

# **Final Report**

**VI Meeting of COM/CITEL**



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**Inter-american Telecommunication Commission  
ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES**

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**I. AGENDA OF THE VI MEETING OF COM/CITEL**

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Naming of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of COM/VITEL (Article 15 of the Statute)
3. Calendar of Meetings for 1998
4. Draft agenda for the VII Meeting of COM/CITEL
5. Approval of the Final Report

**II. AUTHORITIES OF THE MEETING**

**Chairman** - Mario Burbano de Lara - Ecuador

**Vice-Chairperson** - Paula Córdoba - Argentina

**Executive Secretary of CITEL** - Roberto Blois

**III. Integration of the Members of COM/CITEL**

As a result of the decisions taken by the Second CITEL Assembly, COM/CITEL is now comprised of the following members.

Chairman: Mr. Mario Burbano de Lara of Ecuador

Vice-Chairperson: Ms. Paula Córdoba of Argentina

Members: Brazil, Canada, Colombia, United States,  
Grenada, Honduras, México, Paraguay,  
Uruguay

**IV. RESOLUTION**

**COM/CITEL RES. 60 (VI-98)**

**DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE VII COM/CITEL**

The Sixth Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL (COM/CITEL),

**RESOLVES:**

To approve the attached draft agenda for the 1998 regular session of COM/CITEL.

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**Annex 1**

**Draft Agenda****Seventh Meeting of Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL (COM/CITEL)**

7-11 December 1998/Quito, Ecuador

1. Approval of the Agenda and Schedule of Activities.
2. Establishment of the Working Groups and the Structure of the Meeting.
3. Report by the chairman of COM/CITEL.
4. Reports of the Chairpersons of the Permanent Consultative Committees, the Joint Working Group on Legal Matters, and the Working Groups of COM/CITEL.
5. Report of the Ad Hoc Group on the Functioning and Structure of CITEL
6. Approval of the Annual Report on the activities of CITEL
7. Strategic Plan of CITEL.
8. Report on the follow-up activities originating from the Summit of the Americas
9. Follow-up activities from the Senior Telecommunication Officials Meeting.
10. Program-Budget and Schedule of Meetings for 1999
11. Electronic Document Handling in CITEL.
12. Improvement on CITEL working methods
13. Proposals to modify the Statute and the Regulations.
14. Follow-up on the Decisions of the 1998 CITEL Assembly
15. Improving coordination with Regional and International Telecommunication Organizations
16. ITU Centers of Excellence and CITEL Training Centers
17. Implications of the 1998 ITU Plenipotentiary Conference
18. Implications of the 1998 ITU Policy Forum
19. Implications of the 1998 ITU World Telecommunications Development Conference
20. Resolutions of the OAS General Assembly affecting CITEL
21. Situation of Associate Members
22. Date, agenda and place of the next meeting.
23. Approval of the reports from the Working Groups
24. Other business
25. Approval of the Final Report.

**V. DECISIONS****COM/CITEL DEC. 16 (VI-98)****Implications For CITEL of Three Important ITU Meetings in 1998**

The Sixth Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL (COM/CITEL),

**CONSIDERING:**

The importance of the matters to be dealt with at the ITU Policy Forum, the World Telecommunications development Conference and the Plenipotentiary Conference,

**DECIDES:**

1. That the chairmen of the Ad Hoc Groups for the preparations for the Plenipotentiary Conference and the World Telecommunications Development Conference will be responsible for preparing a paper on the implications for CITEL of the decisions taken at these conferences and to present their papers to COM/CITEL in December.
2. That the Executive Secretary, working together with the member countries attending the Forum, will prepare a short paper on the implications of the discussions at the ITU Policy Forum and submit it to the annual meeting of the Steering committee in August.

**COM/CITEL DEC. 17 (VI-98)**  
**Schedule of CITEL Meeting for the Remainder of 1998**

The Sixth Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL (COM/CITEL),

**DECIDES:**

To adopt the attached meeting schedule for the remainder of 1998.

**Annex 1.**

**CITEL Calendar of Meetings for 1998**

**Permanent Consultative Committee I: Public Telecommunication Services**

Forum of CITEL/PCC.I in Telecommunications	13-17 April, in Buenos Aires, Argentina
VIII Meeting	16-20 November, in Colombia

**Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting**

IV Meeting	17-21 August, in Montevideo, Uruguay
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**Permanent Consultative Committee III: Radiocommunications**

X Meeting	8-12 June, in San Paulo, Brazil
XI Meeting <sup>1</sup>	14-18 September, in Lima Peru

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<sup>1</sup> Consideration will be given to holding a joint meeting with PCC.II

**Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL (COM/CITEL)**

VII Meeting

7-11 December in Ecuador

**Steering Committee**

V Meeting

3-4 August at OAS in Washington

**Working Group on the Structure and Functioning of CITEL**

5-6 August at OAS in Washington

**Ad Hoc Group on the Preparations for the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference**

7 August at OAS in Washington

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**ATTACHMENT No. 1****Minutes of the VI Meeting of COM/CITEL***6 March 1998**Quito, Ecuador*

The meeting was opened by Mr Ernesto Dehl, the outgoing Chairman of COM/CITEL. In a short opening ceremony, the chairmanship was transferred to Mr Mario Burbano de Lara of Ecuador. Argentina, site of the third Regular meeting of the CITEL Assembly, was installed as Vice-Chairman of COM/CITEL. The delegate of Argentina informed that they would provide the name of the representative that will occupy this post afterwards. The composition of the new COM/CITEL consists of Brazil, Canada, Colombia, United States, Grenada, Honduras, Mexico, Paraguay, Uruguay, Argentina and Ecuador.

After modifying the draft agenda, the meeting addressed the schedule of meetings for the remainder of 1998. The schedule decided upon is contained in the final report of the meeting.

The next item on the agenda was to prepare a draft agenda for the VII session of COM/CITEL to be held 7-11 December 1998 in Ecuador. Two modifications were made to the draft agenda. Two items were combined and one item dealing with the ITU Policy Forum was added. The implications of three ITU Meeting being held this year were discussed. It was decided that the chairmen of the Ad Hoc Groups for the preparations for the Plenipotentiary Conference and the World Telecommunications Development Conference be responsible for preparing a paper on the implications for CITEL of the decisions taken at these conferences and to present their papers at COM/CITEL in December. Third ITU meeting discussed was the Policy Forum. It was decided that the Executive Secretary, working together with the member countries attending the Forum, will prepare a short paper on the implications of the discussions at the ITU Policy Forum.

The meeting was then adjourned.