual. It described the task being undertaken by AFBC(2), namely finalizing an Agreement and an associated Plan for certain bands, which included the band 174 - 230 MHz and not the band 170 - 230 MHz.

1.21 The delegate of Swaziland saw no reason to refer to the band 170 - 174 MHz, which was not on the agenda of the AFBC(2) Conference.

1.22 The Legal Adviser pointed out that the purpose of the Recommendation was the revision of No. 703 of the Radio Regulations relating to the band 862 - 960 MHz, while the upper limit set for the AFBC(2) Conference was 862 MHz. There was thus no need to refer to the other frequency bands. He suggested that the last part of considering a) be reworded as follows: "... is finalizing an Agreement and an associated Plan (Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989) in certain specific bands up to the band 790 - 862 MHz used for television broadcasting". Such wording would be consistent with noting 1 and the footnotes could then be deleted.

1.23 The delegate of Zimbabwe, supported by the delegate of Swaziland, considered that there was no problem with the wording of considering a) as it stood. The frequency bands in question were listed in the agenda of the AFBC(2) Conference. Their deletion could give rise to some ambiguity, since not all the frequencies up to 862 MHz were used exclusively for broadcasting; they could also be used, for example, for distress communications. The Legal Adviser's point was covered in noting 1. He requested that the Plenary Meeting of the Conference should mention in a footnote that the Delegation of Zimbabwe had signified its intention to request a competent radio conference to add Zimbabwe in No. 635 of the Radio Regulations.

1.24 The Chairman pointed out in reply that the present Conference was not empowered to request that Zimbabwe be added in No. 635 of the Radio Regulations.

1.25 The delegate of Algeria recalled that the only band referred to in No. 703 of the Radio Regulations was the band 862 - 960 MHz. The list of frequency bands thus added nothing, since it had been decided at Nairobi that the upper limit for television broadcasting would be set at 862 MHz. He proposed that it would be better just to repeat the title of the Conference, as follows: "... (Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989) in the VHF and UHF bands used for television broadcasting". That view was shared by the delegate of France.

1.26 In the opinion of the Chairman, that proposal was along the same lines as the suggestion put forward by the Legal Adviser and in no way affected the interests of the countries listed in Nos. 635 and 615 of the Radio Regulations.

1.27 The delegate of Zimbabwe, supported by the delegate of Swaziland, said that if no reference were made to the frequencies, the agenda would not be complied with as regards utilization of the spectrum. He would prefer the wording of considering a) to be left as it stood.

1.28 The Chairman recalled that the agenda of the AF+ Conference referred to VHF and UHF bands, without specifying them. The present Conference was not obliged to respect the agenda of AFBC(2). To his mind, the problem could be settled by way of the proposals formulated by the Legal Adviser and the delegate of Algeria.

1.29 The delegate of Zambia, supported by the delegates of Kenya and Nigeria, thought that considering a) could be left unchanged and proposed that, if the delegate of Morocco could agree, the footnote with a single asterisk should be deleted, i.e. referring to the band 162 - 170 MHz.

1.30 The delegate of Côte d'Ivoire proposed that the list of frequency bands be deleted and that considering a) be reworded as follows: "... (Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989) in the bands referred to in its agenda"; considering b) would then follow on directly.

1.31 The delegate of Algeria, after reading out No. 703 of the Radio Regulations, pointed out that the list of frequency bands was unrelated to the provisions of No. 703, which only concerned the band 862 - 960 MHz.

1.32 The Chairman of the IFRB said that the point of considering a) was that the AFBC(2) Conference was preparing a Plan not including the band 862 - 960 MHz. He therefore proposed the following wording: "... (Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989) in the frequency bands referred to in its agenda, which do not include the band 862 - 960 MHz".

1.33 The delegate of Zimbabwe, while not formally objecting, thought that it would be unwise to refer to the agenda of the Conference without mentioning the bands concerned. To his mind, it would be sufficient to delete the note concerning the band 162 - 170 MHz.

1.34 The delegate of Spain suggested that the Chairman might appoint a small group comprising delegates with differing views to draft a text for considering a) for the next Plenary Meeting.

1.35 In view of the time limits to be met, the Deputy Secretary-General proposed that the Group should meet immediately to prepare a text for submission to the Plenary Meeting that morning, after a short break.

1.36 The Chairman invited the delegates of Swaziland, Nigeria, Morocco, Zimbabwe, Algeria, Spain and Côte d'Ivoire to get together with the representative of the IFRB and the Legal Adviser in order to prepare a text.

