

INFORMATION SYSTEM ON MOBILE COVERAGE IN THE AMERICAS

The XIV Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee I: Telecommunications,

CONSIDERING:

- a) That in the Declaration of Commitment of Port of Spain of the V Summit of the Americas, held in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, in April 2009, the Heads of State considered that the need to reduce the digital divide in and among the nations of the Americas is one of the conditions required to reach the internationally agreed development objectives; and they renewed their commitment to collaborate with regional, sub-regional, and multinational agencies in order to make progress in developing the information society;
- b) That the Rapporteur's Group on the development of Information and Communications Technologies (ICT) for areas and groups lacking attention o with specific situations has the mandate to gather, study, and hand out information on the best practices and experiences in the region regarding attention provided to indigenous people and communities, disabled people, and areas and groups lacking attention, in order to set out action priorities within the scope of the activities carried out by the Working Group on Development;
- c) That the mandate of the Working Group on Development is to identify specific actions aimed at solving the digital divide and the universal use of the ICT, that facilitate the development of network infrastructure, access to new services, technology transfer and knowledge, particularly for developing countries and primarily taking into account the needs of vulnerable groups and indigenous communities;
- d) That the Regulatory Body of Private Investment in Telecommunications (OSPITEL), the telecommunications regulatory body of the Peruvian Government, has developed the "Mobile Coverage Information System" using Web 2.0 tools, which provides georeferenced information on mobile telephone coverage within Peruvian territory. This tool will be available for users within Peruvian territory;
- e) That said information system is able to effectively disseminate the coverage provided by various mobile phone service companies within the territory of a nation and to allow users to participate by providing relevant information on available services in remote areas;
- f) That the aim of the "Mobile Coverage Information System" is to provide enhanced and on-going supervision and verification of service availability and quality, to promote competition within the sector, the use of mobile services in remote areas, as well as other additional benefits such as its use in emergency situations, and to help boost tourism and trade; all of which are consistent with the objectives of CITEL;
- g) That the implementation of this system will enable users to have visual and interactive information of mobile communication services available in several areas as well as provide the users' insight of said services;
- h) That the Peruvian delegation, through OSIPTEL, has left at the disposal of CITEL the "Mobile Coverage Information System" so that it may be used by those administrations that request to do so,

¹ CCP.I-TEL/doc. 1705/09

RESOLVES:

1. To accept the contribution of the Peruvian Administration of placing at the disposal of the CITEL the “Mobile Coverage Information System,” that can be found in document CCP.I-TEL/doc. 1657/09, so that it may be used by those administrations that request to do so, while indicating that it is a tool has been developed by OSIPTEL.
2. To thank the Peruvian Administration for this highly valuable contribution to all member States.
3. To disseminate the “Mobile Coverage Information System,” through the CITEL’s web page and electronic bulletin, so that all Member States may become familiar and use this system.

INSTRUCTS THE CITEL SECRETARIAT:

1. To send a note thanking the Peruvian Administration for its generous offer.
2. To make the necessary arrangements so that Member States may access the “Mobile Coverage Information System.”