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#### **DECLARATIONS AND RESERVATIONS**

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of the International Telecommunication Union

(Dubai, 2012)\*

At the time of the signing of the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the undersigned delegates take note of the following declarations and reservations made by signatory delegations:

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Original: English

#### For Finland:

The Finnish delegation formally declares that, with respect to Finland, the provisional or definitive application of the amendments to the Administrative Regulations of the Union as defined in Article 54 of the Constitution of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992), as amended by the amending instruments of Kyoto (1994), Minneapolis (1998), Marrakesh (2002), Antalya (2006) and Guadalajara (2010), shall be understood as being to the extent authorized under national law.

<sup>\*</sup> Note by the General Secretariat – The texts of the declarations and reservations are shown in the chronological order in which they were deposited.

In the table of contents, these texts are grouped in the alphabetical order of the names of the Member States which made them.

Original: French

# For the Togolese Republic:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12), the Togolese delegation reserves the right for Togo not to apply any provisions thereof which may be contrary to its laws or to the international agreements to which it is party.

In addition, it reserves the right for Togo not to apply the provisions of those Acts in respect of States and organizations that fail to abide by them or to apply them.

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Original: Spanish

#### For the Republic of Paraguay:

The delegation of the Republic of Paraguay, in signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) of the International Telecommunication Union, declares that it reserves for its Government the right:

- to take any action it considers necessary to safeguard its interests, should other
  Members of the International Telecommunication Union fail in any way to observe the
  Final Acts, the Annexes thereto and the International Telecommunication Regulations,
  or should reservations by other Members jeopardize the proper functioning of its
  telecommunication services or its full sovereign rights;
- to formulate, under the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 1969, additional
  declarations or reservations to the international instruments constituting these Final
  Acts, at any time it sees fit between the date of their signature and the date of their
  possible ratification.

Original: Spanish

# For the Argentine Republic:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications of the International Telecommunication Union (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of Argentina declares that it reserves for its Government:

- The right to adopt any measures that it may deem necessary, in accordance with domestic legislation and international law, to safeguard national interests should other Member States fail to comply with the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) or should the reservations expressed by other Member States affect the international telecommunication services of the Argentine Republic or its sovereign rights.
- The right to express reservations to the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) between the date of signature of these Final Acts and the date of the possible presentation of the instruments approving those Acts, in accordance with the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 1969.
- The Argentine Republic recalls the reservation it made when ratifying the Constitution and the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, signed in the city of Geneva, Switzerland, on 22 December 1992, and reaffirms its sovereignty over the Malvinas Islands, the South Georgia Islands, the South Sandwich Islands, the surrounding maritime areas and the Argentine Antarctic, which form an integral part of its national territory.

It further recalls that, in relation to the "Question of the Malvinas Islands", the United Nations General Assembly has adopted resolutions 2065 (XX), 3160 (XXVIII), 31/49, 37/9, 38/12, 39/6, 40/21, 41/40, 42/19 and 43/25, recognizing the existence of a dispute over sovereignty and requesting the Governments of the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to resume negotiations with a view to finding a lasting and peaceful solution to that dispute as soon as possible.

The Argentine Republic further points out that the United Nations Special Committee on Decolonization has made repeated pronouncements along the same lines, most recently through the resolution adopted on 14 June 2012, and that the General Assembly of the Organization of American States adopted a further similarly worded pronouncement on the question on 5 June 2012.

Original: Spanish

# For the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela reserves for its Government the right to avail itself of the provisions of No. 217D of the Constitution of the International Telecommunication Union and declares its intention not to apply the provisions contained in the Final Acts, and consequently the revision of the International Telecommunication Regulations, until such time as they have been ratified by the competent authority of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and such ratification has been notified to the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union. It also reserves the right to take any measures it may deem necessary to safeguard its national interests should another ITU Member State fail to comply, in any way, with the International Telecommunication Regulations or with the provisions contained in the Final Acts of this Conference, or should the reservations entered by any country be detrimental to or affect in any way the smooth operation of the international telecommunication services of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

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**Original:** English

#### For Ghana:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Ghana formally declares that it reserves for its Government the right to take any action in conformity with the Constitution, the laws and the international commitments of the Republic of Ghana which it may consider or deem to be necessary or useful for the purpose of protecting and safeguarding its national rights and interests should any Member State of the Union fail in any way to comply with the provisions contained in the present Regulations.

It also reserves for its Government the right not to accept the consequences of any reservations made by other contracting parties which *inter alia* might give rise to an increase in its contributory share to the expenditure of the Union, or which might jeopardize the smooth and efficient functioning of the telecommunication services of the Republic of Ghana.

Finally, the delegation of the Republic of Ghana dissociates itself from any action which in any way results in the deregulation of telecommunications.

Original: English

#### For the Republic of Indonesia:

On behalf of the Republic of Indonesia, the delegation of the Republic of Indonesia to the World Conference on International Telecommunications 2012 (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012) hereby reserves the right of its Government to take:

- any action and preservation measures it deems necessary to safeguard its national interests should any provision of the Constitution, the Convention and the Resolutions, as well as any decision of the World Conference on International Telecommunications 2012 (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012), directly or indirectly affect its sovereignty or be in contravention to the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Republic of Indonesia as well as the existing rights acquired by the Republic of Indonesia as a party to other treaties and conventions and any principles of international law;
- further reserves the right for its Government to take any action and preservation measures it deems necessary to safeguard its national interests should any Member in any way fail to comply with the provisions of the Constitution, the Convention and the Resolutions, as well as any decision of the World Conference on International Telecommunications 2012 (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012) or should the consequences of reservations by any Member jeopardize its telecommunication services or result in an unacceptable increase of its contributory share towards defraying expenses of the Union.

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Original: English

#### For Trinidad and Tobago:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago reserves, for its Government, the right to take all measures it may deem necessary to protect its interests should any country not observe the provisions of the revised International Telecommunication Regulations, including the Annexes and Resolutions thereto, adopted by the Conference; or should the consequences of reservations made by other Member States directly or indirectly jeopardize the telecommunication services of Trinidad and Tobago or impair its sovereign rights.

The delegation of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago further reserves for the State and its Government the right to make any declaration or reservation or take any other appropriate action, as may be necessary, prior to ratification of the revised International Telecommunication Regulations (Dubai 2012).

