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>> CHAIR: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen.

I would like to welcome you all in our first session in Working Group 3A of Com 3. I'm Ahmed Raghy, I'm honored to be the Chairman of this Working Group in the next coming days. Our Agenda is proposed in document ADM/8 and also the plan for our meetings for the coming days that will be presented in document DT/3 for your information.

Before asking your approval for our Agenda I would just like to give you a few remarks. Our Working Group will discuss three main documents for the work of the standardization sector, Resolution 1, the rules and procedures of the T sector, Recommendation 8.1, working method for Study Groups and Resolution 32, the electronic working methods for our sector. These are all very important for the working sector. As all of you know, the ITU-T is always in competition with a different standards body and all of us would like to have a working method and procedures which is flexible and could accommodate the technological advance and the change in technology, the every day change in technology. I urge you all to take that in your consideration and our drafting and our Amendments for these

documents.

Now I can ask you all to get your approval for -- for approval of Agenda, I have a very administrative announcement I would like to tell you, there is a reception this evening, all Delegates are invited. Buses will leave the gate from here at 19:50, 7:50. I just would like you all to take note about that.

I would like to have your approval for our meeting Agenda, Agenda in document ADM/8. Can I have your approval for our Agenda for this meeting?

As you see on the screen, we have three main documents, Resolution -- we will start with Resolution 32 and we have two contributions for this Resolution. After that, we will go to Recommendation A.1 and we have six documents from various Regional Groups for A.1, from African Group, APT, AIP, from Canada.

And finally we will discuss Resolution 1, we have six contributions from African Group, Arab Group, APT, IAP, RCC and United States of America.

Can we agree on that?

Agenda is approved.

Based on our Agenda now we can go to item number 3, Resolution 32. We have two documents for that and I would like to start to have a brief presentation and I would like to ask you please to be very brief, 2-minutes presentation, for your contribution. After each presentation we'll ask for any clarification from your side and we can agree how we can go on with this item on the Agenda.

I would like to invite the representative of African Group to present to us the contribution 42A6-R1. Who would do that, please?

You have the floor, please.

>> CAMEROON: Thank you very much, Chair. On behalf of the African Group I'm going to present our proposal.

The African Group proposes that this Resolution is kept in its current state with regards to electronic working methods can aid the participation for meetings despite the country's geographic position, all countries can participate. The current working methods used throughout the world and facilitate the democratic participation of all members, especially for those developing countries. Therefore, we propose that this Resolution is maintained and we could even strengthen electronic working methods.

Thank you very much, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Cameroon, for your brief presentation.

Any question of clarification for this document? Now we can go to the sec contribution with this document.

AIP/46 addendum 3. Please, United States, you have the

floor.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: We can adapt.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Appreciate the opportunity to introduce this proposal. Would like to state upfront this was motivated, the position here was motivated again by accepting the TSB director's invitation to review the existing resolutions with an idea towards eliminating those whose work may have already been completed.

Resolution 32 was adopted in Montreal in 2000 when working methods of ITU-T were primarily based on paper. Today the overwhelming majority of these meetings are ran paperless, and all documentation is electronically available. This Resolution has served its purpose. The two study periods between 2001 and 2008 TSAG had a Working Party specifically to address electronic working methods. In the last two study periods it was considered to be the normal course of events in a subset of the discussions dealing with working methods in general.

Electronic working is permanently incorporated in ITU working methods. Proposals are to be available electronically. Several plenipotentiary resolutions call out electronic working as a way to safe costs. This electronic working infrastructure under goes continues improvement as a result of the initiatives and feedbacks from the study groups and from member proposals.

There is no longer a need tore a Resolution to call out special attention for electronic working methods.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, United States, for the presentation. Any question of clarification on this contribution? Nothing from the floor. It.

Ladies and gentlemen we have two proposals in our hands, one to suppress Resolution 32 about electronic working method, technical consideration that the mandate is achieved. We have a proposal from the African -- from the African Group to amend the Resolution and maintain the current text. Before we can go to any substance I would like to get from your side your agreement even to maintain Resolution 32 or to suppress this Resolution. I need from your side to have feedback for that.

Russia Federation, please.

