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4 in accordance with Resolution **95 (Rev.WRC‑19)**, to review the Resolutions and Recommendations of previous conferences with a view to their possible revision, replacement or abrogation;

Part 1: Revision of Resolution 804 (Rev.WRC-19)

Introduction

CEPT supports the adoption by WRC-23 of a guidance for the development of new Resolutions associated with related WRC agenda items. Such guidance is proposed to be provided as a new Annex to Resolution **804 (Rev.WRC-19)** on principles for establishing agendas for World Radiocommunication Conferences.

A Guidance for the development of WRC agenda item Resolutions would offer several benefits to the ITU Membership:

1. Developing Resolutions for WRC agenda items following a guidance will
   * focus the work, avoid lengthy discussions on the structure of WRC agenda item Resolutions,
   * help identifying key elements and include them in the relevant part of the Resolutions,
   * facilitate broader understanding of a proposed WRC agenda item submitted for adoption under agenda item 10.
2. Resolutions for WRC agenda items will have a common structure which will enhance the chance for:
   * a common understanding, and avoidance of ambiguity, of the tasks to be performed during the study period,
   * facilitating consensus by focusing on the substantial issues in particular frequency bands to be investigated and some specifics of the task to be outlined.

When developing this guidance, CEPT considered that a clear and concise approach is essential so as to maximize chances for the guidance to gain broad acceptance from the ITU Membership. For this proposed guidance, CEPT assumed the general matter of a newcomer to be introduced in a band with an existing allocation situation. Limited "options" are suggested in the guidance, with the understanding that when developing a Resolution for a WRC agenda item, it should still be possible for a contributing party to deviate from this guidance so as to address other situations, e.g. more regulatory consideration to address changes to an Appendix of the Radio Regulations (RR) or the RR itself, proposed new definitions etc.

Among specific matters of interest, CEPT considers that it should not be attempted to list in related Resolutions all existing services that may be affected by a WRC agenda item, as this essentially requires to duplicate provisions from the RR, whereas the RR applies by themselves.

The preamble part (*considering*, *noting*, *recognizing*) of a Resolution provides background information and relevant references. The operative part (*resolves*, *instructs*, *invites*) contains the information on actions to be taken.

More specifically, the purpose of the preamble part under proposed model is given as follows:

* *considering*: to qualify the demand under consideration,
* *noting*: to provide factual ITU regulatory information of relevance for the topic,
* *recognizing*: to set a framework for studies/future use, through recognizing some assumptions or objectives (e.g. achieve protection of…) for the studies to be performed by the ITU-R.

For the *resolves to invite ITU-R to complete in time for the subsequent WRC*, some standard language is proposed so as to qualify the invitation towards ITU-R to perform studies:

1. on spectrum requirements, and
2. sharing and compatibility studies (to be adapted to the specific context).

Finally, in the section relating to the *resolves to invite the subsequent WRC*, the proposed guidance (model) recommends to express the desired objective of the relevant agenda item in concise and unambiguous wording and that the same wording shall be used in the corresponding section of the Resolution containing the agenda of WRC.

Proposals

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RESOLUTION 804 (REV.WRC‑23)

Principles for establishing agendas for world radiocommunication conferences

The World Radiocommunication Conference (Dubai, 2023),

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invites administrations

1 to use the guidance in Annex 2 to this Resolution when developing a Resolution related to an agenda item of future WRCs;

2 to use the template in Annex 3 to this Resolution in proposing agenda items for WRCs;

3 to participate in regional activities for the preparation of future WRC agendas.

ANNEX 1 TO RESOLUTION 804 (Rev.WRC‑23)

Principles for establishing agendas for world radiocommunication conferences

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ANNEX 2 TO RESOLUTION 804 (Rev.WRC‑23)

Guidance for the development of Resolutions related to agenda items of WRCs

A proposed Resolution related to agenda items of WRCs should contain the following sections and avoid ambiguous language.

* Preambles – informative part
  + *considering*
  + *noting*
  + *recognizing*
* Actions/Tasks – operative part
  + *resolves to invite ITU-R to complete in time for WRC-ZZ*
  + *resolves to invite the WRC-ZZ*
  + *instructs*
  + *invites*

Further, repetitions between the different sections within the Resolution shall be reduced to a minimum, references to existing provisions of the Radio Regulations (RR) and/or other sections of the Resolution shall be used to the extent possible.

The attached guidance in form of a draft new Resolution provides an example addressing the possible introduction of a new service into an existing allocation situation with various types of incumbents. In order to address different situations, variations from the guidance should be considered.

Conventional language and structure to be taken into account when determining study tasks that the ITU-R is invited to perform is presented. It is anticipated that the Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) should consider that all the services to which the related frequency bands, or parts thereof, including adjacent frequency bands, are allocated on a primary basis, are concerned and therefore allow related ITU-R Working Parties to contribute to the studies. Variations for the determination of study tasks relating for example to passive services, secondary services, specific conditions of use as outlined in footnotes to the Table of Allocation and/or designation of specific frequency bands for specific applications should be considered. The responsible CPM may further rely on the assistance of the BR, when determining responsible and contributing groups related to the relevant scope of studies.

Below, for each section, brief guidance is provided within {}, as necessary.