Original: French

# For the Republic of Niger:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Niger declares that it reserves for its Government the right to take any measures it deems necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member States fail in any way to comply with the provisions of the Telecommunication Regulations or of the annexes thereto, or if reservations made by the other Member States should jeopardize the smooth operation of the telecommunication services of Niger.

The delegation of the Republic of Niger also declares that it reserves for its Government the right to reject any provision of these regulations which, if applied, particularly in connection with the special arrangements, could be in any way detrimental to the operation of telecommunication facilities and services or to the exercise of its sovereign right to regulate telecommunications within its territory.

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**Original:** Spanish

#### For the Republic of Guatemala:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Guatemala declares that:

- it reserves for its Administration the adoption of any measures it may deem necessary, in accordance with domestic legislation and international law, to safeguard its interests should any other members of the Union fail to observe those Final Acts or should reservations be expressed that are prejudicial to the operation of telecommunication services within its territory;
- b) it further reserves the right to amend its previous reservations and declarations and to express new ones when it decides to deposit with the International Telecommunication Union its consent to be bound by the revisions to the International Telecommunications Regulations adopted by the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012);
- the Republic of Guatemala shall be bound by the instrument contained in these Final Acts only insofar as it expressly and duly consents to be bound by that international instrument, and subject to the completion of the appropriate constitutional procedures;
- d) it reiterates and incorporates by reference all declarations made at prior Plenipotentiary Conferences and at the World Administrative Telegraph and Telephone Conference, Melbourne, 1988 (WATTC-88).

Original: Spanish

# For the Republic of Panama:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of Panama declares that it reserves for its Government the right to:

- a) take any measures it may consider necessary, in conformity with its domestic law and with international law, to safeguard its legitimate interests should those interests be affected by any failure on the part of a Member State of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) to comply with the provisions of those Final Acts or should other Member States fail to abide by the provisions of the Constitution and the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992), as amended by the Plenipotentiary Conferences of Kyoto (1994), Minneapolis (1998), Marrakesh (2002), Antalya (2006) and Guadalajara (2010);
- b) enter additional declarations or reservations, pursuant to the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, to the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) at any time it sees fit between the date of signature and the date of the possible ratification of the international instruments constituting those Acts;
- c) take any measures it may deem necessary and appropriate to protect and safeguard its national interests and rights with respect to telecommunications, should they be affected or prejudiced, directly or indirectly, by reservations expressed by other administrations or by actions not in accordance with international law;
- d) reiterate and incorporate by reference all declarations made at all prior Plenipotentiary Conferences and at the World Administrative Telegraph and Telephone Conference, Melbourne, 1988 (WATTC-88).

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Original: French

#### For Burkina Faso:

In signing the Final Acts of the 2012 World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), held in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from 3 to 14 December 2012, the delegation of Burkina Faso reserves for its Government the sovereign right:

- to take all measures and actions necessary to safeguard its rights and national interests should a member of the Union fail, in any way whatsoever, to comply with the provisions of those Acts and jeopardize the country's telecommunication/ICT services directly or indirectly or put national security and/or sovereignty at risk;
- 2) to enter additional reservations as necessary up to the time of deposit of the instruments of ratification.

Original: Arabic

#### For the Sultanate of Oman:

In signing the Final Acts, the delegation of the Sultanate of Oman to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right of its government to take any measures it deems necessary to safeguard its interests and international obligations should another ITU Member State fail, in any way, to comply with the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations adopted by this conference or with any other adopted obligations, or should any reservations made by other countries jeopardize the telecommunication services in the Sultanate of Oman.

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Original: French

#### For the Gabonese Republic:

The delegation of the Gabonese Republic reserves for its Government the right:

- to take any necessary measures to safeguard its interests should certain members fail, in any way, to comply with the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations (Dubai, 2012) or should reservations made by other members be such as to jeopardize the operation of its telecommunication services;
- 2) to enter other reservations, as necessary, up to and including the date of ratification of the International Telecommunication Regulations (Dubai, 2012) by the Gabonese Republic;
- 3) to accept or not any financial consequences that may arise from such reservations.

Original: Spanish

#### For the Dominican Republic:

The delegation of the Dominican Republic reserves for its Government the right to:

- a) take any measures it may consider necessary, in conformity with its domestic law and with international law, to safeguard its interests with respect to reservations expressed by other Member States of the Union that may undermine the full enjoyment of its sovereign rights or the smooth operation of its telecommunication services, or should other Member States fail to abide by the provisions of the Constitution and the Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992), as amended by the Plenipotentiary Conferences of Kyoto (1994), Minneapolis (1998), Marrakesh (2002), Antalya (2006) and Guadalajara (2010);
- b) enter additional declarations or reservations, pursuant to the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, to the Final Acts of the World Administrative Telegraph and Telephone Conference, Melbourne, 1988 (WATTC-88) and World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) at any time it sees fit between the date of signature and the date of the possible ratification of the international instruments constituting those Acts.

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Original: English

# For the Federal Republic of Nigeria:

The delegation of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the ITU 2012 World Conference on International Telecommunications Dubai, United Arab Emirates in signing the Final Acts of the Conference, reserves for its Government the right to make declarations and/or reservations until and up to the time of the deposit of its instrument of ratification of the amendments to the International Telecommunications Regulations (ITRs).

The Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria further reserves the right to take any action it considers necessary to safeguard its interests should other Member States fail to observe the provisions of the International Telecommunications Regulations (ITRs), or, should their continued reservations and failures jeopardize or hinder the operation of the Nigerian telecommunications/ICT services.

Original: French

# For the Republic of Burundi:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12, Dubai, UAE, 3-14 December 2012), the delegation of Burundi, on behalf of its Government, hereby enters all necessary reservations in respect of any texts that may adversely affect, directly or indirectly, its sovereignty over the establishment, operation and control of any telecommunication services, and reserves the right to take any measures it may deem necessary to protect its interests should any Member State of ITU fail in any way to comply with the provisions of the ITRs (Dubai, 2012), or should reservations entered by other Member States jeopardize the smooth operation of telecommunication services in Burundi.

Through its openness and commitment to international cooperation and its membership of ITU, Burundi remains willing to cooperate with other States in implementing the ITRs in their entirety.

