

INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION

Radiocommunication Bureau



Corrigendum 1^{*)} to
Circular Letter
CR/63

20 December 1997

To Administrations of Member States of the ITU

Subject: Request for Comments: Notification on electronic media of frequency assignments concerning Terrestrial Radiocommunication Services

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please replace page 6 with the attached text.

Yours faithfully,

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Director, Radiocommunication Bureau

Distribution:

- Administrations of Member states of the ITU
- Members of the Radio Regulations Board

^{*)} Concerns only the English version

3 Proposed Format for Television and VHF Sound Broadcasting

The first phase in the implementation of *TerRaSys* electronic notices is limited to television and VHF sound broadcasting. It is too early to provide details for the other services.

As a result of your comments regarding CR/36, we will be making some minor changes in the proposed television and VHF sound notice forms presented in CR/36; these changes are still under development. The proposed formats for *TerRaSys* electronic notices which are described here are based on the paper notice forms in CR/36. As we revise these paper notice forms, so too we will revise the *TerRaSys* electronic notice format. Because we expect these revisions to be minor, we think that it would be very helpful to provide an electronic format based on the currently proposed paper notice forms.

The details for the formats for television and VHF sound broadcasting are described in [Annex 4](#) and [Annex 5](#).

Examples of *TerRaSys* electronic notices for VHF sound broadcasting appear in [Annex 6](#).

4 Processing of *TerRaSys* Electronic Notices

When *TerRaSys* electronic notices are received, they will be treated within the Bureau in a manner similar to the paper notices, with some exceptions:

- 4.1 Each incoming electronic notice will be quickly examined in the Bureau for syntax and completeness errors. Any errors discovered will be referred to the notifying administration
- 4.2 The search for existing assignments to be modified or copied will be an automated search. Failure to find the existing assignment will result in an automated communication.
- 4.3 On the paper notices, a field can be submitted only one time. However, with the proposed *TerRaSys* electronic notices, it is possible that a field could *mistakenly* be submitted multiple times for the same notice or sub-section of a notice. With the exception of **t_remarks** in the **NOTICE** section and **t_adm** in the **COORDINATION** sub-section, duplicate fields are *not* allowed. If unallowed duplicate fields are discovered, this will result in rejection of this notice.
- 4.4 If the notice was submitted via electronic mail, the communications with the administration will be by electronic mail. We anticipate — particularly in the case of electronic mail submissions — a significantly faster turnaround time than with paper notices for preliminary portions of processing (such as validation). Of course, the Bureau would continue to publish in the order of receipt of both paper and electronic notices.

5 Tentative Schedule

As indicated in CR/36, the conversion to *TerRaSys* will be accomplished in phases. The first phase will involve television and VHF sound broadcasting. This phase will be followed by LF/MF broadcasting. The final phase involves the remaining services.

The Bureau is currently analyzing the comments received in response to CR/36. Final, revised notice forms for television and VHF sound broadcasting will be included in a Circular Letter tentatively scheduled to be mailed in January 1997. We anticipate that we can also include the final format for *TerRaSys* electronic notices in this Circular Letter.

In order to provide time for administrations to adapt their systems to the new (paper and/or electronic) formats, we anticipate that the date for use of the new format for television and VHF sound broadcasting will be no earlier than July 1997. Between this date and the date of implementation of *TerRaSys* (expected to be end of 1997), we propose that:

- electronic notices will be accepted in both CR/26 and the new format, and
- paper notices will be accepted in the old format (AP1/A4, AP1/A5 and AP1/A6) only.