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Annex

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BDT Activities From 01-Jan-99 To 31-Aug-99

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| CHAPTER 1: Programme of cooperation | | | | | |
| 3 Telecommunication Development Advisory Group | | | | | |
| 3.1 TDAG | | | | | |
| 2177 | First Meeting of TDAG | Switzerland / Geneva | 08-Apr-99 09-Apr-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2451 | First Meeting of the TDAG subgroup dealing with private-sector issues | Switzerland / Geneva | 07-Apr-99 07-Apr-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 4 Gender issues | | | | | |
| 4.1 Gender issues | | | | | |
| 2277 | Gender consultants to bridge BDT activities in 1999 | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2284 | Inter-agency committee on women and gender equality (fourth session) | United States / New York | 23-Feb-99 26-Feb-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2460 | Commission on the status of women | United States / New York | 01-Mar-99 19-Mar-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2491 | Co-ordination Meeting of Steering Committee of Task Force on Gender Issues | Switzerland / Geneva | 10-Jun-99 11-Jun-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 5 Study groups | | | | | |
| 5.1 Study Group 1 | | | | | |
| 2181 | Second meeting of Study Group 1 | Switzerland / Geneva | 30-Aug-99 03-Sep-99 | Committed | MUL |
| 2390 | Rapporteur Group on Question 12/1 and Working Group on economic aspects of frequency management | Switzerland / Geneva | 01-Mar-99 02-Mar-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2414 | Rapporteur's Group on Question 9/1 | Switzerland / Geneva | 05-Aug-99 06-Aug-99 | Committed | MUL |
| 2536 | Rapporteur's Group on Q7/1 | Argentina / Buenos Aires | 05-Jul-99 07-Jul-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 5.2 Study Group 2 | | | | | |
| 2392 | Working Group on WTDC-98 Resolution 9 | Switzerland / Geneva | 03-Mar-99 04-Mar-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2416 | Rapporteur's Group on Question 14/2 | Senegal / Dakar | 06-May-99 07-May-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2419 | SG1 and SG2 Management Team meeting | Switzerland / Geneva | 07-Apr-99 07-Apr-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2422 | Rapporteur's Group Meeting on Question 9/2 | Switzerland / Geneva | 19-May-99 20-May-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2480 | Rapporteur's Group on question 10/2 | Switzerland / Geneva | 17-Jun-99 18-Jun-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 6 Information sharing | | | | | |
| 6.1 Information sharing - Publications | | | | | |
| 2327 | Telecommunication sector reports and publications | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2409 | Telecommunication sector reports and publications | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 6.3 Information sharing - Workshops | | | | | |
| 2325 | 2nd World Telecommunication Indicator Meeting | Switzerland / Geneva | 29-Mar-99 31-Mar-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 6.4 Information sharing - Collaboration | | | | | |
| 2328 | Telecommunication statistics cooperation with other international agencies | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |