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Original: English

#### For the Republic of Kenya:

The Delegation of the Republic of Kenya to the World Conference on International Telecommunications 2012 (WCIT-12), in signing the Final Acts of the Conference, hereby reserves the right of its Government to take:

- i) any action as it deems necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member State fail to comply with the requirements of these Regulations and/or Annexes or Protocols attached thereto or should reservations by such other Member States jeopardize in any way its telecommunication services;
- ii) any other actions necessary to safeguard its interest in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the Republic of Kenya.

Original: French

#### For the Republic of Mali:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Mali formally declares that it:

- a) reserves for its Government the sovereign right to take whatever measures or actions may be necessary to safeguard its rights and national interests should any Member State or Sector Member of the Union fail in any way to comply with the provisions of these Regulations, or directly or indirectly jeopardize the interests of its telecommunication services, or put the security of its national sovereignty at risk, or if the reservations made by other Member States should entail a change to its obligations towards the Union;
- b) also reserves for its Government the right not to accept any consequence of reservations made by other contracting parties or of the interpretation thereof that might jeopardize the smooth operation of the telecommunication services of the Republic of Mali;
- c) further reserves for its Government the right to express additional specific reservations with regard to the Regulations in question or to any other instrument arising from other relevant ITU conferences which has not yet been ratified, until such time as the respective instrument of ratification has been deposited.

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Original: English

#### For Brunei Darussalam:

The delegation of Brunei Darussalam reserves for its Government the right to take any action which it deems necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member of the Union fail in any way to comply with the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations adopted by the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), or should any declarations or reservations by any Member of the Union jeopardize Brunei Darussalam's telecommunication services, affect its sovereignty or lead to an increase in its contributory share towards defraying the expenses of the Union.

The delegation of Brunei Darussalam further reserves for its Government the right to make any additional reservations which it deems necessary up to and including the time of its ratification of the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012).

Original: English

#### For Thailand:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012), the Delegation of the Kingdom of Thailand:

- a) declares that, pursuant to its constitutional and internal procedural requirements, the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand shall not apply provisionally the revisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations adopted at this Conference in accordance with Article 54 of the Constitution of the International Telecommunication Union;
- b) declares that the Kingdom of Thailand shall not be deemed to have consented to be bound, and shall not be obliged to give consent to be bound by the revisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations adopted at this Conference. In respect of the Kingdom of Thailand, the consent to be bound shall be made by depositing the instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval of that revision or of accession thereto or by notifying the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union of its consent to be bound;
- reserves for its Government the right to make any additional declarations or reservations that may be deemed necessary up to the time of giving its consent to be bound;
- d) reserves for its Government the right to take any action it deems necessary to safeguard its interests and ensure compliance with its national legislation should any other Member State fail to comply with the provisions of the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012) or should an improper interpretation of certain provisions or the reservations made by other Member States be liable to jeopardize its telecommunication facilities and services or infringe its sovereign rights in any way.

Original: English

#### For the United Arab Emirates:

In considering the Final Acts of the World International Telecommunication Conference (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the United Arab Emirates formally declares that:

- The delegation of the United Arab Emirates reserves for its Government the right to take any action as it may consider necessary to safeguard its interests should they be affected by decisions taken at this conference, or by failure on the part of any other country or administration in any way to comply with the provisions of the instruments amending the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, or the Annexes or Protocols and Regulations attached thereto, or the Final Acts of this conference, or should the reservations, declarations or additional reservations and declarations by other countries or administrations jeopardize the proper and efficient operation of its telecommunication services, or infringe the full exercise of the sovereign rights of the United Arab Emirates.
- The United Arab Emirates shall not be deemed to have consented to be bound by revisions to the International Telecommunication Regulations adopted at this conference without specific notification to the International Telecommunication Union by the United Arab Emirates of its consent to be bound.
- The United Arab Emirates confirms all written and oral declarations submitted by its delegation during the Conference, separately or jointly with other Arab delegations attending the Conference, and may find it necessary to make additional declarations or reservations. Accordingly, the United Arab Emirates reserves the right to make additional declarations or reservations at the time of deposit of its instruments of ratification of these revisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations.
- 4) To take any measures it deems necessary to protect its interests, particularly its sovereign right to protect its wireless stations on its territory from harmful interference and its territory from any wireless transmission that is incompatible with its sovereign rights or that would endanger its security or its cultural values.
- 5) The signature of these Final Acts shall be considered valid only in respect of Member States of the International Telecommunication Union recognized by the United Arab Emirates.

Original: English

#### For Malaysia:

The Delegation of Malaysia hereby:

- reserves the right of its Government to take any action or preservation measures it deems necessary to safeguard its national interests should the Final Acts drawn up in the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) directly or indirectly affect its sovereignty or be in contravention with the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of Malaysia which exist and may result from any principles of international law or should reservations by any Member of the Union jeopardize Malaysia's telecommunication services or lead to an increase in its contributory share towards defraying the expenses of the Union;
- disassociates with any reference to universal human rights in these Regulations on the basis that it is not appropriate to be included in a technical document of a regulatory nature as well as being a subsidiary document to the Constitution of the ITU which does not expressly contain any reference to the same, and if at all, the reference to human rights should only appear in the said Constitution, this reservation, however, does not relate to the right of access of Member States to international telecommunication services;
- further reserves the right of its Government to make such reservations as may be necessary up to and including the time of ratification of the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012); and
- declares that the signing of these Regulations by the Delegation of Malaysia, is not valid with respect to the Member appearing under the name of Israel, and in no way implies its recognition.

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Original: English

# For the Republic of Botswana:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12), the delegation of the Republic of Botswana declares that it reserves the right for its Government:

- to take any measures that it may deem necessary to safeguard its national interests, should any Member State of the International Telecommunication Union in any way fail to comply with the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations (ITR) adopted by this conference;
- to take any measures it may deem necessary and appropriate to protect and safeguard its national interests and rights with respect to telecommunication, should they be affected or prejudiced, directly or indirectly by reservations expressed by other administrations or by actions not in accordance with international laws; and
- further declares that it reserves for its Government the right to make any statements or reservations when depositing its instruments of ratification of the Final Acts.

Original: Arabic/English

#### For the State of Kuwait:

The delegation of the State of Kuwait to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012) declares that the State of Kuwait reserves its right to take any action it considers necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member State fail to observe the provisions adopted by this conference, or failure by any Member State to comply, or should reservations by any Member State, now or in the future, jeopardize the proper operation of the telecommunication networks and services in the State of Kuwait, or its interest.

