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TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES**

ITU-T Recommendation C.3

(Previously "CCITT Recommendation")

FOREWORD

The ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) is a permanent organ of the International Telecommunication Union. The ITU-T is responsible for studying technical, operating and tariff questions and issuing Recommendations on them with a view to standardizing telecommunications on a worldwide basis.

The World Telecommunication Standardization Conference (WTSC), which meets every four years, established the topics for study by the ITU-T Study Groups which, in their turn, produce Recommendations on these topics.

ITU-T Recommendation C.3 was revised by the ITU-T Study Group I (1988-1993) and was approved by the WTSC (Helsinki, March 1-12, 1993).

NOTES

1 As a consequence of a reform process within the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), the CCITT ceased to exist as of 28 February 1993. In its place, the ITU Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) was created as of 1 March 1993. Similarly, in this reform process, the CCIR and the IFRB have been replaced by the Radiocommunication Sector.

In order not to delay publication of this Recommendation, no change has been made in the text to references containing the acronyms "CCITT, CCIR or IFRB" or their associated entities such as Plenary Assembly, Secretariat, etc. Future editions of this Recommendation will contain the proper terminology related to the new ITU structure.

2 In this Recommendation, the expression "Administration" is used for conciseness to indicate both a telecommunication administration and a recognized operating agency.

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(Melbourne, 1988; revised Helsinki, 1993)

The CCITT

considering

- (a) that, in accordance with the International Telecommunication Regulations (Melbourne, 1988), Administrations should comply to the greatest extent practicable with the relevant CCITT Recommendations, including any Instructions forming part of or derived from these Recommendations;
- (b) Resolution No. 8 of the World Administrative Telegraph and Telephone Conference (Melbourne, 1988) concerning Instructions for Telecommunication Services;
- (c) that Instructions are defined in the International Telecommunication Regulations (Melbourne, 1988) as: A collection of provisions drawn from one or more CCITT Recommendations dealing with practical operating procedures for the handling of telecommunication traffic (e.g., acceptance, transmission, accounting);
- (d) that, provisions are designated as Instructions for one or more of the following reasons:
 - their observance on a worldwide basis is of particular importance for the orderly and efficient operation of the international telecommunication service(s) concerned;
 - it may be convenient to publish them as a separate booklet for use by operators and their supervisors;
 - the provisions (or subsequent amendments to them) may need to enter into effect at a specified time throughout the world;
- (e) that, in accordance with the International Telecommunication Regulations, it is recognized that neither Recommendations nor Instructions have the same legal status as Regulations,

unanimously declares the view

- 1) that Administrations should apply the detailed operational procedures laid down in the Instructions, which are constituted as shown in Table 1;
- 2) that when modifications to the text of Instructions are approved, the date on which such modifications should enter into effect should be indicated, in order to facilitate their world-wide observance in a coordinated manner. In setting this date, due account should be taken of the time required for the publication of the modifications, as well as for their distribution to the operational personnel in the services concerned.

TABLE 1/C.3

Service	Recommendations	Relevant clause
International Telephone Service	E.141	All
International Public Telegram Service	F.1, D.43 D.40	All 4, 5, 6
International Telex Service	F.60, F.61 D.67	All A
Bureaufax Service	F.170 D.70	All 2, 4, 5
Maritime Mobile Services	F.110/E.200, D.90	All
Transferred Account Service	D.98	2, 3, 7