1.37 The Chairman of the IFRB read out the text drafted by the ad hoc Group for considering a): "... an Agreement and an associated Plan (Regional Agreement, Geneva, 1989) for use by television broadcasting in certain frequency bands which do not include the band 862 - 960 MHz".

The text was approved.

1.38 The delegates of Swaziland and Zimbabwe wished it to be recorded in the minutes that their Delegations had agreed to go along with the proposal in a spirit of compromise, since they had had no difficulty with the original wording.

1.39 The Deputy Secretary-General suggested that the draft Recommendation be numbered PL/1.

It was so agreed.

1.40 The Chairman read out the various sections of the Recommendation, pointing out that the two footnotes on page B.1/4 would be deleted, leaving only the note which referred to the Secretary-General.

The draft Recommendation, as amended, was approved on first reading.

Second reading

1.41 After reviewing all the amendments which had been made, the Chairman submitted Document 1013 as a whole for second reading.

Document 1013 was approved on second reading.

The meeting rose at 1125 hours.

The Deputy Secretary-General:

J. JIPGUEP

The Chairman:

A. TOUMI



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PLENARY MEETING

MINUTES
OF THE
THIRD AND LAST PLENARY MEETING

Tuesday, 5 December 1989, at 1540 hours

Chairman: Mr. A. TOUMI (Morocco)

Subjects discussed:

Documents

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| 1. | Report of Committee 2 (Credentials) | 1011 + Corr.1 |
| 2. | Report of Committee 3 (Budget Control) | 1012 |
| 3. | Signing ceremony and closure of the Conference | - |

1. Report of Committee 2 (Credentials) (Document 1011 + Corr.1)

1.1 The Chairman of Committee 2, submitting his report, said that 35 delegations had registered for the Conference and 27 of them, listed in section 1 of Document 1011, had deposited credentials which had been found to be in order and were therefore entitled to sign the Final Acts (see Annex 1).

Eight registered delegations had not deposited credentials and were therefore not entitled to sign the Final Acts.

Furthermore, 18 delegations of the African Area had not registered at the Conference.

The report of Committee 2 was approved.

2. Report of Committee 3 (Budget Control) (Document 1012)

2.1 The Chairman of Committee 3 said that the Budget Control Committee was responsible for approving the organization and the facilities available to the delegates as well as the accounts for expenditure incurred. The Administrative Council had considered that the additional cost entailed by the AF+ Conference was negligible in relation to the cost of the AFBC Conference and had therefore decided to charge the additional expenditure for the former Conference to the accounts of the latter Conference.

The report of Committee 3 was approved.

3. Signing ceremony and closure of the Conference

3.1 The Chairman invited the Executive Secretary (Mr. Escofet) to explain the procedure for signing the Final Acts.

The Final Acts were signed by the 27 countries listed in Annex 1.

3.2 The Chairman thanked delegates for contributing to the successful outcome of the Conference. He was also grateful to the General Secretariat, particularly the Deputy Secretary-General, the Secretary of the Plenary Meetings, the Executive Secretary, the Legal Adviser, the Chairman and members of the IFRB for doing so much to simplify the Conference's task. He thanked all the ITU staff who had worked for the Conference as well as the interpreters.

3.3 The delegate of Cameroon paid a tribute to the Chairman for conducting the Conference to a successful conclusion.

The meeting rose at 1610 hours.

The Deputy Secretary-General:

J. JIPGUEP

The Chairman:

A. TOUMI

Annex: 1

ANNEX 1

List of countries having signed the Final Acts

Algeria
Benin
Burkina Faso
Cameroon
Congo
Côte d'Ivoire
Egypt
Spain
Ethiopia
France
Gabon
Ghana
Kenya
Liberia
Libya
Madagascar
Mali
Morocco
Mauritius
Mauritania
Mozambique
Nigeria
Senegal
Swaziland
Chad
Zambia
Zimbabwe



LISTE DES PARTICIPANTS - LIST OF PARTICIPANTS - LISTA DE PARTICIPANTES

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Members of the African Broadcasting Area -
Miembros de la Zona Africana de Radiodifusión
- II Siège de l'Union - Headquarters of the Union - Sede de la Unión
- III Secrétariat de la Conférence - Secretariat of the Conference - Secretaría de la Conferencia

Symboles utilisés - Symbols used - Símbolos utilizados

- C : Chef de délégation - Head of delegation - Jefe de delegación
- CA : Chef adjoint - Deputy Head - Subjefe
- D : Délégué - Delegate - Delegado
- A : Conseiller - Adviser - Asesor

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