The State of Kuwait also reserves its right to make additional reservations it considers necessary to the Final Acts adopted by this conference up to the time of deposit of ratification of the Final Acts.

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**Original:** English

#### For the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam:

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam represented by the Vietnamese Delegation to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) declares:

- 1) Viet Nam reserves its right to take any action, if necessary, to safeguard its rights and interests should any other State Members in any way fail to comply with the provisions of the International Telecommunications Regulations and Appendices thereto of the International Telecommunication Union, or should reservations or declarations by other State Members jeopardize the sovereignty, rights, interests and telecommunication/ICT services of the S.R. of Viet Nam,
- 2) Viet Nam reserves its right to make additional reservations at the time of ratification/approval of these International Telecommunications Regulations.

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**Original:** Spanish

# For the Republic of El Salvador:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of El Salvador declares that it reserves for its Government the right:

to take any measures it may deem necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member State fail in any way to comply with the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations adopted by this conference, or should reservations made by other Member States jeopardize the proper functioning and satisfactory quality of the telecommunication services of El Salvador.

Original: French

#### For the Kingdom of Morocco:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Kingdom of Morocco reserves for its Government the right to take any action or measures it may deem necessary to safeguard its interests, should

- a Member State of the International Telecommunication Union fail in any way to comply with the provisions of the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) and its annexes, or should reservations made by other countries jeopardize its telecommunication services;
- the provisions of these International Telecommunication Regulations be prejudicial in any way to the operation and development of its telecommunication networks.

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Original: English

# For the Republic of Zimbabwe:

In signing the Final Acts of the World International Telecommunications Conference (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Zimbabwe declares that:

- the Government of Zimbabwe affirms its commitment to observing its obligations under these regulations but reserves its right to take such action it may consider necessary should any Member State fail to observe the provisions of these regulations or should reservations by other countries jeopardize the telecommunications services or networks of Zimbabwe;
- it reserves the right of the Government of Zimbabwe to take all subsequent measures it may deem necessary to protect its sovereignty and national interests should these regulations be used by other countries against its sovereign right to regulate the orderly development of its international as well as national telecommunications networks and services;
- 3) it does not accept any obligation to enforce any provision of the domestic laws or regulations of any Member State; and
- the government of Zimbabwe shall not be bound by any provision of these regulations where these regulations or its provisions, contravene or contradict the constitution and national laws of the Government of Zimbabwe or its commitments under any international treaty or agreement.

Original: Spanish

# For the Republic of Colombia:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Colombia:

- 1) Declares that it reserves for its Government the right:
  - a) to take any measures it considers necessary, in conformity with its domestic legislation and international law, to safeguard its national interests should other Members fail to comply with the provisions of the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), or should reservations by representatives of other States jeopardize the telecommunication services of the Republic of Colombia or its full sovereign rights;
  - b) to express reservations, under the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 1969, with regard to the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), at any time it sees fit between the date of the signature and the date of the possible ratification of the international instruments constituting those Final Acts.
- 2) Declares that the Republic of Colombia shall be bound by the instrument contained in the Final Acts only insofar as it expressly and duly consents to be bound by that international instrument, and subject to the completion of the appropriate constitutional procedures.
- 3) Declares that, pursuant to its constitutional requirements, its Government cannot give provisional effect to the international instruments which constitute the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012).

Original: English

#### For the Islamic Republic of Iran:

In the Name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful.

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran formally declares that:

- The delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran reserves for its Government the right to take any action as it may consider necessary to safeguard its interests should they be affected by decisions taken at this conference, or by failure on the part of any other country or administration in any way to comply with the provisions of the instruments amending the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, or the Annexes or Protocols and Regulations attached thereto, or the Final Acts of this conference, or should the reservations, declarations or additional reservations by other countries or administrations jeopardize the proper and efficient operation of its telecommunication services, or infringe the full exercise of the sovereign rights of the Islamic Republic of Iran.
- 2) The delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran reserves for its Government the right to make additional reservations when ratifying the Final Acts of this Conference.
- 3) It also reserves for its Government the right not to accept the consequences of any reservations made by other contracting parties which *inter alia* might jeopardize the smooth and efficient functioning of the telecommunication services of the I.R. of Iran.

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Original: English

#### For the Republic of South Africa:

The delegation of the Republic of South Africa, in signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), reserves the right of its Government:

- to take any such action as it may consider necessary to safeguard its interests, should any Member of the Union fail in any way to comply with the provisions of the International Telecommunications Regulations (Dubai, 2012) amending the International Telecommunications Regulations (Melbourne, 1988) or should reservations by such Members directly or indirectly affect the operation of its telecommunication services or its sovereignty; and
- to make such additional reservations as may be necessary up to and including the time of ratification by the Republic of South Africa of the International Telecommunications Regulations (Dubai, 2012) amending the International Telecommunications Regulations (Melbourne, 1988).

Original: English

#### For Sweden:

Sweden notes that "Resolution PLEN/3 (Dubai, 2012) To foster an enabling environment for the greater growth of the Internet in the International Telecommunications Regulations" does not address the full picture of the environment and situation of the Internet and Internet Governance. The resolution only quotes parts of the Tunis Agenda (2005) that contains a number of important aspects on Internet Governance. One of those aspects cannot be referenced to in isolation, as is the case in the clause "recognizing e)" of the resolution. In particular § 55 of the Tunis Agenda states the following. "We recognize that the existing arrangements for Internet governance have worked to make the Internet the highly robust, dynamic and geographically diverse medium that it is today, with the private sector taking the lead in day-to-day operations, and with innovation and value creation at the edges."

Sweden therefore considers that this resolution does not do justice to all stakeholders involved in Internet related matters, and that it does not recognize the fully working, self-developing, bottom-up multi-stakeholder formats that work and evolve today on the Internet.

Sweden also considers that the public Internet and other Internet Protocol-based networks and services, whether governmental, public or private, are outside the scope of the International Telecommunication Regulations.

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Original: English

# For Guyana:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Guyana reserves for its Government, the right to take any measures it might deem necessary to safeguard its interests if another Member State of the Union, in any way, fails to respect and comply with the conditions specified in the Final Acts, or if the reservations/declarations made by any Member State should be prejudicial to the operation of, or directly or indirectly jeopardize/hamper the Telecommunication Services of the Republic of Guyana, or impair its sovereign rights.