>> RUSSIA: Thank you, Chair. We fully support the proposal by the African countries and we would like to continue implementation of Resolution 32.

Until today we also thought a great deal of work has been done, but the neighboring Committee we understood that even the proposal to translate data from the bulletin into data form provoked a whole series of questions for some reason. It seems to us that this Resolution is still pertinent and we need to

keep it enforce.

- >> CHAIR: Thank you, Russia.
- >> In the name of the merciful and all compassionate, thank you very much, Chair.

In light of the technological developments we discussed working methods and I think despite this we need to maintain this Resolution 32. Technological advances continue, but perhaps -- I forget my passport at the hotel, I have to return to collect this passport, for this reason I strongly support retaining Resolution 32 and to encourage ITU to use new electronic working methods towards working at the very best technological methods.

Thank you.

- >> CHAIR: Thank you, Kuwait.
- >> Thank you, Chair. I share the point of view which is just echoed by Kuwait and the Russian Federation to maintain Resolution 32, therefore I support the proposal made by the African Group.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: United Arab Emirates. United Arab Emirates (Speaker) thank you very much, Chair.

You the UAE sports the maintenance of Resolution 32 and supports what's been echoed by Kuwait, the Russian Federation and that vein. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you.

Germany, please.

>> GERMANY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

We acknowledge on one hand that the ITU-Ts are making a lot of progress with regards to electronic working methods, but if African and others think that this Resolution will be kept to fulfill needs we would be prepared to accept that.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Germany.

Egypt.

>> EGYPT: Thank you, Chair.

I support the previous speakers. We also support this African proposal to maintain and preserve Resolution 32. We hope to see the ITU continue to put in place the tools proposed.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Egypt.

Japan.

>> JAPAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Thank you for the proposals and Japan thinks that the working methods are important and helps our efficiency of work, but at the same time I have noticed that ATU proposal is kind of a bit very much specific and detailed for the Resolution and that limits what we can do for improving the electronic working

methods. Maybe keeping the Resolution 32 as it is may be a better way.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Japan, for that.

On the part requests for the floor before we conclude this point?

Thank you. Based on your discussion it is clear for us that there is a support for maintaining Resolution 32. I would like to ask you if there is any opposition for maintaining Resolution 32 and accepting the proposed Amendments from the African comment from the African Group.

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen. We can approve the Amendments from the African Group.

United States would like the floor.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you. In the spirit of compromise the United States can accept the wishes of the broader body to keep Resolution 32.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, United States, for the cooperation.

We can approve the proposed Amendments for -- from the African Group. Also take in consideration of Japan, if -- I could give you a chance for the next meeting, until the next meeting to give any proposal to improve the African proposal and you can communicate with Cameroon, the author for this proposal to give your thoughts and ideas.

We can at this point consider the common proposal as the potential agreed Resolution 32. In our next meeting we can approve that.

Can we agree on that?

Anyone would like to add or improve the text, please communicate with Cameroon so in our next meeting we'll approve the text. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for that.

By that, we can know go to the next item.

Regarding Recommendation A.1 and we have six contributions.

As we have had in our item 3, we'll have a very brief presentation, 2, 3 minutes maximum for A.1 and then we will have a Consolidated Document to work through all text.

Argentina.

>> ARGENTINA: Thank you, Chair.

I'm sorry to take the floor. We want to come back on the previous issue for a clarification.

Resolution 32 is still open to receive comments, and in this case we would like to have consultations in order to see what issues we may like to add and whether we may in a position to approve the new text of this Resolution. If we could have a small drafting group, we would like to be a part of this. We would like to share -- to work on this with Cameroon to work on

modifications that could be introduced in this Resolution.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Argentina.

Let me ask clearly how many people are interested to participate in the drafting in Resolution 32?

We will create a drafting group for this regard and we hope you can complete your Resolution as soon as you can so the announcement for the room allocation and the timing will be on the screen.

Argentina, you have the floor again?

