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|  | | | Geneva, 7 May 2021 | |
| **Ref:** | **TSB Circular 313**  SG17/XY | | **To:**  - Administrations of Member States of the Union  **Copy to:**  - ITU-T Sector Members;  - Associates of ITU-T Study Group 17;  - ITU Academia;  - The Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of ITU-T Study Group 17;  - The Director of the Telecommunication Development Bureau;  - The Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau | |
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| **Subject:** | **Member State consultation on Determined** **new Recommendation ITU-T** **X.1233 (X.gcims): Guidelines for countering spam over instant messaging, proposed for approval at the ITU-T Study Group 17 meeting (Virtual, 24 August -3 September 2021)** | | | |

Dear Sir/Madam,

1 ITU-T Study Group 17 (Security) intends to apply the Traditional Approval Procedure as described in Section 9 of WTSA Resolution 1 (Rev. Hammamet, 2016) for the approval of the above‑mentioned draft Recommendation at its next virtual meeting planned on 24 August -3 September 2021. The agenda and all relevant information concerning the ITU‑T Study Group 17 meeting will be available in Collective letter [12/17](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-SG17-COL-0012/en).

2 The title, summary and location of the draft new Recommendation ITU-T X.1233 (X.gcims) proposed for approval can be found in **Annex 1**.

3 This Circular initiates the formal consultation with ITU Member States on whether this text may be considered for approval at the upcoming meeting, in accordance with clause 9.4 of Resolution 1. Member States are kindly requested to complete and return the form in **Annex 2** by 2359 hours UTC on **12 August 2021.**

4 If 70% or more of the replies from Member States support consideration for approval, one Plenary session will be devoted to apply the approval procedure. Member States that do not assign authority to proceed should inform the Director of TSB of the reasons for this opinion and indicate the possible changes that would enable the work to progress.

TSB NOTE 1– As of the date of this Circular, no IPR statements had been received by TSB regarding this draft text. For up-to-date information, members are invited to consult the IPR database at [www.itu.int/ipr/](http://www.itu.int/ipr/).

TSB NOTE 2 – No ITU-T A.5 justification document has been prepared for this determined draft text before its determination.

Yours faithfully,

Chaesub Lee  
Director of the Telecommunication  
Standardization Bureau

**Annexes**: 2

Annex 1

Summary and location of Determined draft Recommendation  
ITU-T X.1233 (X.gcims)

# Draft new Recommendation ITU-T X.1233 (X.gcims) [[R083](https://www.itu.int/md/T17-SG17-R-0083)]

**Guidelines for countering spam over instant messaging**

## Summary

This Recommendation specifies guidelines for instant messaging (IM) service providers and users to counter spam over instant messaging (SPIM) and to reduce propagation of SPIM in cyberspace and improve IM user's experience.

This Recommendation analyses scenarios of generating SPIM in instant messaging, specifies technical measures and mechanisms to counter SPIM for IM service providers, as well as recommendations to counter SPIM for IM users.

Annex 2

Subject: Member State response to TSB Circular 313:  
Consultation on Determined draft Recommendations ITU-T X. 1233 (X.gcims)

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Dear Sir/Madam,

With respect to the Member State consultation on the Determined draft texts listed in TSB Circular 313, I would like to advise you of the opinion of this Administration, which is set out in the table below.

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|  | **Select one of the two boxes** |
| **Draft new**  **Recommendation ITU-T X.1233 (X.gcims)** | **assigns authority** to Study Group 17 to consider this text for approval (in which case, select one of the two options ⃝):  ⃝ No comments or suggested changes  ⃝ Comments and suggested changes are attached |
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Yours faithfully,

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Administration of [Member State]

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