The delegation of the Republic of Guyana further reserves for its Government the right to make any declaration or reservation or take any other action, it might deem necessary, prior to ratification of the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012).

Original: Spanish

#### For Cuba:

- In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of Cuba reserves for its Government the right to take such action as it may consider necessary to safeguard its interests, should other Member States:
- 1.1 use international telecommunication services for purposes contrary to those established in the Preamble to the Constitution of the International Telecommunication Union;
- 1.2 fail to comply with the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations;
- take actions not approved under the Regulations which cause harm to the operation and development of the country's telecommunications or impede access to international public telecommunication networks and services, including access to the Internet.
- The delegation of Cuba, in accordance with the principles laid down in the ITU Constitution, reserves for its Government the right to take all appropriate measures on its national territory to protect itself against any telecommunication transmission which affects the security of the State, or conflicts with the country's cultural heritage and values, or violates the sovereignty of the Nation.
- 3 The delegation of Cuba incorporates by reference the declarations and reservations entered in Cuba's name at previous plenipotentiary conferences and world radiocommunication conferences with respect to international telecommunications.
- The delegation of Cuba further reserves for its Government the right to make any additional declaration or reservation that it may consider necessary until the time of its ratification of these Final Acts.

Original: English

# For the Republic of Mozambique:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Mozambique declares as follows:

- that, it reserves the rights of its Government to take any measures which it deems necessary to safeguard and protect its interests on the decision taken by the conference in modifying, amending, deleting and adding provisions, footnotes, resolutions and recommendations in the International Telecommunications Regulations (ITRs), should any Member of the Union fail, in any way, to comply with the provisions of the ITRs and its Appendices, in using its existing services and introducing new services for telecommunications and other applications or should any reservation made by other Members jeopardize the proper operation of its telecommunication services, or infringe the full exercise of the sovereign rights of the Republic of Mozambique;
- b) that, the delegation of the Republic of Mozambique further reserves the rights of its Government to make additional declarations or reservations as may be necessary when depositing its instruments for ratification of the Final Acts (ITRs) of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012).

Original: English/Russian

#### For the Russian Federation:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Delegation of the Russian Federation declares that:

proceeds from the assumption that views the Internet as a new global telecommunication infrastructure, and also as a part of the national telecommunication infrastructure of each Member State, and, accordingly, at ensuring that Internet numbering, naming, addressing and identification resources are considered a critical transnational resource,

and reserves for its Government the right to:

- establish and implement public policy, including international policy, on matters of Internet governance, and ensure security of the national Internet segment, as well as regulate within their territory the activities of operating agencies providing Internet access or carrying Internet traffic;
- 2) establish policies aimed at meeting public requirements with respect to Internet access and use;
- take necessary regulatory measures to ensure security and confidence in provision international telecommunications services, provide implementation of these measures by operating agencies;
- 4) take any action it may deem necessary to protect its sovereign rights and interests in the sphere of telecommunications should violation of the Regulations or reservations, or actions taken by other Member States jeopardize its telecommunication services.

Original: English

#### For the Azerbaijani Republic:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan reserves the following rights for itself:

- To take any appropriate measure in order to protect sovereignty, integral rights and national interests, if any State Member of the Union would not observe the provisions of the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, and International Telecommunication Regulations and if the activities of any other unions or third states would violate or threaten the national sovereignty of the Republic of Azerbaijan.
- To take any appropriate measure to protect the interests of the Republic of Azerbaijan, if any member of the Union would not take part in the payment of the expenses of the Union or the reservations of the other members of the Union would enlarge the amount of the membership fee of the Republic of Azerbaijan or would end with other financial result or would threaten telecommunication services of the Republic of Azerbaijan directly or indirectly.
- Not to accept in respect of the Republic of Azerbaijan any provision of the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, International Telecommunication Regulations influencing to the sovereignty of the Republic of Azerbaijan directly or indirectly and contrary to the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

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Original: English

#### For the Republic of Korea:

The delegation of the Republic of Korea, in signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), reserves for its Government the right to take any action that it may consider necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member State fail in any way to comply with the requirements of the International Telecommunication Regulations of the International Telecommunication Union, as amended by the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), or should reservations by other countries jeopardize its interests in any way.

In addition, the Republic of Korea reserves the right of its Government to make any additional declaration and reservation it may consider necessary prior to or at the time of its ratification, acceptance or approval of the amendments to the International Telecommunication Regulations (Melbourne, 1988) which are adopted by the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012).

Original: English

#### For the Republic of Singapore:

The delegation of the Republic of Singapore reserves for its Government the right to take any action it considers necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member of the Union fail in any way to comply with the requirements of the International Telecommunication Regulations (Dubai, 2012), including the Appendices and the Final Protocol, or should reservations by any Member of the Union jeopardize the Republic of Singapore's telecommunication services, affect its sovereignty or lead to an increase in its contributory share towards defraying the expenses of the Union.

The delegation of Singapore also reserves for its Government the right to make additional declarations or reservations, when notifying its consent to be bound by or when depositing its instrument of ratification for the International Telecommunication Regulations (Dubai, 2012), including the Appendices and the Final Protocol.

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Original: English

#### For the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan:

In signing the present regulations at the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12), the delegation of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan declares that it firmly reserves for its government the right to take any action it deems necessary to safeguard its interests:

- if any member fails to observe the provisions of the present Regulations;
- if the application of certain provisions in the present Regulations should jeopardize the operation and the development of its country's telecommunication services and networks;
- if the application of certain provisions in the present Regulations may in any form affect the National interest/security and its authority to regulate all telecommunications activities of any person, organization and operating agency.

The delegation of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan recalls that if any member makes reservations in connection with the application of one or more provisions of these Regulations, its country is not obliged to observe the provision(s) concerned in its relations with the member which made the reservations.

Original: Spanish

#### For the Eastern Republic of Uruguay:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay declares that it reserves for its Government the right:

- to take any action it considers necessary to safeguard its interests, should other
   Members of the International Telecommunication Union fail in any way to observe the
   Final Acts and their Regulations, or should reservations by other Members jeopardize
   the proper functioning of its telecommunication services or its full sovereign rights;
- to make additional reservations, under the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 1969, to the Final Acts of the World Conference on International
   Telecommunications of the International Telecommunication Union (Dubai, 2012) at any time it sees fit between the date of the signature and the date of the possible ratification of the international instruments constituting these Final Acts.

