

**WRC-03 Advisory Committee
INFORMAL WORKING GROUP 7 (IWG-7)
Regulatory Issues and Future Agendas**

Meeting Minutes

Meeting: Tenth Meeting of IWG-7

Date/Time: March 14, 2002, 1:30 - 3:30 PM

Location: The Boeing Company, 1200 Wilson Boulevard,
Arlington, Virginia

Committee Members Present: A. Allison (Chairperson), K. Baum (Vice Chairperson), R. Wright, B. Fisher, K. Hutchison, C. Hofer, K. Martin, B. Ramsay, T. Walsh (by telephone), and V. Sahay

FCC Employees Present: L. Reed (FCC Coordinator), A. Roytblat (FCC WRC-03 Director)

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Introductions/Administrative Matters: The meeting was open to the public. As an initial matter, the participants introduced themselves.

The agenda for this Tenth Meeting (Doc. IWG-7/060 (03.12.02)) was adopted with two additional documents added under item 4 (relevant to WP 4A).

The draft minutes from the Ninth Meeting (Doc. IWG-7/058) were approved without change.

Updates from Recent Relevant Meetings: The meeting discussed the following past relevant events:

- WAC (2/6/02). The Chair reported that Larry Reed represented IWG-7 at the last WAC meeting. Further, the Chair noted that the next WAC is April 4th.
- CITELE PCC.III (Mexico City). The Chair presented highlights of the meeting. While there was a document from Colombia on Resolution 80, no representatives of that administration were present to introduce it. However, it was agreed the document would be considered in the future under agenda item 1.30. Mr. Ramsay also brought to the attention of the group a CITELE output document (non-WRC) on use of C-band frequencies for TT&C. It was felt that this should be brought to the

attention of IWG-3, which deals with agenda item 1.39. The next CITELE meeting is the 3rd week of July in Brazil.

- SATBAG. Mr. Reed & Mr. Walsh, who attended the meeting, provided a brief report to the group. They highlighted areas where WRC proposals may result, such as extension of the coordination arc approach. They also indicated that Part B of the SNL was to be completed by September. The interim report of the meeting was reviewed as Doc. IWG-7/063.
- RAG/WRC-03 Informal Group. With respect to Resolution 80, Colombia was not present to introduce their document. It was noted that some European countries (Luxembourg, Sweden, Netherlands, & Norway, contained in Doc. IWG-7/61) had submitted a document in response. Hugh Railton is no longer coordinating the correspondence group on this issue; a delegate from India has overtaken this responsibility. During the RAG, some administrations expressed their view that the RAG cannot consider various issues because it is not a decision group. The WRC-03 Informal Group met one evening during the RAG. Agenda items 1.11 and 1.27 were raised by some participants as potentially difficult items at the next WRC. The notes of this meeting were distributed to the group as Doc. IWG-7/062.
- CEPT PT 2 & 3. It does not appear that these groups are pursuing any issues relevant to IWG-7.
- US Space Informal Working Group/US WP-4A. Several issues of interest to IWG-7 will be considered at the upcoming WP 4A meeting: coordination of typical earth stations, automation of Article S5, and a possible new question on facilitating the processing of notifications for advance publication, coordination and notification. Documents IWG-7/64 and 65 were distributed to the group.

Agenda item 1.30:

Doc. IWG-7/61, the response of some European administrations to Colombia's RAG document on Resolution 80, was also not considered at the RAG, as the Colombian document was not taken up. The other document, IWG-7/59 was emailed to the group in mid February.

Agenda item 4:

Under this agenda item, the group considered a revision of Mr. Reed's document (IWG-7/030 (03.04.02)) reviewing the in-force Resolutions and Recommendations. The group discussed the draft document, and several changes were agreed.

Agenda item 7.2:

The Chair reported that current USG guidelines were that future agenda items should be identified by IWG-7 by July. To initiate work on this topic, the group commenced a detailed review of Resolution 801 (WRC-2000). Tentative comments were made against various items, such as potential deletions, or items the US might support as future agenda items.

New business/future meetings:

No new business was identified. The next meeting of IWG-7 was scheduled for May 1 [ed. note: later changed to May 22], at the FCC (7 South), at 1:30 pm. The meeting was adjourned.

Documents distributed: IWG-7/061 (Comments on RAG2002-1/14); IWG-7/062 (Notes on Meeting of WRC-03 Informal Group); IWG-7/063 (Interim Report to Council from the Satellite Backlog Action Group); IWG-7/064 [Draft CPM Text for Agenda Item 1.30]; IWG-7/065 (WP-4A Proposed New Question).