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| CHAPTER 2: Valletta Action Plan programmes | | | | | |
| 1 Reform, legislation and regulation of telecommunication | | | | | |
| 1.1 Studies and reports | | | | | |
| 2190 | Trends in telecommunication reform:1999 | Switzerland / Geneva | 01-Jan-99 31-Dec-99 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2459 | Universal service and regulation in the Americas region | | 99 / 1 | Ongoing | AMS |
| 2572 | Support Infodev project on the development of the Telecommunication Regulation Handbook | Switzerland / Geneva | 99 / 2 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 1.2 Workshops/seminars | | | | | |
| 2205 | Subregional workshop on regulatory aspects of universal service and rural telecommunication development | Moldova / Chisinau | 15-Apr-99 16-Apr-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2387 | Subregional workshop on legal aspects of reform (for the Regional Commonwealth in the Field of Communications-RCC) | Georgia / Tbilisi | 31-May-99 01-Jun-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2388 | Regulatory workshop for English-speaking African countries | Botswana / Gaborone | 03-May-99 05-May-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2469 | Seminar for the Islamic Republic of Iran on liberalization and private sector involvement | Iran (Islamic Republic of) / Tehran | 26-Apr-99 27-Apr-99 | Implemented | ASP |
| 1.3 Regulatory library | | | | | |
| 2207 | Regulatory library: Document policies; disseminate survey; enhance database; and expand the TREG website | Switzerland | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2571 | Support Infodev GMPCS Programme | Switzerland / geneva | 99 / 2 | Ongoing | AFR |
| 1.4 Training | | | | | |
| 2570 | CD-Rom on Telecommunication Policies | Switzerland / Geneva | 01-Jan-99 01-Mar-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 1.5 Direct assistance | | | | | |
| 2212 | National regulatory assistance in Africa | | 1999 | Ongoing | AFR |
| 2410 | Broadband Network Interconnect Framework | Malaysia / Kuala Lumpur | 99 / 2 | Ongoing | ASP |
| 2 Technologies and global information infrastructure development and applications | | | | | |
| 2.1 Elaboration of guides, planning manuals and training material | | | | | |
| 2192 | Elaboration of a guide for introduction of the Internet (Homework) | | 1999 | Committed | AFR |
| 2329 | Translation of BASMS into Russian | | 01-Jan-99 21-Jan-99 | Committed | EUR |
| 2431 | Elaboration of a guide for implementing management information services | | 1999 | Committed | AFR |
| 2.2 Development of software tools/software support and provision of training courses | | | | | |
| 2247 | Updating software of the computer-aided outside plant system | | 01-Feb-99 31-Dec-99 | Committed | ASP |
| 2.3 Regional seminars, symposia, workshops, etc. on new technologies | | | | | |
| 2178 | Inter-country meeting on telemedicine | Saudi Arabia / Riyadh | 07-Feb-99 09-Feb-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2194 | Seminar on frequency management and Win BASMS (French-speaking African countries) | Mauritania / Nouakochott | 05-Jun-99 10-Jun-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2200 | Regional symposium on emerging sound and TV technologies shaping the Americas' broadcasting sector (Santiago de Chile) | Chile / Santiago | 25-Aug-99 28-Aug-99 | Committed | AMS |
| 2222 | User/suppliers fora in digital switching (one workshop) | | 1999 | Implemented | ASP |

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| 2223 | Fourth international DAB symposium organised by the ABU World DAB Forum | Singapore | 13-Jan-99 15-Jan-99 | Implemented | ASP |
| 2225 | Regional seminar on telecommunication and environment | Syria / Damascus | 19-Apr-99 21-Apr-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2235 | Activities concerning the Year 2000 problem | | 01-Feb-99 31-Dec-99 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2300 | Subregional seminar on NICTs for protection of the environment and achievement of sustainable development | Burkina Faso / Ouagadougou | 28-Apr-99 30-Apr-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2301 | Radio communications for Lake Victoria and Gulf Guinea bordering countries | | 01-Feb-99 31-Dec-99 | Ongoing | AFR |
| 2302 | Workshop on development of maritime radiocommunications | | 01-Feb-99 31-Dec-99 | Committed | AMS |
| 2305 | Workshop on the development of maritime radiocommunications | | 01-Feb-99 31-Dec-99 | Committed | ARB |
| 2307 | GMPCS workshop (licencing): WTDC-98 Recommendation 8 | Korea (Rep. of) / Seoul | 05-Jul-99 07-Jul-99 | Committed | ASP |
| 2418 | Year 2000 compliance and telecommunication workshop for thee AsiaPacific region | Australia / Gold Coast, Queensland | 07-Mar-99 09-Mar-99 | Terminated | ASP |
| 2423 | Year 2000 compliance and telecommunication workshop for Latin America and the Caribbean region | Brazil / Brasilia | 22-Mar-99 23-Mar-99 | Implemented | AMS |
| 2427 | Year 2000 compliance and telecommunication workshop for CIS and Baltic States | Russia / Moscow | 12-Apr-99 13-Apr-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2535 | ABU/AIBD/HBF/ITU Seminar "Digital Broadcasting: Managing the Transition", Ming Court Vista Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia | Malaysia / Kuala Lumpur | 05-Jul-99 08-Jul-99 | Committed | ASP |
| 2.4 Pilot projects (methodological and expert assistance) | | | | | |
| 2488 | Assistance in changeover from the international telex service to more modern means of telecommunication | | 99 / 2 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2.5 Technical assistance | | | | | |
| 2396 | Transfer of expertise Indonesia-Vietnam (network | Indonesia | 15-Feb-99 31-Dec-99 | Committed | ASP |
| 2655 | Participation in the work of Working Parties 1A, 1B, 1C and Task Group 1/5 of ITU-R Study Group 1 (CAPTEF Group) | Netherlands / Assen | 16-Aug-99 26-Aug-99 | Committed | AFR |
| 3 Rural development and universal service/access | | | | | |
| 3.1 Multipurpose community telecentre pilot projects | | | | | |
| 2253 | Direct assistance to Central African Republic, Uganda and Tanzania for planning rural telecommunications | | 1999 | Committed | AFR |
| 2262 | Support management of existing MCT pilot projects | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2274 | Participation in PICTA and GKP meetings | | 30-Mar-99 31-Mar-99 | Terminated | MUL |
| 3.2 Training | | | | | |
| 2263 | Building information communities in Africa (BICA-99) | South Africa / Pretoria | 22-Feb-99 25-Feb-99 | Terminated | AFR |
| 2265 | Regional seminar for Arab States on the role of community telecentres in fostering universal access & rural development | Tunisia / Tunis | 22-Mar-99 24-Mar-99 | Terminated | ARB |
| 2267 | Telecentre publication | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2269 | Report and analysis from each regional seminar | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2271 | Promotional brochures on telecentres for the private | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2272 | Multimedia support for regional seminars (webcast) | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2273 | Video on telecentres | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |