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Original: English

#### For the Republic of Bulgaria:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Delegation of the Republic of Bulgaria declares that Bulgaria will apply the International Telecommunication Regulations in accordance with our obligations under the Treaty on the European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

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**Original:** Arabic/English

#### For the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia:

The delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012) declares that the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia reserves its right to take any action it considers necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member State fail to observe the provisions adopted by this conference, or failure by any Member State to comply, or should reservations by any Member State, now or in the future, jeopardize the proper operation of the telecommunication networks and services in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, or its interest. The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia reserves its right to take any other action in accordance with its statutes and legislations.

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia also reserves its right to make additional reservations it considers necessary to the Final Acts adopted by this conference up to the time of deposit of ratification of the Final Acts.

Original: English

#### For Jamaica:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), of the International Telecommunication Union, the delegation of Jamaica reserves for its Government the right to question any act or resolution that may be contrary to its Constitution, national sovereignty, fundamental interests or telecommunication services.

The delegation of Jamaica also reserves for its Government the right to:

- take any action it considers necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member State fail in any way to observe the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations and the Appendices attached thereto or should the consequences of reservations made by other Member States directly or indirectly jeopardize the telecommunication services of Jamaica or impair its sovereign rights; and
- 2) make any other declarations or reservations until such time as it shall ratify these Regulations (Dubai, 2012).

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Original: English

# For the Republic of Uganda:

In signing the final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Delegation of the Republic of Uganda reserves the right of its Government to take all necessary measures it may deem necessary to protect its interests should any country not observe the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations adopted by the Conference.

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Original: English

# For the Republic of Rwanda:

In signing the International Telecommunication Regulations (ITRs-2012), the delegation of the Republic of Rwanda reserves for its Government the right to take any action it deems necessary to protect its interests under the national legislation and international treaties to which Rwanda has subscribed if some Member States of the ITU did not observe in any manner whatsoever, the provisions of the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union related to these Regulations, or if reservations by other countries were against its interests.

Original: English

#### For the United Republic of Tanzania:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference of International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania declares that its Government reserves the right to take any action it may deem necessary to protect its interests should reservations or any other action by any Member jeopardize its telecommunication services.

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Original: English

# For Turkey:

In signing the International Telecommunication Regulations of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Turkey:

- 1) reserves for its Government the right to take any action as it may consider necessary to safeguard its interests, should any Member State, in any way, fail to comply with the International Telecommunication Regulations (Dubai, 2012), or the annexes thereto, or should any reservation made by any Member State jeopardize the proper operation of its telecommunication services;
- 2) reserves for its Government the right, if necessary, to make further reservations to the present International Telecommunication Regulations;
- formally declares that reservations previously made with regard to the Constitution, Convention and Administrative Regulations of the Union shall prevail unless declared otherwise;
- in signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) declares that it will implement the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations only to the State parties with which it has diplomatic relations;
- further reserves for its Government the right to make any other declarations or reservations until and up to the time that International Telecommunication Regulations are ratified by the Republic of Turkey.

Original: Arabic

# For the Republic of the Sudan:

The delegation of the Republic of Sudan, in signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), reserves for its Government the right to take all actions and measures it deems necessary to safeguard its national interests should any member of the Union fail in any way to comply with the provisions of the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union and the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), or should reservations by any Member State in any way jeopardize telecommunication services in its territory. The Republic of Sudan also reserves the right to respond appropriately to any other damages that may result from any attack on its sovereignty, and its right to access global telecommunication networks and services.

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Original: Spanish

#### For Mexico:

The Mexican delegation, in signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), reserves for its Government the right:

- to take any measures it considers appropriate to protect and safeguard its sovereignty and its interests and, in particular, to protect its existing and planned telecommunication networks, systems and services, should any Member State of the Union fail in any way to comply with or apply the provisions contained in these Acts, including the Decisions, recommendations, resolutions and annexes that form an integral part thereof, and those contained in the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, or should declarations or reservations made by any Member State of the Union affect the smooth operation of its telecommunication networks, systems or services;
- to take such measures as it may consider necessary to safeguard its interests with regard to the scope of the International Telecommunication Regulations and the substance of each of its provisions including aspects relating to interconnection, interoperability, tariffs, quality of service, transparency, security and economic aspects, which might harm the country, in themselves or as a result of acts by other Member States;
- to make, under the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, new reservations to these Final Acts at any time it sees fit, between the date of signature and the date of ratification of these Acts, in accordance with the procedures established under its domestic legislation, and not to consider itself bound by any provision of these Acts which might restrict its right to express such reservations as it deems relevant; and in addition to the foregoing, the reservations entered by the Government of the United Mexican States upon signing and ratifying the Final Acts of past World Administrative Telegraph and Telephone Conferences, as well as those entered at the time of signature and ratification of the Final Acts of the Additional Plenipotentiary Conference (Geneva, 1992) and subsequent Plenipotentiary Conferences up to Guadalajara, 2010, are reaffirmed and reproduced herein as if they had been repeated in full.

Original: Spanish

# For the Republic of Chile:

The Republic of Chile, having noted the reservations and declarations contained in the Acts of the Plenary of this World Conference on International Telecommunications, reserves for its Government the right to make, under the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 1969, reservations to these Final Acts and to the International Telecommunication Regulations at any time it sees fit, between the date of signature and the date of ratification of the international instruments making up said Final Acts and Regulations.

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Original: English

#### For the Kingdom of Bahrain:

The delegation of the Kingdom of Bahrain to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012) declares that the Kingdom of Bahrain reserves its right to take any action it considers necessary to safeguard its interests should any Member State fail to observe the provisions adopted by this conference, or failure by any Member State to comply, or should reservations by any Member State, now or in the future, jeopardize the proper operation of the telecommunication networks and services in the Kingdom of Bahrain, or its interests. The Kingdom of Bahrain reserves its right to take any other action in accordance with its statutes and legislations.

The Kingdom of Bahrain also reserves its right to make additional reservations it considers necessary to the Final Acts adopted by this conference up to the time of deposit of ratification of the Final Acts.

