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COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT ACTION PLAN

| Paragraph No. | Comments |
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| 1 | Alter "the Millennium Declaration Goals" to read " the Millennium Development Goals". |
| 3 | -Insert "and information and communication equipment" after "basic services" in the first line. -Insert the following sentence after the sentence "To utilize existing and new technologies to provide connectivity to all."; "to achieve the universal design of information and communication equipment so that everyone, including the elderly and the handicapped, can easily access." |
| 19 | Delete the bracketed comment beginning (for instance,) in the sentence starting with "Governments should implement". |
| 21 | Delete "primary" in the sentence starting with "There should be a large-scale integration of ICTs ...". |
| 23 | Delete " by governments" in the sentence starting with "South to North brain drain should be prevented...". |
| 24 | Delete the whole sentence starting with "Special mechanisms shall be put in place to encourage the banking sector...". |
| 25 | -Alter "The United Nations should be supported in its efforts aimed at:" to "International cooperation should be promoted. For example;". -Change the sentence starting with "- Studying" to "Studying the long-term possibility of pursuing international efforts on the security of information and communication networks." |

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| 26 | Alter the first sentence to “In the long term, a “global culture of cyber-security”, should be developed, based on UN resolution (UNGA Resolution 57/239) and the United Nations should be supported in its efforts aimed at promoting a global culture of cyber-security.” |
| 33 | Delete “intergovernmental” |
| 37 | Insert the following sentence after the first sentence “ It is important to cooperate with or support the existing forum such as GBDs, in promoting e-commerce. |
| 38 | Alter “establishment” to “utilization” in the sentence starting with “The introduction and development of ICTs in various schools...”. |
| 39 | -Add “ and hygiene” to “ health care” in the third sentence. -Change the words in the sentence starting with “Another e-health priority shall be the prevention...” as follows; dangerous and contagious diseases ? dangerous infectious diseases“ |
| 41 | Alter “the operators of production” to “the environmental impact caused by production” |
| 43 | Alter “ Public policy” to “ Public- private policy” |
| 45a) | The target years should be realistic. Therefore, achievability of these benchmarks should be examined before detailed discussion. |
| 45f) | Delete “ in the LDCs”. |
| 53 | Delete the sentence “Providing tax incentives for start up ICT companies.” |
| 54 | Add the following after the first sentence: “Government leaders of developing countries should raise the relative priority of ICT projects in requests for international cooperation and assistance on infrastructure development projects from developed countries and international financial organizations.” |
| 55 | -meaning of “ digital solidarity fund” should be clarified. -It is more desirable to utilize existing funds rather than to establish new ones. -The sentence starting with “Developed countries that have not already done...” should be modified in line with the paragraph 42 of the Monterey Consensus because the collaboration of both developing and developed countries is of great importance on achieving these goals. |

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| | <p>-The sentence starting with “The unsustainable debt burden should be reduced...” should be modified in line with the paragraph 83 of WSSD Action Plan. Specifically, insert “and, as appropriate,” after “debt relief”.</p> |
| 57 | <p>Taking into consideration the development of the infrastructure in developing countries, monitoring and benchmarking should be applied only to the benchmarks in 45 a), not to whole the action plan.</p> |