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| 3.3 Website development | | | | | |
| 2275 | Database integration for universal access website | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 4 Finance and economics, including WTO issues, tariffs, accounting rates, etc. | | | | | |
| 4.1 Assistance in developing new configurations | | | | | |
| 2405 | Developing a cost model for national and international telephone services | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 4.2 Report on financial institutions | | | | | |
| 2515 | Updating of the financial institutions catalogue | | 01-Jan-99 03-Jul-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2516 | Updating the financial institutions website | | Jan/99 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 4.5 Collaboration with development banks and WorldTel | | | | | |
| 2497 | Participation in the InfoDEV project of the World Bank | | 01-May-99 30-Jun-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 4.6 Workshops/subregional seminars/building national capabilities | | | | | |
| 2407 | Cost and tariff workshop for Arab States (North Africa and Mediterranean Arab countries) | Syria / Damascus | 25-May-99 27-May-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 4.7 Organization of a task force of national experts in each region | | | | | |
| 2379 | Fourth seminar on tariffs and cost (Africa) | Senegal / Dakar | 20-Apr-99 22-Apr-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 4.8 Support to the work of ITU-T Study Group 3 | | | | | |
| 2492 | Regional Task Force Meeting for ASP (TAS) | Hongkong / Hong Kong | 11-May-99 15-May-99 | Implemented | ASP |
| 2508 | Participation in the regional tariff group meetings | | 01-Jan-99 30-Jun-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 5 Development partnership with the private sector | | | | | |
| 5.1 BDT cooperation | | | | | |
| 2372 | Annual survey and database of private sector and operators (and related products: website, Cdrom, publications) | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2509 | Support to Q.11/1 | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2510 | Seminar for the Islamic Republic of Iran on liberalization and private sector involvement | Iran (Islamic Republic of) / Tehran | 27-Apr-99 29-Apr-99 | Terminated | ARB |
| 2511 | Issues in Telecommunication Development Volume II - Reforming the international accounting rate system | Switzerland / Geneva | 01-Jan-99 30-Jun-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2666 | Support to Q.12/1 | Switzerland / Geneva | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 6 Capacity building through human resources development and management | | | | | |
| 6.1 Transfer of knowledge | | | | | |
| 2134 | Workshop on the transformation of companies for French-speaking African countries | Mali / Bamako | 07-Jul-99 13-Jul-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2141 | Management of accounting system for Central American countries. | Costa Rica / San José | 26-Jul-99 30-Jul-99 | Implemented | AMS |
| 2145 | Subregional workshop on HRM- Business planning for CIS | Belarus / Minsk | 11-May-99 15-May-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2146 | Subregional workshop on activity based costing for CIS. | Ukraine / Kiev | 28-Jun-99 02-Jul-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2147 | Regional workshop on HRM in Strategic Partnerships | Slovakia / Poprad | 24-May-99 28-May-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2148 | Development and preparation of training material | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2155 | Re-packaged materials to be used at distance | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2156 | Several distance learning programs. | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2157 | Electronic conference using webboard | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |