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Original: Arabic/English

For the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of Bahrain, United Arab Emirates, Islamic Republic of Iran, Republic of Iraq, State of Kuwait, Lebanon, Kingdom of Morocco, Sultanate of Oman, Republic of the Sudan, Tunisia:

The above-mentioned delegations to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) (Dubai, 2012) declare that the signature and possible ratification by their respective Governments of the Final Acts of this conference, should not be valid for the Union Member under the name "Israel", and in no way whatsoever imply its recognition by these Governments.

Original: English

#### For the Kingdom of Lesotho:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (WCIT-12) held in Dubai from 3 to 14 December 2012, the delegation of the Kingdom of Lesotho reserves the right to:

- take such action as it may deem necessary to protect its interests in the regulation and overall management of its telecommunications sector in line with any relevant laws that may be promulgated from time to time; and
- 2) make any additional reservations deemed necessary in relation to the Final Acts of WCIT-12 held in Dubai.

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Original: English

# For Papua New Guinea:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Papua New Guinea delegation reserves for its Government the right to take such measures as it might deem necessary to safeguard its interests should any other Member State of the International Telecommunication Union in any way fail to respect the conditions specified in the Final Acts or if the reservations or declarations made by any Member State be prejudicial or detrimental to Papua new Guinea's interests. In addition, the delegation of Papua New Guinea reserves for its Government the right to make additional declarations or reservations prior to ratification of the Final Acts.

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Original: Russian

# For the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Uzbekistan and Ukraine:

The delegations of the above-mentioned countries reserve for their respective Governments the right to make any statements or reservations when ratifying the International Telecommunication Regulations (Dubai, 2012), and the right to take any action they may consider necessary to safeguard their interests should any Member State of the Union fail in any way to comply with the provisions of the Final Acts of this conference, or should reservations made when signing these Final Acts, or other actions by any Member State of the Union, jeopardize the normal operation of the telecommunication services of the above-mentioned countries.

Original: English

# For the Republic of Poland:

- 1) The Delegation of the Republic of Poland to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Republic of Poland declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

59

Original: English

# For the Republic of South Sudan:

In reviewing the declarations and reservations made by Member States and contained in the International Telecommunications Regulations (ITRs), the delegation of the Republic of South Sudan to the WCIT-12 herewith declares on behalf of its Government and on behalf of the powers conferred on it that:

- 1) It reserves the right for its Government to take any measures and actions it deems necessary to safeguard its interests, should any Member State of the Union fail to abide by the provisions of these final ITRs or comply with them or should reservations, made by other countries, jeopardize the efficient operation of its telecommunication services.
- 2) It accepts, or not to accept, any consequences deriving from the application by other administrations, or telecommunication operating agencies in their territories, of the Final ITRs Act of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Regulations and associated instruments, should these be deemed prejudicial to South Sudan's national interests or detrimental to its domestic telecommunications.
- 3) The Republic of South Sudan reserves the right to make additional reservations at the time of deposit of its instruments of ratification of these revisions of the ITRs Act.

Original: French

# For the Republic of Senegal:

- In signing these Final Acts, the delegation of the Republic of Senegal declares on behalf
  of its Government that it accepts no consequences arising from reservations made by
  other governments.
- In addition, the Republic of Senegal reserves the right to take any action it deems necessary to safeguard its interests should any Members fail to comply with the provisions contained in the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) and the associated appendices and resolutions, or should reservations by other countries tend to jeopardize the proper operation of its international telecommunication systems and services.

61

Original: English

#### For the State of Qatar:

- In signing the Final Acts of the WCIT (Dubai, 2012), the Delegation of the State of Qatar having considered the revised text of the International Telecommunications

  Regulations declares that it does not, by signature of these ITRs, nor by any subsequent approval thereof:
  - a) accept obligation to enforce any provision of the domestic law or regulation of any Member State,
  - b) endorse, in any way, domestic procedures of other Member States which would require approval for providers of telecommunication services to do business outside of Qatar,
  - c) accept any obligation in respect of the application of any provision of these ITRs to service other than public correspondence services.
- The delegation of the State of Qatar reserves the rights of its Government to take any action it deems necessary to safeguard its interests and the interests of its inhabitants and ensure compliance with its legislation as regards the application by any country of dispositions related to security and robustness of networks.
- 3) It is the understanding of the delegation of the State of Qatar that its rights and obligations are determined by the ITRs (Melbourne, 1988) among Member Parties thereto until the State of Qatar and such Parties express their consent to be bound by these revised ITRs (Dubai, 2012) in accordance with the basic instrument of the ITU to which the Party is a member.

Original: English

# For the Slovak Republic:

- 1) The Delegation of the Slovak Republic to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Slovak Republic declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

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Original: English

# For the Republic of Lithuania:

- 1) The Delegation of the Republic of Lithuania to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Republic of Lithuania declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

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Original: English

#### For the Republic of Slovenia:

- The Delegation of the Republic of Slovenia to the World Conference on International Telecommunications 2012 (Dubai) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Republic of Slovenia declares that, as from accession, its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

65

Original: English

# For the Republic of Latvia:

- 1) The Delegation of the Republic of Latvia to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Republic of Latvia declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

**Original:** English

# For Italy:

- 1) The Delegation of the Republic of Italy to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Republic of Italy declares that as from accession its Government will apply the International Telecommunication Regulations in accordance with their obligations under the Treaty on the European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

67

Original: English

#### For the Republic of Moldova:

The Delegation of the Republic of Moldova to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves for its Government the right to take any action it may deem necessary to safeguard its interests, should Members fail to observe the provisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations or should reservations by other countries jeopardize the proper operation of its telecommunication services in the event of any other actions that might encroach upon its sovereignty.

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Original: English

#### For the Czech Republic:

- 1) The Delegation of the Czech Republic to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Czech Republic declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

Original: English

#### For the Federal Republic of Germany:

- 1) The Delegation of Germany to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of Germany declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

70

Original: English

# For the Republic of Iraq:

In reviewing the document No. 65 (WCIT-12), the Republic of Iraq had the following reservation statement:

In signing these Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Delegation of Iraq (Republic of) reserves for its Government the right to take all necessary measures to safeguard its interests should other Member States fail to comply with the provisions of these International Telecommunications Regulations, its Appendices or associated documents, adopted by the conference, or should reservations by other Member States result in jeopardy to the telecommunication services of Iraq (Republic of).