>> ARGENTINA: In order not to complicate the work of the Committee as what we have heard, Japan had contributions to bring to the text and what the African Group has proposed, if Japan doesn't have anymore contributions so we wouldn't -- we wouldn't need to duplicate any further work, but if we're going to have further contributions the version that we have seen, we need to have time for all the Delegates to look at the new text. I'm not sure if we'll be prepared in order to come to the next meeting of Com 3 in order to approve it. Perhaps we could ask the Delegation of Japan if it is interested in making any contributions on the text or if they are in alignment with the modifications made by the African Group. If that's the case, we wouldn't need to put together a drafting group.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Argentina, for that.

Japan, you have any response for the comment from Argentina?

>> JAPAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I would like to send my comment to ITU.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Japan.

Based on that, I could recommend that we can have our drafting group and I believe that we -- you can conclude your work in only one meeting and come back to us as soon as you can with agreed text for Resolution 32.

Thank you, all, for that. Now we can go to item number 3 in our Agenda -- item number 4 on our Agenda, it is Recommendation A.1.

I was just informed that we have a time spot early morning to conduct our drafting group for Resolution 32. May I ask Argentina to take care of that? To Chairing this drafting group to conclude Resolution 32?

Argentina, is that okay with you?

>> ARGENTINA: Yes, Chair. I think that may be better, shooed be Cameroon as they drafted the proposal for the African Group if we're going to participate if they don't object, then we will Chair the group but I think it may be better -- they may

be better placed for Cameroon to actually share that drafting group but however we will do it if you like.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Argentina.

Cameroon, can we do it? Chairing this drafting group?

>> CAMEROON: Yes. Chair. We're happy to do that.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Cameroon for that.

We settle the issue.

Now we go to item 4, Recommendation A.1 and we have six proposals. As I mentioned, we'll have a very brief presentation for each contribution.

First contribution is from TSAG.Can you give a brief presentation on this?

>> TSAG: Thank you, Chairman.

This document was presented to plenary yesterday. This document number 26. This reflects the agreement made at the last TSAG meeting in July of this year to remove the two clauses, 2.2.1.1 and 2 it.2.1.2 concerning the concept of global standards initiative. It was agreed that this concept is no longer necessary in the work of TSAG and it was, therefore, suppressed.

These two parts of A.1.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you for your presentation.

I think it was agreed and there is a consensus in the last TSAG meeting for that.

Next proposal for African common proposal, I would like to invite representative from African Group to give us a brief presentation for your proposal.

Cameroon, please.

>> CAMEROON: Thank you, Chair.

Cameroon or rather the Africa Group has a proposal to not change these Recommendations. This is a proposal which suggests that Member States, sector members, academia and the four different country groups, the Africa Group proposes that the Recommendations are -- remain as they are in the basic text so there are no changes.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Cameroon.

Next presentation from the Arab Group, contribution 43A29.

>> Thank you, Chair. Good afternoon.

On behalf of the Arab States Administrations I'm happy to present to you addendum 29 to document 43 proposal to not change Recommendation on working me notes for Study Groups of the ITU standardization sector. The Arab States propose retaining text as is because it perfectly matches the goals that were established.

Thank you.

- >> CHAIR: ABT, contribution 44, addendum 1. A representative, Korea please?
 - >> I will jump to the proposal to save some time.

Administrations would like to propose to retain A.1. We're adding to mandatory requirement for more work item to the reasons stated in the contribution. We also would like to ask you to provide a clear, reasonable guideline about the rules of procedures regarding the creation of new work item which will be applicable to all study groups.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Korea. The next document IAP/46A30-R1. United States, please.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you, Chair. Good afternoon, colleagues.

On behalf of CTEL and thisn't intra-American proposal we look to revise this based on the clarity, specificity and completeness which the working methods are documented, improvements of this type will improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the sector which is important for many reasons but particularly because the operating restraints leave no room for duplication and inefficiencies for the efforts. There is three changes proposed. First we provide edits to the definitions of descriptions of the types of texts, beyond those defined elsewhere representing the output of the sector. We also add text to the section 3.5 which are restraints in the creation of new document types which may add further, unwarrantnd complexity and confusion to the working methods of the sector.

Second, the AIP proposes edits in 3.1 #. 1.6 to clarify copyright expectations and documents within the sector. Patent guidelines and others exist for the sector, text copyright expectations are less clear and contributions that misuse the copyrighted material could endanger the credibility of the processes and outputs. The goal is to highlight the concerns and move towards better awareness and vigilance.

