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## Opening of the Vth Plenary Assembly of the CCITT Election of new Director of the Committee

**T**he Vth Plenary Assembly of the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee, attended by 355 participants from 76 countries, opened on 4 December 1972 in Geneva at the Maison des Congrès.

The Assembly elected Mr. Henrik Baczko (Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, People's Republic of Poland) as its Chairman and Messrs. R. T. Black (United States), J. J. Hernández G. (Mexico), Y. Makino (Japan), Mamadou Sow (Mali) and Y. Savitski (USSR) as Vice-Chairmen.

At its morning session on Monday 11 December the Plenary Assembly elected Mr. Raymond Croze (France) to the post of Director of the CCITT.

1949 to 1951 and at Toulouse from 1951 to 1953. From February 1953 to March 1957 he was Engineer-General at the Directorate-General of Telecommunications of the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications from March 1957 to December 1967. From 1941 to 1957 Mr. Croze was lecturer at the *Ecole nationale supérieure des télécommunications*. He is the author of several books on telecommunications. He was State Counsellor in extraordinary service from January 1968 to January 1972.



Mr. H. Baczko, Chairman of the Vth Plenary Assembly of the CCITT, congratulates Mr. Croze (right) on his election as Director of the Committee

Mr. Croze was born on 5 June 1908 at Draguignan, France. A former student of the *Ecole polytechnique* (1928-1930), the *Ecole supérieure d'électricité* (1931-1932) and the *Ecole nationale supérieure des télécommunications* (1932-1933), he was telecommunications engineer at the Long-distance Underground Lines Department of the French P&T Administration from October 1933 to February 1944, when he became Chief Engineer of the Department.

Mr. Croze was Regional Director of Telecommunications at Montpellier from

### International activities

Since 1936 Mr. Croze has taken part in various meetings of CCITT Working Parties, Sub-Committees, Study Groups and Plenary Assemblies and in the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference at Montreux in 1965.

A full report on the results of the CCITT Vth Plenary Assembly will be published in a forthcoming number of the "Journal".

## New Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the IFRB

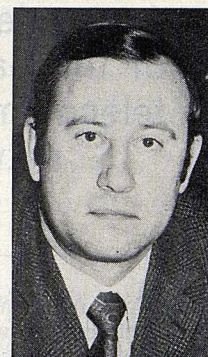
The new Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the International Frequency Registration Board (IFRB) took up their duties on 1 January 1973.

The Chairman is Mr. René Petit, Vice-Chairman in 1972, who succeeds Mr. Fioravanti Dellamulla. The Vice-Chairman is Mr. Alexandre N. Gromov.

Mr. Petit, a former member of the Board re-elected in Montreux, 1965, was born on 19 May 1905 at Clermont-Ferrand (France). He is a former student of the *Ecole polytechnique* and the *Ecole nationale supérieure des télécommunications*, and a graduate engineer in electronics and radio of the *Ecole supérieure d'électricité*. After a career with the French PTT Administration, he became a member of the IFRB in



Mr. R. Petit



Mr. A.N. Gromov

1948. He was Chairman of the IFRB in 1951, 1961 and 1965 and Vice-Chairman in 1950, 1960, 1964 and 1972.

Mr. Gromov, elected to the Board in 1971, was born on 12 January 1935 in Leningrad and is a radiocommunication engineer. From 1963 to 1965 he was scientific collaborator at the Leningrad Scientific Research Institute of Radio Interference and Chief of a section in the same Institute from 1965 to 1968. From 1968 to 1971 he was Chief Inspector, State Inspectorate on Radio Frequencies for the North-Western Area of the USSR (Leningrad).