

RESOLUTION PCC.III./RES. 11 (II-95)

CONTINUATION OF THE WORKING GROUPS TASKS ON THE USE OF VERY SMALL APERTURE TERMINAL (VSATs) IN THE AMERICAS

The Second Meeting of Permanent Consultative Committee III: Radiocommunications

CONSIDERING:

1. The report presented by the Working Group on the use of Very Small Aperture Terminals (VSATs) in the Americas;
2. The increased use of VSAT Networks and recent technological developments in this area;
3. That the application of these technologies contributes to regional integration in the Americas;
4. That the VSAT Networks facilitate the development of telecommunication services in rural and isolated areas;
5. That the name given to the Working Group is limited to a specific technology.

RESOLVES:

1. To recommend to Members and Associated Members of PCC-III to promote the development, cooperation and coordination of the VSAT Networks which, by using modern technologies, can satisfy a wide range of telecommunications users and thus facilitate development and integration in the Americas.
2. To change the name of this Working Group to that of networks and Services that use Small Aperture Terminals, to adapt and extend its mandate.
3. That the Working Group on networks and Services that use Small Aperture Terminals continues the analysis and compilation of information relative to the use of VSAT Terminals and distributes it to the Members and Associated Members.
4. That the Working Group on networks and Services that use Small Aperture Terminals should also take into account the terms of reference suggested in Annex 1 which forms part of this Resolution.

URGES:

CITEL Member Countries to look into the possibility of adapting their regulatory frameworks, including the interconnection criteria for the VSAT Networks, with the object of contributing to a greater regional integration.

ANNEX 1

**TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE
WORKING GROUP ON "NETWORKS AND SERVICES
THAT USE SMALL APERTURE TERMINALS"**

1. The Working Group will be responsible for providing and disseminating detailed information about the use of VSAT terminals among the CITEL Member Countries.
2. To create a document updating procedure for the countries in the region which includes, among other things:
 - a. Technical norms
 - b. Regulatory framework
 - c. Interconnection criteria
 - d. Networks in operation
3. To ask the administrations of the countries in the region to forward to the Group as soon as possible information relative to:
 - a. Regulatory framework, including interconnection criteria,
 - b. Standardization technique,
 - c. Networks in operation, including technical characteristics, approximate number of stations, etc.