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| 2158 | Training agreement with AICEP | | 1999 | Ongoing | AFR |
| 2159 | Training agreement with Swisscom | | 1999 | Committed | AFR |
| 2160 | Training agreement with INTELSAT | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2161 | Training agreement with Cable & Wireless | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2162 | Training agreement with TEMIC | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2163 | Training agreement with UKTA | | 1999 | Ongoing | MUL |
| 2164 | Training agreement with Thunderbird University | | 1999 | Committed | MUL |
| 2176 | Second World Telemedicine Congress | Argentina / Buenos Aires | 07-Jun-99 11-Jun-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2330 | Training agreement with Telia | Zimbabwe / Harare | 14-Mar-99 19-Mar-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2527 | Training Agreement with Telia | Sweden / Kalmar and Stockholm | 01-Jun-99 10-Jun-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2528 | Cours pilote CoE Dakar-Utilisation des business plans pour l'analyse de rentabilité des grands projets de | Senegal / Dakar | 07-Jul-99 16-Jul-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2552 | Training Agreement with Cable and Wireless | Senegal / Dakar | 21-Jun-99 23-Jun-99 | Ongoing | AFR |

6.2 Sharing of experience and know-how

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| 2166 | Interregional HRD meeting | United Kingdom / Coventry | 18-Aug-99 24-Aug-99 | Implemented | MUL |
| 2445 | Business-oriented development plans- Spreadsheet template for business plans | Switzerland | 15-Jan-99 30-Apr-99 | Implemented | MUL |

6.3 Assistance

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| 2168 | Assistance to Viet Nam on management development | Viet Nam | 1999 | Implemented | ASP |
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CHAPTER 4: Projects and other direct assistance

1 Ad hoc assistance Africa

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| 2395 | Assistance au Tchad en Maintenance du Réseau et Qualité de Service | Senegal / Dakar | 01-Mar-99 31-Mar-99 | Committed | AFR |
| 2397 | Assistance to Liberia on frequency management. | Liberia / Monrovia | 01-Mar-99 12-Mar-99 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2443 | Ad-hoc Assistance to mauritania on management Information services | Mauritania | 99 / 2 | Implemented | AFR |
| 2450 | Ad-Hoc assistance to Angola on Planitu training | Angola | 99 / 1 | Committed | AFR |
| 2453 | Ad-hoc Assistance to UGANDA--Fellowship on Management5 of the training function | Uganda | May/99 | Committed | AFR |
| 2454 | ad-hoc assistance to Burundi on Internet seminar at | | 15-Mar-99 20-Mar-99 | Committed | AFR |
| 2457 | Ad-hoc Assistance to Madagascar on training for telecommunications technicians and engineers | Madagascar | 01-Jun-99 15-Jul-99 | Committed | AFR |
| 2494 | Ad-hoc Assistance to Burkina-Faso for implementing analytic accounting | Burkina Faso | 05-Jul-99 30-Jul-99 | Committed | AFR |

2 Ad hoc assistance Americas

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| 2428 | Supervision of the Frequency Management System of Project 9-PER/96/017 | Peru | 29-Mar-99 02-Apr-99 | Terminated | AMS |
| 2429 | Meeting of TAL Group | Cuba | 17-Mar-99 19-Mar-99 | Terminated | AMS |
| 2434 | technical evaluation of the execution of the contract with Bellcore/Saville | Colombia | Feb/99 | Terminated | AMS |
| 2455 | Meeting of TAL Group (Trinidad and Tobago) | Mexico | 17-Mar-99 19-Mar-99 | Terminated | AMS |
| 2471 | Négociation du projet "Province de Buenos Aires" | Switzerland | 07-Apr-99 13-Apr-99 | Terminated | AMS |
| 2477 | Tripartite meeting ETB/ITU/Bellcore to prepare the second phase of the contract ITU/Bellcore (CTR/98/267) | Colombia | 19-Apr-99 23-Apr-99 | Terminated | AMS |
| 2483 | Follow-up of contract with THOMSON (CTR/97/234), Project 9-PER/96/017 | Peru / Lima | 28-Apr-99 07-May-99 | Terminated | AMS |
| 2520 | Coordination meeting of contract CTR/93/149 (RACAL), Project 9-HON/91/004 | Honduras | 19-May-99 21-May-99 | Terminated | AMS |
| 2555 | Negotiation of contract with NEC for the installation of TCC (Project 9-ARG/98/008) | Argentina | 16-Jun-99 26-Jun-99 | Terminated | AMS |

