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Europe is thankful to the efforts of the Chair and the entire Management Team of the EG-ITRs in successfully fulfilling the mandate of the Group and also to all ITU Members who took part in, or made contributions to the EG-ITRs.

Considering the difference of opinions expressed by member states and also operators on the applicability and usefulness of the 1988 ITRs and 2012 ITRs, it is found counterproductive, at present and in the near future, to hold a WCIT.

For further examination of the matter, Europe considers the analysis made by Brazil (doc 2/4) and Mexico (doc 2/14) as being particularly valuable.

We are confident in the Chairman’s competence to complete in the assigned time the activity of the Expert Group.