

COM/CITEL RES.22 (III-95)

TELEVISION SERVICES FOR DTH SUBSCRIBERS

The Third Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL (COM/CITEL),

HAVING SEEN:

That in application of Article 3.g of the functions of CITEL as set out in the CITEL Statutes the Commission must study legal problems related to direct transmission via satellite with the purposes set forth in such Item;

The efforts of CITEL to favor and guide the CITEL Member Countries in the establishment of technical and legal standards to govern new telecommunication services,

CONSIDERING:

That some countries in the region have disseminated and promoted several projects involving direct-to-home television services, generally known as DTH services, offered through the utilization of satellites;

That given the technology used, the authorization granted by one country does not prevent, at least from a technical standpoint, providing services in the territory of other countries where a previous and express authorization might be eventually required;

That taking into account the different implications of the implantation of DTH services, it is advisable to recommend the Member Countries of CITEL to consider the likely action to take in such regard,

RESOLVES:

To instruct the Chairman of PCC.II to include the consideration of the captioned issue in the 1996 Working Plan.

RECOMMENDS:

That the Member Countries of CITEL, if deemed advisable, should evaluate the impact of television services for DTH subscribers on their respective laws and adopt a regulatory framework setting out the conditions and way in which DTH services would be authorized within their respective territories.

ENTRUSTS:

The Executive Secretary of CITEL to distribute this Resolution to all Member Countries.