Draft new Resolution [A10-Y.YY] (WRC-ZZ)

Title of the Resolution

{The title of the Resolution related to an agenda item Y.YY should refer to the desired objective of that WRC-ZZ agenda item, with the same wording as listed in section Y.YY of the Resolution containing the agenda of that future WRC-ZZ.}

{The title may start with “Studies on/Consideration related to..” to bridge to the objective of the agenda item, emphasising that the Resolution primarily relates to the studies to be provided by the ITU-R Sector to the competent WRC as a basis for the relevant decision.}

The World Radiocommunication Conference (PLACE, YEAR),

considering

{The content of this section should primarily aim to qualify the demand under consideration and provide as such the baseline justification for approving a WRC agenda item and tasking the ITU-R to perform studies in “*resolves to invite ITU-R to complete in time for WRC-ZZ*”. This may include an indication of the need for studies to support addressing the demand, the description of the {new entrant/revised service} or its applications. The section should also contain various general background information giving the reasons for the agenda item, including the frequency band(s)/range(s) under consideration. Specific factual elements on current and planned usage may also be included here, as requested by the interested administrations.}

{Each *considering* should start with “that” and end with “;” and be numbered *a*),….*z*), *aa*).. last *considering* ends with a “,”}

noting

{The content of this section should aim to provide factual regulatory information through statement of existing RR frequency allocations, regulatory references (RR No., WRC Resolution…), as well as ITU-R deliverables (Recommendation, Report, Question…) of relevance to the topic, including specific usages and use cases (e.g. secondary services and/or identification/designations in RR Footnotes) in the frequency bands/ranges under consideration, as requested by administrations.

Each *noting* should start with “that” and end with “;” and be numbered *a*),….*z*), *aa*).. last *noting* ends with a “,”}

{Factual regulatory information is meant to provide support to the work to be carried out under the operative part by the ITU-R, flagging ahead relevant regulatory information. Such information cannot however be expected to be exhaustive; an omission should not have an impact in the proceedings.}

recognizing

*a)* that {the frequency bands/ranges under consideration} are also allocated to other radiocommunication services [on a primary basis] and that those allocations are used by a variety of incumbent systems in many administrations {throughout Region X}, [and that the protection of these services should be studied;]

*b)* that for the determination of the incumbents, the relevant RR provisions in force apply;

*c)* …

{The content of this section should aim to set a framework for studies/future use, through recognizing assumptions or objectives for the studies to be performed by the ITU-R in “*resolves to invite ITU-R to complete in time for WRC-ZZ*”.

Each *recognizing* should start with “that” and end with “;” and be numbered *a*),….*z*), *aa*).. last *recognizing* ends with a “,”}

resolves to invite ITU-R to complete in time for WRC-ZZ

{This section should clearly indicate individual study tasks for the ITU-R (to be assigned to relevant ITU-R groups by the first session of the Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) to prepare the basis - regulatory, technical, operational and/or procedural - for possible solutions to be decided by the relevant WRC.

When determining study tasks the following language and structure should be taken into account:

1 definition of {relevant} technical and operational characteristics, for the {newcomer};

2 sharing and compatibility studies between the {newcomer} and the current and planned stations of the existing primary services operating in the frequency bands [A-B] and in the relevant adjacent frequency bands, in order to determine the conditions to ensure the protection of these services;

3 …

Additions/variations are possible by requests of administrations regarding for example:

* passive services,
* secondary services,
* services and their specific conditions of use as outlined in Footnotes to the Table of Frequency Allocations and/or designation of specific frequency bands for specific applications.}

{Each operative part e.g. *resolves to invite* … should start with “to” and end with “;” and be numbered 1,…9,… last *resolves to invite* … ends with a “,”, the very end of the Resolution ends with a full stop “.”}

invites administrations

to participate actively in the studies and provide the information required for the studies listed in the *resolve to invite ITU-R to complete in time for WRC-ZZ* by submitting contributions to ITU-R,

resolves to invite the WRC-ZZ

to …, based on results of studies, …,

{This section shall express the desired objective of the relevant agenda item in concise and unambiguous wording – the same wording shall be listed in section Y.YY of the Resolution containing the agenda of WRC-ZZ. This section is to be omitted in new Resolutions not pertaining to any self-standing agenda item of a future WRC. The section “*instructs the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau*” may be used to address these topics accordingly.}

{the following sections are optional}

instructs the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau

{The indication of further ITU-R internal steps, as necessary or addressing not self-standing issues for a WRC},

instructs the Secretary General of the ITU

{Representation of the agenda item or a related topic in the framework of other UN Principal Organs, related organizations or specialized agencies, within the United Nations System, as necessary}

{The instructions to the BR and the Secretary General shall be limited to the minimum necessary, and are considered an optional, non-standing part of the Resolution.}

ANNEX 3 TO RESOLUTION 804 (Rev.WRC‑23)

Template for the submission of proposals for agenda items

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**Reasons:** Changes to the *invites administrations* part are necessary to refer to the new proposed Annex 2. The guidance in the new Annex 2 for the development of new Resolutions associated with WRC agenda items should facilitate the preparatory work within administrations and regional organisation under agenda item 10 of a WRC, as well as consensus reaching during a WRC. Subsequent changes to Annexes numbering are needed due to the introduction of the new Annex 2.