Third we provide a new clause summarizing the types of groups beyond Study Group which the sector's work is performed and the goal is simply to enable the efficient participation of the members in the sector's work by clarifying the working methods of the different group types it uses.

Thank you very much.

- >> CHAIR: Thank you, United States for your document. The next document is the contribution from Canada.
- >> CANADA: Mr. Chairman, Canada is of the view that Recommendation should be enhanced by the modification with the current template in Annex A so that it provides guidance to the level of support required when a new work item is processed for

adoption.

We have heard a number of proposals against this proposal. This proposal, it is not new, it has been around for some time and in different ways. I want to be sure, Mr. Chairman, the reason why we're proposing this, these changes, it is because when there is a new work item the possibility exists that all proponents of the new work item could be from one country and therefore it could mean that the ITU-T -- intentionally I suppose, work on national right and international standards. One way to get around that possibility is to have a list to Member States or to countries, Member States, could be sector members, academia, could be associate participant, but it will include two different countries and it will make it international rather than having the possibility that we're developing national, sometimes regional standards instead of developing international standards which is the mandate of ITU-T.

Thank you, Chair.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Canada, for your proposals.

To facilitate our work in this resolutions, since we have many contributions, various changes and different provisions, we created a consolidated document, our Secretariat has created a consolidated document for all proposals. I propose to you that we can go through this document and we can see how we can agree on the proposed changes in the Recommendation A.1. What we will maintain as no changes.

I invite you to use the working document 3A1. It is available online. Working document 3A1, consolidated A.1. We'll give you a few seconds to open the documents.

Please help us to show the document on the screen. It would be much better.

Perfect.

I think we can go now to section 1.A. There is change proposal on the TSAG, this is an editorial one. We won't need to go for that. Proposal from IAP, can we agree to that, the proposed change from CTE, will to 1.A to 2.6. I have Russia, then United Arab Emirates.

>> RUSSIA: Thank you, Chair. Good afternoon Distinguished Delegates.

To be honest, we did not completely understand the procedure. There was a proposal from at least two Regional Groups, not to the review this Resolution again. This recommendation again. So perhaps it is somewhat premature to review these Amendments.

In my own turn, I would like to note that there's a whole number of provisions in this document which we believe could be interpreted ambiguously and a number of others requiring further

clarification. This is a fairly long list of comments I have. I won't list them all.

At the same time, it must be said that it is very difficult to expect that a serious review and revisiting of the document could be conducted within the framework of this Assembly.

I would conclude that we believe it is appropriate to support the suggestion of a number of regional organizations, they proposed preserving the recommendation as it currently is. This is my first proposal.

My second proposal, it is that we consider it is necessary to delegate to the advisory group on the standardization in the period leading up to the next assembly to conduct an analysis and review of ITU-T A.1 and to take that review as a priority task and we would be happy to participate in that review.

It would appear to us to be appropriate to first of all consider -- to consider the question of whether it is necessary to make any Amendments at all and only if the support of the majority is achieved should we return to actually revisiting specific Amendments.

Thank you.

- >> CHAIR: Thank you, Russia. U.A.E. please.
- >> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: thank you, Chair. We wish every success to you and to your group as explained by the Distinguished Delegate from the Russian Federation, there are three regional groups that submitted proposals.

Which requested that Amendments are not introduced to A.1. Before starting an exchange of views on the modifications and Amendments to be made and before even showing the document that you have brought up for us we would like at the outset for the following to be taken into consideration. The proposals, specifically, of the Asia-Pacific Group, the African Group and the Arab States group, these three groups have asked for no modifications to be made.

In addition, the Arab States group wanted to introduce a number of modifications or at least propose them but due to lack of time allocated and taken into account the other large number of issues discussed at this assembly and because this recommendation could Trigger a deep analysis by tSAG we suggest that modifications are not introduced currently and instead the considerations of the different proposals are delegated to TSAG and it should cover possible modifications to the Recommendation since the last meeting of the TSAG there has been discussion of this and the same advisory body we believe could consider these proposed modifications.

