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| PROPOSALS FOR THE WORK OF THE ASSEMBLY | |

# 1 Introduction

According to § 3 of Resolution ITU‑R 1‑6, there are two types of studies that the Radiocommunication Study Groups shall/can deal with.

One is "Questions" approved by the Radiocommunication Assembly on topics referred to it by the Plenipotentiary Conference, any other conference, the Council or the Radio Regulations Board, pursuant to § 3.1.1 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6. New or revised Questions can also be proposed within Study Groups, which is adopted by the Study Group, pursuant to § 10.2 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6, and approved by RA or by consultation in accordance with § 10.4 of the Resolution. Each Question shall be assigned to the appropriate Study Group, assessing the priority and urgency, without any adoption and approval by the Study Group.

The other is "other topics" that the Radiocommunication Study Groups may undertake without Questions, on topics within the scope of the Study Groups in accordance with § 3.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1-6. It seems that the articles provide flexibility to cope with the urgent rise of research necessity and to consider rapidly evolving technology in radiocommunications and market change.

However, the studies without Question can produce the same outputs answering to a Question, part(s) of a Question, or other topics referred to in § 3.3,because there is no official adoption and approval process of such studies in any conference or by consultation. It is necessary that the Radiocommunication Assembly establish criteria to distinguish what kinds of study items should be assigned to "studies with Questions" or "studies without Questions".

On top of it, ITU publishes a list of approved new or revised Questions in Resolution ITU-R 5-6 in the Radiocommunication Assembly. However, the "studies without Questions" are not included on the list, which creates difficulties for administrations to trace each Study Group’s progress.

# 2 Proposal

The proposal of the Republic of Korea is to consider revision to Resolution ITU-R1‑6, on working methods for the radiocommunication Study Groups for its approval at RA-15 in order to clarify the way to deal with "studies without Questions" by each Study Group. Possible ways to do so are as follows:

– including the criteria of the distinction between "studies with Questions" and "studies without Questions";

– inserting the way to notify on "studies without Questions" to the Member States.

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