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| 3 Ad hoc assistance Arab States | | | | | |
| 2250 | Expert en "Gouvernement-en-ligne" | Morocco / Rabat | 01-Feb-99 05-Feb-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2251 | Arab Intern-al Telecom Conference(AITEC-99)-Expert in Internet and Multimedia | Lebanon / Beirut | 11-Feb-99 12-Feb-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2435 | Regional Seminar on Community Telecentres | Tunisia / Tunis | 21-Mar-99 24-Mar-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2436 | PLANITU Pilot Project | Djibouti / Djibouti | 24-Apr-99 07-May-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2444 | Consultant's mission to Iraq on behalf of the United Nations | Iraq / Baghdad | 03-Mar-99 15-Mar-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2456 | Assistance to Palestinian Authority: Consultant in Frequency Management | Palestinian Authority / Gaza | 06-Apr-99 17-May-99 | Committed | ARB |
| 2458 | Year 2000 Arab Task Force Meeting | Jordan / Amman | 20-Apr-99 22-Apr-99 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2465 | ITU Assistance to the Palestinian Authority: purchase of publications and computer equipment | | Apr/99 | Terminated | ARB |
| 2470 | Consultant's mission to Iraq on behalf of the United Nations | Iraq / Baghdad | 1999 | Implemented | ARB |
| 2482 | Training on tariffication | Bahrain | 22-May-99 26-May-99 | Committed | ARB |
| 2489 | Lecturer to the meeting of ASBU's specialised working group on frequency management in the broadcast bands | Tunisia / Tunis | 25-Jun-99 26-Jun-99 | Terminated | ARB |
| 2565 | Mission to prepare a project implementation proposal regarding Iraq's telecom requirements under the distribution plan | Switzerland / Geneva | 23-Jun-99 29-Jun-99 | Committed | ARB |
| 4 Ad hoc assistance Asia and the Pacific | | | | | |
| 2551 | Optical fibre engineering | Bangladesh / Dhakka | 99 / 2 | Ongoing | ASP |
| 2553 | Preparation of a telecommunicatiuon numbering plan | Nepal / Kathmandu | 99 / 2 | Committed | ASP |
| 5 Ad hoc assistance Europe and CIS | | | | | |
| 2389 | Sub-Regional seminar on the "Telecommunications for the next millenium" | Slovakia / Bratislava | 03-Mar-99 04-Mar-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2493 | Fellowships for Radiocommunication Seminar | Ukraine / Kiev | 07-Jun-99 11-Jun-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2522 | Assistance in numbering plan and operators interconnection | Albania / Tirana | 30-Aug-99 30-Sep-99 | Committed | EUR |
| 2524 | USTTI course on "Land Mobile Radio Communications" | United States / Washington | 01-Jun-99 20-Jun-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2588 | Installation and implementation of PLANITU | Armenia / Yerevan | 09-Aug-99 23-Aug-99 | Committed | EUR |
| 2646 | Donation of Computers to the Moldovan Administration | Moldova / Chisinau | 27-Aug-99 31-Dec-99 | Committed | EUR |
| 6 Assistance to Bosnia Herzegovine Res. COM5/9 | | | | | |
| 2481 | Meeting on the Numbering plan and the assistance to TRA for BiH | Switzerland / BERNE | Apr/99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2487 | Fifth Round table meeting for the establishment of the Bosnian TRA and the presentation of the Numbering Plan for BiH. | Switzerland / Berne | 29-Apr-99 30-Apr-99 | Implemented | EUR |
| 2490 | Assessment of situation in the camps of the refugies from the Kossovo area. | / Skopje-Tirana | 10-May-99 21-May-99 | Implemented | EUR |
