

PCC.III/RES. 88 (XIII-99)¹

PROCEDURE FOR PCC.III REPRESENTATION IN THE WORKING GROUPS OF OTHER REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SHARING THE PROGRESS OF COMMON PROPOSALS IN PREPARATION FOR THE ITU'S WORLD RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCES (WRCS)

The Thirteenth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee III: Radiocommunications,

CONSIDERING:

- a) That the management of the radioelectric spectrum has become an increasingly important regulated function because radio frequencies continue to be a limited resource;
- b) That the new mobile and fixed, or low mobility technologies, such as local wireless access and the constellations of low and medium orbit satellites, are being increasingly applied as regional or regulated frequency assignments;
- c) That CITEL, through PCC.III, has done an excellent job at the regional level of preparing common proposals, to be presented at ITU' WRCs, for regulating the radioelectric spectrum;
- d) That WRC-97 adopted Resolution 72 addressing the need for the regional harmonization of common proposals, and
- e) That the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998) adopted Resolution COM 5-1 which resolved to encourage both informal and formal collaboration in the interval between radio conferences;

ACKNOWLEDGING:

- a) That PCC.III has a working group for the preparation of CITEL's common proposals to the ITU' WRCs;
- b) That the sharing of experiences with regional proposals for the allocation of frequency bands to radiocommunications services has intensified during recent years among various regional organizations, and
- c) That there has been an increase in the number of invitations extended by regional organizations to PCC.III representatives, asking them to participate in their radiocommunications working meetings to present the progress of CITEL's common proposals,

¹ Reference document: PCC.III/doc.1430/99 Corr.1

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT:

- a) **That CITEL's Regulations provide in Article 93, section 10: "PCCs are allowed to change and adapt their work methods to most efficiently meet the needs of their members, provided they do not infringe the provisions of the CITEL Statute and Regulations.";**
- b) That there is a need to create a procedure for PCC.III representatives to officially attend the meetings of working groups of other regional organizations so as to disseminate the progress of CITEL's common proposals and also to learn of the progress of other regions' common proposals in order to inform and up-date the other PCC.III members and associate members;
- c) That this sharing of proposals will enrich the work done in the Working Group in its preparation of common proposals for WRCs which, in turn, will allow CITEL to strengthen its regional strategy to one of international scope;
- d) That the Chairperson of the PCC.III submitted the Resolution PCC.III/RES. 81 (XII/99) to be analyzed by the Steering Committee of CITEL which concluded that the aforementioned resolution is not in accordance with the terms of Article 17h) of the Statutes of CITEL and it was decided to send it to the Department of Legal Services of OAS for its revision.
- e) That the Director of the Department of Legal Services of OAS sent a memorandum to the Acting Executive Secretary of CITEL in which he submits an analysis on resolutions PCC.III/RES.81(XII/99) and PCC.II/RES.25 (V-99) pointing out that there are some dispositions in the resolution that do not adjust from the legal point of view, to what is established by the Statute and Regulations of CITEL and should therefore be modified.
- f) That the procedure for the Representation of PCC.III in the Working Groups of other Regional organizations in order to exchange information on the progress of common proposals in the preparation for World Radiocommunication Conferences (WRCs) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) has been modified taking into account the remarks made by the aforementioned Department.

RESOLVES:

1. Supersede resolution PCC.III/RES.81(XII-99).
2. To adopt the new procedure outlined in detail in the attachment to this Resolution.

INSTRUCTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT:

1. To distribute this resolution and its attachment to the CITEL Member States and the associate members of PCC.III, pointing out that the procedures have been modified taking into account the remarks made by the Department of Legal Services of OAS.
2. To send a communication to the Chairman and Secretariat of other regional organizations to inform them of these new procedures and to provide them with the schedule of CITEL PCC.III meetings.

3. To extend an invitation to other regional organizations to participate in the PCC.III meetings in order to facilitate the exchange of regional views and positions.
4. To send this resolution to COM/CITEL for their consideration.

ANNEX

PROCEDURE FOR PCC.III REPRESENTATION IN THE WORKING GROUPS OF OTHER REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SHARING THE PROGRESS OF COMMON PROPOSALS IN PREPARATION FOR THE ITU's WORLD RADIOCOMMUNICATION CONFERENCES

RECEIVING THE INVITATION

1. The Chairperson of PCC.III shall forward to the Chair of COM CITEL and the Executive Secretariat of CITEL any formal invitation received from regional organizations to attend meetings of their radiocommunications working groups.

INFORMING MEMBER COUNTRIES AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF THE INVITATION

2. Within five (5) days from receipt of the invitation, the Executive Secretariat shall send a communication, signed by the PCC.III Chairperson, to the PCC.III Member States and associate member contacts (whose contributions are up-to-date), informing them of the invitation and the place, date and agenda of the meeting. In his communication, the PCC.III Chairperson shall request the contacts send him by a given date the name(s) of anyone who may be interested in attending the meeting.
3. Within five (5) days from receipt of the notices from the PCC.III Member States and associate members, the Executive Secretariat shall send a communication signed by the PCC.III Chairperson to the regional organization that extended the invitation with the name(s) of the person(s) who shall be attending the meeting on behalf of PCC.III. A copy of that communication shall be sent to the PCC.III representative attendees.

WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE

4. It is understood that the PCC.III representative attends the meeting on behalf of PCC.III.
5. Representation must always include at least one representative of a Member State.
6. If there is no representative to attend the meeting above mentioned, the Executive Secretariat shall inform the regional organization in writing that no representative will be attending representing PCC.III
7. PCC.III may be represented by :
 - a) Chair of PCC.III
 - b) ViceChair of PCC.III
 - c) Chair of the Working Group for the preparation for WRCs

- d) ViceChair of the Working Group for the preparation for WRCs
 - e) Coordinators, rapporteurs and delegates identified by CITEL Member States, that have been identified by the Member States of CITEL in consultation with the Chairperson of PCC.III and the Chairman of the Working Group for the preparation of WRCs
8. In order not to create an imbalance in the meetings of the working groups of other regional organizations, the Chair of PCC.III shall carefully consider the number of representatives attending, taking into account the topics to be covered and the organization and structure of the work being undertaken in the PCC.III Working Group for the preparation for WRCs..

REPRESENTATIVE[S]'S OBLIGATIONS

9. Taking into account the topics to be considered by the meeting of the regional organization that is inviting PCC.III as well as the organization and structure of the work being undertaken in the Working Group preparing for WRCs, the PCC.III Chair consulting the Chair of the Working Group for the preparation for WRCs, will determine which representative of a Member State of the delegation who attends representing PCC.III, as identified in 8 above, may act as a spokesperson and present a report on the progress of CITEL's common proposals.
10. The representative(s) shall also report to the following PCC.III meeting on the activities that occurred during the regional meeting. Furthermore, the report(s) shall be one of the documents to the PCC.III meeting and will be posted on the CITEL website.