

Secretariat, WG-ITRs

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUES

For the time being, we have not achieved big progress concerning the agreements. In order to draft a report, the Secretariat has checked already agreed issues and the issues we need to discuss. For the time being, we have only agreements on points 1 and 2 below and if there are no additional agreement at the next meeting on the different points quoted in point 3 below, then our report to the Council-05 will be the one annexed to this document.

1. We agreed to the working structure and working procedure.
2. We agreed to the basic documents to be considered (WG-1 report)
3. What are the agreements we could expect from the final meeting?
 - Could we say that the ITRs are important for the ITU and therefore we should maintain, somewhere, at least parts of the current ITRs?
 - Is there agreement that there are reasons to envisage changing the ITRs?
 - Can we have agreement on the issue of whether reference to telecommunication services and systems of transport are too narrow or too broad?
 - Are the provisions of WTO (GATS) and ITR consistent? If result is no, is this sufficient reason to request the revision of the ITR?
 - In Annex 4 of the last report, do we have some issues where we can have agreement ? Could some provisions be moved to the Recommendations?
 - In Annex 6 of the last report, do we have some issues where we can have agreement?
 - According Resolution 121, Council WG-ITRs has to provide conclusions that could form the basis for the Recommendations of the three Sectors. What kind of recommendations could we provide to the three Sectors' SGs?
 - Based on our report, Council is requested to make a recommendation to the PP-06 on any appropriate treaty changes, and whether there is a need to convene a world conference on international telecommunications. What kind of comments can we include in our report to assist Council to make the recommendation?

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