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**Original:** English

#### For Portugal:

- The Delegation of Portugal to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of Portugal declares that as from accession its
  Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the
  Treaty establishing the European Union.

Original: English

#### For the Republic of Cyprus:

In signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Republic of Cyprus reserves for its Government the right to take such measures as it may deem necessary to safeguard its interests should other Member States fail to comply with the provisions of these Final Acts or use these provisions for purposes contrary to those established in the Preamble to the Constitution of the International Telecommunication Union.

Accordingly, the Republic of Cyprus reserves the right to make additional declarations or reservations at the time of deposit of its instruments of ratification of these revisions to the International Telecommunications Regulations. The Republic of Cyprus shall not be deemed to have consented to be bound by revisions to the International Telecommunications Regulations adopted at this Conference without the specific notification to the International Telecommunication Union by the Republic of Cyprus of its consent to be bound.

Finally, in signing the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), the Republic of Cyprus declares that the Republic of Cyprus will apply the International Telecommunication Regulations in accordance with their obligations under the Treaty on the European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

**73** 

Original: English

#### For Austria:

- The Delegation of Austria to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of Austria declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

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Original: English

#### For Malta:

- The Delegation of Malta to the World Conference on International
   Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of Malta declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

Original: English

#### For Ireland:

- The Delegation of Ireland to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of Ireland declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

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Original: English

# For the Arab Republic of Egypt:

In considering the Final Acts of the World International Telecommunication Conference (Dubai, 2012), the delegation of the Arab Republic of Egypt formally declares that:

- the delegation of the Arab Republic of Egypt reserves for its Government the right to take any action as it may consider necessary to safeguard its interests should they be affected by decisions taken at this conference, or by failure on the part of any other country or administration in any way to comply with the provisions of the instruments amending the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union, or the Annexes or Protocols and Regulations attached thereto;
- 2) moreover, to take any measures it deems necessary to protect its interests, particularly its sovereign right to protect its wireless stations on its territory from harmful interference and its territory from any wireless transmission that is incompatible with its sovereign rights or that would endanger its security or its cultural values;
- the Arab Republic of Egypt shall not be deemed to have consented to be bound by revisions to the International Telecommunication Regulations adopted at this conference without specific notification to the International Telecommunication Union by the Arab Republic of Egypt of its consent to be bound, accordingly, the Arab Republic of Egypt reserves the right to make additional declarations or reservations at the time of deposit of its instruments of ratification after fulfilment of its national procedures including parliament's approval, of these revisions of the International Telecommunication Regulations;
- the Arab Republic of Egypt has the right to make any further reservations and additional declarations until such time as the instruments adopted by this conference enter into force, or the Final Acts of this conference, or should the reservations, declarations or additional reservations and declarations by other countries or administrations jeopardize the proper and efficient operation of its telecommunication services, or infringe the full exercise of the sovereign rights of the Arab Republic of Egypt;
- 5) the signature of these Final Acts shall be considered valid only in respect of Member States of the International Telecommunication Union recognized by the Arab Republic of Egypt.

Original: English

# For the Republic of Croatia:

The Delegation of the Republic of Croatia to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.

Furthermore, the Delegation of the Republic of Croatia, as a future EU Member State, declares that upon its accession to the European Union, and as from the date of accession of its Government to these Regulations, it shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

**78** 

Original: English

#### For Greece:

- 1) The Delegation of the Hellenic Republic (Greece) to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Hellenic Republic (Greece) declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

**79** 

Original: English

# For Hungary:

- The Delegation of Hungary to the World Conference on International
   Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of Hungary declares that as from accession its
  Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the
  Treaty on the European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European
  Union.

Original: Spanish

#### For Costa Rica:

The Government of Costa Rica recognizes the leadership that the International Telecommunication Union has maintained in matters of connectivity and telecommunication. It will thus continue working and collaborating on projects of common interest. However, it is taking the decision not to sign the Final Acts of the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012). We express our concern regarding their possible implications for the unrestricted use of the Internet and the role of governments in the control thereof.

At the same time, it declares that it reserves for its Government the right in general:

- to take any measures it considers necessary to safeguard its interests should any party having decided to sign the Regulations, or should the reservations made by any such party, jeopardize the smooth operation of its international telecommunication services or its full sovereign rights;
- to enter additional reservations, pursuant to the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties;
- to maintain the provisions of article 2 of Law 8100, "Approval of the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (signed in Geneva on 22 December 1992) and the Instrument Amending the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Kyoto, 1994)", of 04 April 2002.

Original: Spanish

# For Spain:

#### Reservation 1:

At the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012), Spain declares that it will apply the International Telecommunication Regulations in conformity with its obligations deriving from the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

#### Reservation 2:

With respect to the reservations made by a number of delegations concerning the conditions for the provision of international telecommunication services, the delegation of Spain at the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) declares that such reservations will in no way constitute a valid argument for avoidance of the application of Spanish domestic law on the part of any entity which, directly or indirectly, seeks to provide such services on Spanish territory or through the Spanish telecommunication network.

#### Reservation 3:

The Spanish delegation declares on behalf of its Government that it does not accept any declaration or reservation expressed by other governments which might imply an increase in its financial obligations.

#### Reservation 4:

The Spanish delegation, pursuant to the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 23 May 1969, reserves for Spain the right to express reservations to the Final Acts adopted by the present conference up to the time of deposit of the appropriate instrument of ratification.

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Original: English

#### For the Kingdom of the Netherlands:

- 1) The Delegation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the World Conference on International Telecommunications (Dubai, 2012) reserves the right for its Government to make any declaration or reservation until it shall accede to these Regulations.
- 2) Furthermore, the Delegation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands declares that as from accession its Government shall apply these Regulations in accordance with its obligations under the Treaty establishing the European Union.

Original: English

# For the Republic of Albania:

The Delegation of the Republic of Albania, declares that it reserves its country's right to further consult the Government and stakeholders on signing the Final Acts. If the ITRs are signed, these will be applied to the extent that they do not contradict *acquis communautaire*. The Republic of Albania would like to declare the commitment to continue its engagement to ITU and to continue the cooperation with all Member States.

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Original: English

# For the Republic of Serbia:

The delegation of the Republic of Serbia declares that it reserves its country's right to further consult the Government and stakeholders on signing the Final Acts. The Republic of Serbia would like to underline that we are committed to continue its engagement to ITU and to continue its cooperation with all Member States.