**LIAISON STATEMENT**

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TDAG Working Group on Strategic and Operational Plans (TDAG-WG-SOP) supports the proposals in the contribution received from Mexico, Canada and USA, which suggests TDAG to be responsible for elaborating the ITU-D Strategic Plan. This would allow more time for preparations, improve linkages with the Action Plan and bring ITU-D’s Strategic Planning process in line with the other Sectors. Furthermore, this would provide WTDC additional time to be allocated to other priorities. TDAG-WG-SOP agreed that in order to proceed this way Membership should agree beforehand at the interregional meetings to not deal with the Strategic Plan at WTDC-21 and instead allow TDAG to manage it.

Contribution from Mexico, Canada and USA to TDAG-WG-SOP:
[Proposal on WTDC Review of the Strategic Plan](https://www.itu.int/md/D18-TDAG27.SOP-C-0008/en)

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