This would be a part of the TSAG's agreement. As exchanges are continuing, we would ask you to take into consideration this request. If there is a consensus on this then we could delegate

to TSAG the task of undertaking a deeper analysis.

Thank you.

- >> CHAIR: Thank you, United Arab Emirates.
- >> Thank you, Chair.

The point I wanted to raise, three Regional Groups have already requested that no modification be made to the Recommendation. I add my voice to the Delegates of the United Arab Emirates and Russian Federation for this.

Thank you.

- >> CHAIR: Japan.
- >> JAPAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Japan also thinks it is important, this Recommendation, and it requires deep analysis during the TSAG meeting. At the same time we noticed that there is a contribution 26 from TSAG to modify this A.1, a result of the discussion in the TSAG and I think that this assembly should approve this modification.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Japan.

Now we have a long list. I would like to close the list of speakers. We will have Egypt, Canada, Brazil, Germany, United States of America. This is our list of speakers.

Now we will hand the floor to Egypt.

>> EGYPT: Thank you, Chair.

Just like the U.A.E. and Saudi Arabia we also propose that the TSAG discussions this issue. Some proposals have been subject of an exchange of views during the last meeting of TSAG. Therefore, we support the proposal made by Russia, Saudi Arabia, the U.A.E. for TSAG to be charged with resolving this issue.

Thank you.

>> My question is a question for clarification,
Chairman -- I guess it is related to the one posed by the
Delegate of Japan.

We have heard from the director of TSAG that these are approved by plenary, the plenary approved the changes, I want to know how -- what was the situation? Is it plenary saying it is approved, they have to apply, continue to be discussed, please, Mr. Chairman, can you clarify this for me?

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Canada.

Before we continue our list, can we have clarity from TSAG? >> TSAG: Thank you, Chairman.

Certainly from my perspective it was my understanding that these Amendments had been approved and given the fact that there were no objections to the proposal put forward yesterday in plenary I do believe that the discussion here simply relates to other row posed changes by A.1 rather than those that have already been approved by TSAG and by the WTSA plenary.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you for that.

Brazil.

>> BRAZIL: Thank you, Chair.

Brazil recognizes that there is proposals for not changing the Recommendation A.1 and there are a few proposals to change it. As was said before by I believe my colleague from Canada there is a proposal in TSAG meaning it is not just from one country itself but from the plenary of the TSAG, we have had a lot of Member States discussing this already in a certain time and then again since we're discussing this now there's -- I don't see any problems at least in making some adjustments now in A.1 and continuing the discussions in TSAG as well since some Delegations expressed a need for changing things or would like to propose different things as well. I believe it is just a continuation of the process and this is an opportunity to present some changes.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Germany.

>> GERMANY: Thank you.

I think that the Chairman of TSAG has taken my words.

I have understood those changes which have already been discussed and agreed within TSAG have been confirmed by the plenary and we expect those, at least, can be expected here.

We have also understood the proposals from the Arab States and ITU that they have no problem with the TSAG proposals, that's my understanding. Maybe I'm wrong with that. My view is that at least that what has been discussed extensively should now also be confirmed here.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you.

United States.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you, Chair.

We simply want to note that the different proposals for change are quite distinct and some may be easier to agree on in this body than others. It is clear as has been already stated modifications to these Recommendations may and should be an ongoing process and we would welcome that both here because we're all gathered here already and at TSAG as well. And we add our support that the discussions previously discussed and agreed at TSAG be carried forward today.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, United States.

Final speaker from Korea.

>> KOREA: This is not -- we're not opposing the TSAG proposal, for clarification.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Korea.

Based on your views and from different regions and from different Delegates I propose to you that regarding A.1 we can approve -- it is already approved, the TSAG proposals to be introduced to the current text of A.1 and regarding it the rest of the contributions to maintain this discussion in the TSAG, in the coming meeting and to mention in our reports to let the community of TSAG discuss A.1 specifically the proposal presented in our meeting. Can we have agreement for that?

>> RUSSIA: Thank you, Chair.

We agree with your conclusion. However, we would also like to note and places in the protocol the Delegation to TSAG to review this task as one of its most high priority tasks.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Russia. Can we approve the proposal and comments from Russia?

No opposition for that.

