

**CITEL PREPARATIONS FOR THE REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING AND
WORLD TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE (WTDC)
OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

The VI Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee I: Telecommunication Standardization,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT:

- a) That Resolution CITEL/RES. 46 (III-02), adopted at the Third Regular Assembly of CITEL established that the Conference Preparatory Working Group would be responsible for preparatory activities for regional and world telecommunication conferences, with the exception of those addressed within the mandates of the Permanent Consultative Committees, i.e., Radiocommunication and Telecommunication Standardization Conferences and Assemblies;
- b) That accordingly the mandate of the Conference Preparatory Working Group focuses on coordination of regional preparations for the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference and the ITU World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC), to be held in 2006, including the preparation of Inter-American Proposals and common positions;
- c) That the 2004 Session of the ITU Council resolved that the next WTDC would be held in Doha, Qatar, March 7-15, 2006, and
- d) That the Regional Preparatory Meeting for the WTDC will be held August 9-11, 2005, the opening ceremony to be held on August 8, in Lima, Peru, in which connection there is need for the region's countries to determine their regional initiatives and the priorities among them;

CONSIDERING:

- a) That at the V Meeting of the Conference Preparatory Working Group, it was established that there is need for a list of duly prioritized regional initiatives. Owing to ITU financial and human resource limitations in implementing the decisions of the WTDC, this list would be presented initially at the Regional Preparatory Meeting;
- b) That with a view to accomplishing the foregoing, at its XIV Meeting, the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL adopted resolution COM/CITEL RES. 179, in which it resolved to establish a consultation procedure coordinated jointly by the ITU and the Conference Preparatory Working Group, and to establish an Electronic Forum to facilitate the preparations necessary for the Regional Preparatory Meeting and WTDC-2006 itself and, in particular, to conduct consultations on regional initiatives and projects and on draft Inter-American Proposals on topics of interest arising from analysis of the draft agenda for WTDC-2006;
- c) That, to that end, a questionnaire has been developed designed to identify precisely regional priorities. That questionnaire has now been forwarded to Member States, and
- d) That in the above-mentioned resolution, the Member States were asked to identify experts to participate in the Forum to serve as points of contact for the said consultations and to participate in that connection in the development of Inter-American Proposals for presentation at the World Conference,

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EMPHASIZING:

That CITEL's preparations for WTDC-2006 have included due coordination between the Conference Preparatory Working Group and the Permanent Consultative Committees,

ENCOURAGES THE MEMBER STATES:

- a) To designate experts to participate in the Electronic Forum, serving as their respective countries' points of contact with regard to such consultations as may be undertaken regarding regional initiatives and their priorities with a view to the Regional Preparatory Meeting and the WTDC.
- b) To participate actively in duly replying, in time and form, to the questionnaire developed by the ITU Regional Bureau in coordination with the Conference Preparatory Working Group.
- c) To work on the proposal for regional initiatives and priorities with a view to the Regional Preparatory Meeting, and to develop and present proposals on such specific topics as arise from the agenda for WTDC-2006.
- d) To participate in the process of preparing, discussing, reaching consensus, and approving Inter-American Proposals for WTDC-2006.

RESOLVES:

- 1. That topics identified by Member States in the framework of the respective mandates of the different PCC.I working groups be considered by the Conference Preparatory Working Group to develop regional initiatives or projects or even draft Inter-American Proposals during CITEL's preparatory process for the Regional Preparatory Meeting and WTDC-2006, as contained in Annex 1 to this Resolution, be reported to the chair and vice chairs of the Conference Preparatory Working Group.
- 2- That the chairs of the PCC.I working groups serve as the points of contact and coordinators for the development of Inter-American Proposals with the Conference Preparatory Working Group.

INSTRUCTS THE SECRETARIAT OF CITEL:

To assist in implementing operative paragraph 1 of this resolution.

ANNEX TO RESOLUTION PCC.I/RES.79 (VI-05)**IMPACT OF TELECOMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT
ON EMPLOYMENT GENERATION**

Rationale: To promote study of the relationship between progress made in telecommunication services and infrastructure and the employment rate in the sector and equipment industry, particularly in developing countries.