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| Participation of Observers [[1]](#footnote-1)\* | |
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The participation of observers in conferences, assemblies and meetings of the Union is addressed in CV278 to 280 (as far as the admission is concerned) and in [Resolution 145](http://handle.itu.int/11.1002/pub/8112e178-en) (Antalya, 2006) (as far as the rights conferred are concerned). Therefore, in accordance with Annexes 2 and 3 of this Resolution, the attention of the Conference is drawn, in particular, to the following provisions which state that:

– the following rights shall be conferred on the organizations, agencies and entities which are admitted, pursuant to CV278 and 279, to participate as observers in an advisory capacity:

“2) unless otherwise decided by the plenary meeting, may be admitted to participate in committees and their subsidiary groups, with the exception of the steering, budget control, credentials and editorial committees;

4) may submit information documents via the Secretary-General, which shall be made available to the conference in the ITU official language(s) in which they are submitted; these documents shall be clearly referenced as information documents on the appropriate meeting agendas;

5) may request the floor in order to provide advice or information on points relevant to their mandates; such advice shall not include or be treated as proposals;

6) are to be given the floor by the chairman after the last Member State on the list of speakers;

7) may be asked by the chairman during the course of a meeting to make a statement or to provide relevant information in order to assist the proceedings;”

– the following rights shall be conferred on the organizations and entities which are admitted, pursuant to CV280, to participate as observers in a non-advisory capacity:

“2) unless otherwise decided by the plenary meeting, may be admitted to attend committees and their subsidiary groups, with the exception of the steering, budget control, credentials and editorial committees;

4) may be asked by the chairman during the course of a meeting to provide relevant information in order to assist the proceedings or to make a statement but shall not be authorized to participate in the debates;”

Houlin ZHAO  
 Secretary-General

1. \* Other than the State of Palestine, the status of which (and the rights attached thereto) is defined in Resolution 99 (Rev. Dubai, 2018). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)