Great. We can now approve changes of the text of TSAG to A.1 and we will continue our discussion in the TSAG meeting.

We will move to the last item in the Agenda. Resolution 1. We have 10 minutes until the end of our meeting.

We have 25 minutes until the end of our meeting. We'll have the presentation for all contribution, I hope today we can present all documents and we may be continuing tomorrow the discussion of substance.

I would invite the African Group to present document 42.12-Rev1. Cameroon, please.

- >> CAMEROON: I'm sorry, the --
- >> CHAIR: United States, you would like the floor for the A.1 text or --
- >> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: We wanted clarification, is this assigned to Rapporteur group on working methods or is another one going to be created.
 - >> CHAIR: Thank you.

That will be reflected in the report, that issue. Can you clarify that?

>> Thank you, Chairman.

In response to the querry an how this it will be carried out, I would anticipate that the Rapporteur group on working methods would be assigned this responsibility, however in that particular Rapporteur group a specific group could be formed. I still need to consult with my Vice-Chairmen in the TSB with this and the membership generally, but we could form a specific group to examine the A.1 text and come up with Recommendations.

Chairman, this matter is still open at the moment but certainly it would be formed within the framework of the Rapporteur group on working methods.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you for the clarification. Now we can come back to present the document 42 and then 12.

Cameroon, please.

>> CAMEROON: Thank you, Chair.

In in proposal of changes the African Group proposed to put forward modifications to this Resolution 1 which should develop the resources of the union and to strengthen the functionality of ITU-T while maintaining the needed flexibility to develop new questions which are of concern to developing countries. In general, these changes can be seen in the Annex to the contribution. The African Group does not support significant changes in Resolution 1. Paragraph 1.11.4 and paragraph 4.2 which makes reference to references and paragraph 7.2 and 7.16, 7.1.6, thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Cameroon.

We can go into our next document, presentation by the Arab Group document 43 addendum 17. Saudi Arabia, please.

>> SAUDI ARABIA: Thank you very much, Chair.

I'm happy to present on behalf of the Arab States Administrations document 43 addendum 17 with regards to the draft revision of Resolution 1. The rules of procedure of the ITU-T sector of ITU. In order to be brief I would like to say that the Arab countries would like to modify some points which might improve the work at the heart of the ITU-T sector. In summary, therefore, the changes proposed concern the resources within the ITU-T sector and the ways in which we can change the resolutions and mechanisms of participation of experts within the Study Groups themselves.

There are other modifications which we have -- which we have -- which can be seen throughout the document.

- >> CHAIR: APT, who will present that on behalf of APT? China, please.
- >> CHINA: Thank you, Chair.

I would like on behalf of APT members to present on this common proposal the contribution, it is to improve the working efficiency of ITU-T Study Groups. Timely addressing the industry's comments for international standards. The proposals in this contribution, first one is to add the clarification test in 8.1 to clarify the selection process for APT and the TAP and add a reference to Resolution 40 in A.1 to clarify the conditions assumed to select the approval process of the AP.

The second one, it is to propose TSAG and anterior others to provide measures for an AP process since TAP wants the conditions in the plenary meeting, it -- it at least is for another plenary for approval. We would like to reduce the approval time period to address the timely comments for the international standards. It.

The third proposal, to add some activity analysis for the questions that were in section 4.2, it says to be a part of each study group of WTSA according to the -- according to the Committee's output to the assembly meeting.

The fourth one, to add a new part of Resolution for the director to encourage the Study Groups to improve the participation for the standardization work.

For example, analysis of the satisfactory degree of our members, which we think would be very helpful to the long-determine development of ITU-T and there's also some editory modifications that could be made more frequently.

Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, China, for the presentation.
Next document, IAP. Who will present on behalf -- Canada.

>> CANADA: CTEL, American Member States, we have the following proposal: This proposal provides edits to the Resolution in order to increase efficiency, reduce duplication of efforts to promote openness, transparency, responsiveness, I will go through all of them in a very concise way.

