

RESOLUTION ITU-R 45

**THE PROVISIONAL APPLICATION OF AN ALTERNATIVE
PROCEDURE FOR THE APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS**

(2000)

The ITU Radiocommunication Assembly,

considering

- a) that an alternative procedure for the approval of Recommendations to facilitate the work of the Radiocommunication Sector has been envisaged by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998);
- b) that Resolution 82 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998) invites each Sector to develop its own procedures, if appropriate, for approving Questions and Recommendations using an alternative approval process;
- c) that No. 246A of the ITU Convention indicates that: Member States and Sector Members shall adopt Questions to be studied in accordance with procedures established by the relevant conference or assembly, as appropriate, including the indication whether or not a resulting Recommendation shall be the subject of a formal consultation of Member States;
- d) that No. 246B further states that: Recommendations resulting from the study of the above Questions are adopted by a Study Group in accordance with procedures established by the relevant conference or assembly, as appropriate. Those Recommendations which do not require formal consultation of Member States for their approval shall be considered as approved;
- e) that Nos. 246D, 246E and 246H indicate that the provisions noted above shall not be used for questions and recommendations having policy or regulatory implications such as:
 - Questions and Recommendations approved by the Radiocommunication Sector relevant to the work of radiocommunication conferences, and other categories of Questions and Recommendations that may be decided by the Radiocommunication Assembly;
 - Questions and Recommendations where there is any doubt about their scope,

resolves

- 1** that the procedure set out below shall be used for the alternative approval of Recommendations on a provisional basis in the period until the next radiocommunication assembly;
- 2** that draft Recommendations, resulting from studies of those Questions identified without opposition in Resolution ITU-R 5 at a radiocommunication assembly, or those Questions approved without opposition by correspondence, as being suitable for the alternative procedure between radiocommunication assemblies, shall be considered by the Study Group as follows:

2.1 if the study group decides that, despite the previous identification of the Question as being suitable for the alternative procedure, the draft Recommendation has some policy or regulatory implication, then the Recommendation shall be considered for adoption and approval according to the provisions of § 10.2 and § 10.3 of Resolution ITU-R 1;

2.2 if the Study Group unanimously considers that § 2.1 above, does not apply (i.e. that the Recommendation is suitable for the alternative procedure), then the Recommendation should be considered for adoption using the procedure in § 10.2.2 of Resolution ITU-R 1;

2.3 Recommendations adopted under § 2.2 above shall be considered as approved. The provisions of § 10.3.5.6 to § 10.3.9 should apply to Recommendations approved in this way;

3 that the next Radiocommunication Assembly shall review the application of this procedure and, if appropriate, shall either include a definitive procedure within Resolution ITU-R 1, or extend the provisional application of an alternative procedure for the approval of Recommendations using the same or revised criteria.