In section 1.4 text is provided to indicate that guidelines to stimulate the development of the Resolution during the meetings should be added. We propose a more precise definition to clarify the contents, characteristics, appropriate use, this is in in 1.11.4, and in addition, in 3, Study Group management, 2.3 in connection with appointment by the Chair and Vice-Chairs to look into the distribution and gender balance and contributing countries. Also it is to indicate that Vice-Chairs should be assigned specifically based upon the Study Group program of work in section 4 with TSAG a new clause is added to indicate the appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman sudden should be based on the demonstrated competence taking into account the need to promote the geographical distribution gender balance and participation of developing countries.

Finally, to add new guidance to help develop study questions that comport with the scope and mandate in trying to stay with the Convention, this aligns with the frequency sector.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. That concludes my presentation.

>> CHAIR: Thank you.

The next document for RCC group.

Russia, please.

>> RUSSIA: Thank you, Chair.

The RCC document is aimed above all at clarification on a number of unclear areas in areas described in Resolution 1. We consider that Resolution 1 is very important for the effective work of this sector and the text therefore needs to be clear and precise and give no room for varied interpretations of the procedures and working measures.

Therefore, we propose to clarify a number of provisions, correct the existing contradictions and add text that was missing in the past.

At the same time, we try to fully take into account the practice which exists in the standardization sector.

The largest section is new section 2, documentation of the standardization sector in which we offer a list of the documents developed by the Study Groups and standardization sector, but also a brief description of the procedure for approval and suppression.

I would also like to note that all of these proposals reflecting existing practices and based on them.

There's also a large number of modifications, clarifications, Amendments, including a description of the Recommendations of ITU, I won't go into all of the proposals in detail. They are all listed in the document as published.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Russia, for your presentation and our last contribution, United States.

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you.

While fully supporting CTEL as as priority we submitted additional comments in C48A16. Proposing he had detroits to Resolution 1. This contribution gives priority to the CTELAPI with the following goes beyond that with the following additional proposals.

Recognizing that the constitution charges the T sector with the responsibility to formulate Recommendations with a view STOs standardizing telecommunications on a worldwide basis and the Convention specifies that Study Groups are to fulfill in this function within the T sector and Study Groups are to prepare for the world telecommunication standardization assembly a report indicating the progress in light of these mandates the U.S. believes that clauses 2.3.2 and 2.3.3 of Resolution 1 are not consist with the principles embodied in the broad participation necessary to create worldwide standards.

We therefore believe that participation in the groups of the ITU-T including regional study groups is open to all Member States and sector members regardless of what region they represent.

Our edits in 2.3 and 2.2 and 2.3.3 seek to align ITU working methods with the principles from the constitution and convention. In addition, we propose edits to clause 5 regarding the duties of the director, edits aims to provide further clarity and financial and overall management of the sector consistent with the plan of the union in Resolution 71. A similar philosophy guide is proposed to 7.2.3 regarding approval of questions if consensus is not achieved.

We present this document for consideration.

Thank you, Chairman.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, United States, for your presentation. Before we proceed, I would like to ask if there are any question of clarity in any of these contributions?

>> UNITED KINGDOM: a couple of requests for clarification. One relates to the Arab proposals. With experts, in the proposal, there is a proposed amendment to 2.3.1 which says that experts may present reports and presentations at the request of Chairman meetings. They say they may also participate in relevant discussions and then following section 2.3.2 Study Group 3 regional group may invite experts to take part in meetings and then in 2 it.3.3 experts to take part in meetings.

I would like clarification why Arab States thinks it is necessary for experts to participate in relevant discussions so not just give information but be an active member of such meetings.

If I can just leave that clarification for Arab States and I have a request for clarification on the African proposals.

Thank you.

UK.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, U.K.

Argentina.

>> ARGENTINA: Thank you, Chair.

We wanted to ask for clarifications from the United States with regards to their intervention because we didn't hear very clearly in the interpretation, if we understood correctly that they're supporting the proposal of CTEL but they're also making some additions or -- so they were in the proposal? We wanted to clarify, what are the paragraphs you would like to contribute? We didn't get a very clear interpretation on that point.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Argentina.

I would give the floor to the Arab Group to response to that clarity from the ${\tt U.K.}$

>> SAUDI ARABIA: Thank you very much, Chair.

The importance of participation of experts in Study Groups is -- the regions differ with regards to the subjects addressed and the challenges found. Therefore this change aims to allow experts -- to allow the Chairs of the Study Groups to invite experts to participate within discussions.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: United States?

>> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you, Chairman. Thank you, Chairman.

Paragraphs 2.2, 2.3.2, section 5 or paragraph 7.1 -- 7.2.3, thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, United States.

Now I would like to give the floor to U.K. to give us a question for the African Group. Thank you.

>> UNITED KINGDOM: I want to come back to the Arab States. I had a question with regard to Regional Groups. I have no concern over regional group. They can conduct the businesses they wish.

In relation to Study Groups why do they feel that Study Groups, experts should participate actively in the meeting? Thank you. Does that include things like decision making and what is the extent of what they propose?

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: UK, please, could you also propose your question to the African Group? It would be better to --

>> It is just the sheer extent of them. I'm not sure that we have time at this WTSA and as Russia proposed for the last item perhaps that's better for TSAG to consider. I don't see how we can manage it in the timeframe we have available.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, U.K.

I give the floor to the United Arab Emirates maybe to respond on behalf of the Arab Group, and finally Cameroon will give clarification and this is the final intervention.

United Arab Emirates, please.

>> UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: Thank you very much, Chair.

With regard to the question raised by the United Kingdom with regards to experts, as you know, Chair, the Chair of Study Groups is the Chair of the WTSA and TSAG also has the possibility to invite experts to participate within the discussions for some questions. Therefore the modification which we proposed, Chair, be is in order to allow experts to participate within discussions with regards to the specific questions of which they're invited to participate.

This is why we have modified section 1 regarding experts. That is the reason behind this.

Namely to allow experts to participate within the Study Groups and not to participate within decision making but only to allow them to participate in the debates regarding the topics and issues upon which they have been invited to participate in order to offer clarification and lend further information to the Study Group regarding the issues.

I hope I have been clear enough. Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Cameroon, last point of clarification to the U.K.?

>> CAMEROON: Thank you very much, Chair.

We have taken note. The United Kingdom has not made

specific references to the questions it would like to ask us. Having said that, taking into account that our contribution was a reaction to some contributions which were made elsewhere we are completely available to all parties who would like to work with us in consultation.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you, Cameroon.

U.K., you still need the floor?

>> UNITED KINGDOM: Thank you. The references to the after began group proposals were in error. I corrected that. It was the Russian proposals, not that necessarily object to the proposal but due to the extent of them I querried if we had the time to consider them at this conference.

Thank you.

- >> CHAIR: Thank you, U.K. United States.
- >> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Thank you, Chairman.

We note that it is 5:30 and I'm not sure, we have a number of comments on the different proposals to edits, to Resolution 1. We're not sure if we should state all of our questions now regarding the proposals or if you would rather we do this in the drafting group? I'm assuming you're going to convene.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you.

That's what I propose now.

My point regarding the proposal from UK, the situation and Resolution 1, it is different than A.1, the Resolution should be discussed in the WTSA and it is not possible to discuss it in the TSAG. It is the case that's different for A.1. My proposal for the way forward for our coming meetings, that we will have a consolidated document for all proposed Amendments for Resolution 1. You can find this Consolidated Document as a working document number 2 for our Working Group 3A. This document contains all proposals.

Tomorrow in our morning meeting we will go through this document and we can discuss it point by point for the acceptance of the agreement or disagreement for each proposal.

This is my proposal for the way forward for the coming four meetings.

I hope we can conclude before that, but if not we'll consume four meetings in Resolution 1.

Do I have your approval for this process? Okay. Now our time, we end our time. I would just like to give the floor to Secretariat for some announcements.

>> SECRETARIAT: First, the room for drafting group of Resolution 32 will be in room Laurie tomorrow morning at 8:15 until 9:15. So that this -- the result of this group could be reflected in the next session of 3A starting at 11:15. The next

announcement, I would like to repeat the invitation from the beginning in case some colleagues had missed that, there will be a gala reception this evening. The buses, they'll be leaving the meeting venue from 7:15, that's all the information.

Thank you.

>> CHAIR: Thank you for your announcements.

I wish you all a nice evening and see you all tomorrow morning.

Thank you very much. Meeting is adjourned. Thank you.