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**FINAL REPORT**  
**FOURTH MEETING OF THE PERMANENT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE II:**  
**BROADCASTING (PCC.II)**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting was held in Montevideo, 18 to 21, August, 1998.

**I. AGENDA<sup>1</sup>**

1. Approval of the Agenda and Calendar of Activities.
2. Assignment of the drafting Working Group for the Final Report.
3. Reports from the PCC.II Working Group Chairpersons:
  - 3.1 Local Multipoint Distribution Systems (LMDS)
  - 3.2 Digital Audio Broadcasting.
  - 3.3 Coordination of incompatibilities of the Rio de Janeiro Plan of 1981.
  - 3.4 Review of the mandate and working methods to develop a future vision for PCC.II.
4. Report of the Joint Working Group on Legal Matters and Administrative Procedures.
5. TV broadcasting
  - 5.1 Digital TV Broadcasting. (DTV)
  - 5.2 Direct Broadcast Satellites. (DBS/DTH).
  - 5.3 Television by Cable (subscribers).
6. Report of the WRC-97.
7. Report of the CITELE Assembly of 1998.
8. Report of the World Telecommunication Development Conference of the ITU, 1998.
9. Report of the Plenipotentiary Conference of the ITU, 1998.
10. Preparations for the 2000 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC 00).
11. Other matters.
12. Date, agenda and site of the next meeting.
13. Approval of the Final Report.

**II. MEETING AUTHORITIES**

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| Chairman:  | Mr. Diego Souto (Uruguay)            |
| Vice Chairman:   | Mr. Miguel Pesado (Argentina)        |
| Executive Secretary  | Mr. Roberto Blois (CITELE)           |
| Chairman of the Group for the<br>Drafting of the Final Report: | Mr. Oscar Mecol (Uruguay)            |
| Members :  | Ms. Silvina Castro (Argentina)       |
|  | Mr. Oscar Verazzi (Argentina)        |
|  | Ms. Guy Christiansen (United States) |
|  | Mr. William Muller (United States)   |
|  | Ms. Mary Pitelli (United States)     |
|  | Ms. Graciela Coronel (Uruguay)       |

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<sup>1</sup> Document PCC.II/doc.156/98 (E).

### III. RESOLUTIONS

#### PCC.II/RES. 15 (IV-98)<sup>2</sup>

#### STUDIES AND ESTABLISHMENT OF DIGITAL SOUND BROADCASTING SYSTEMS

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting,

#### CONSIDERING:

- a) The DSB worldwide technological development;
- b) The need for collecting technical data on the studies, experiments, operational experiences, field tests and plans for the future DSB implementation;
- c) The importance of gathering information on the regulatory plans for DSB implementation;
- d) That several Administrations in the Region, in compliance with the mandate issued by the First Meeting of Permanent Consultative Committee II and in accordance with their development plans, have decided to establish a digital sound broadcasting service in the next few years;
- e) That some of the above services are delivered on a trans-border basis, thus making it advisable their study in a multilateral environment;
- f) That the following should be studied in depth:
  - (i) the impact on the radioelectrical spectrum;
  - (ii) the general features of the systems, and
  - (iii) the considerations on band sharing, among other aspects.

#### RESOLVES:

1. The Working Group on Digital Sound Broadcasting will develop, among others, the following activities:
  - a) the collection of the relevant technical information;
  - b) the study and analysis of the radioelectrical spectrum associated to service bands and other matters related to frequency sharing;<sup>3</sup>
  - c) the study of current and future technologies;
  - d) the in-depth analysis of experiences in other Administrations.
2. To hold a seminar on Digital Sound Broadcasting during the Fifth Meeting of PCC.II, along the following guidelines:
  - a) the seminar will be held in accordance with Resolution PCC.III/RES.44 (VI-96);
  - b) the seminar will be organized by Mr. Mauro Assis, from the Brazilian Administration;

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<sup>2</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.201/98 Rev.1.(original=Spanish)

<sup>3</sup> Sharing studies should be coordinated with PCC.III

- c) CITEL Member States and Associate Members should contact the organizer of the seminar.

**INVITES THE ADMINISTRATIONS:**

To exchange information with each other by means of the questionnaire annexed to this Resolution.

**INSTRUCTS:**

The Executive Secretary to forward this Resolution to all CITEL Member States, stressing the importance of a detailed response to the annexed questionnaire not later than December 1<sup>st</sup> 1998.

**ANNEX  
QUESTIONNAIRE**

- 1) Who is the competent authority in your Administration and who should act as contact person on broadcasting issues ? (whenever the authorities on service delivery and spectrum management are different, please describe).
- 2) Are there any projects in your Administration, either planned, in process or in force, related to the implementation of this service?  
If so, what frequency bands will be used for its implementation?  
Otherwise, please explain if this issue is being currently considered.
- 3) Will band allocation for this service involve migration of existing services to other bands?
- 4) What is the current situation of the L band (1452-1492 MHz)?
- 5) What are the provisions regulating the service (regulatory framework)?
- 6) Does the regulation provide for a defined coverage area for these services?

**PCC.II/RES. 16 (IV-98)<sup>4</sup>**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP OF PCC.II TO STUDY THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TERRESTRIAL DIGITAL TELEVISION SERVICE**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting,

**CONSIDERING:**

- a) That the worldwide evolution of digital technology allows for the fast implementation of DTV terrestrial systems;
- b) That it is necessary to gather technical information on the studies, experiences, and field tests available on plans for the future implementation of DTV services;

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<sup>4</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.204/98. (original=Spanish)

- c) That it is essential to obtain information on regulatory plans for the implementation of DTV services;
- d) That it is advisable to address the effects of spectrum migration that may take place in each country in the Region;
- e) That it is advisable to count on an orderly process for the conversion from an analog to a digital system, as well as on the recommendations and information required to cooperate in such process;
- f) That some countries in the region have already authorized experimental broadcasting and are planning to grant DTV service licenses;
- g) That these systems will be operative in the very near future;
- h) That CITEL members should agree on common goals for the benefit of all members;

**RESOLVES:**

1. To create a Working Group to be chaired by the Argentine Administration, to study the implementation of Terrestrial Digital Television Services as per the following mandate:
  - a) identifying, at regional level, the status of terrestrial DTV and the projects involving the implementation of these systems;
  - b) making a follow-up of the ITU relevant activities and studies, particularly those referred to Region 2, and the studies conducted by sub-regional organizations;
  - c) compiling agreements, conventions, working papers, recommendations, experimental tests, and the findings of the measurement tests performed by the various states and sub-regions, in order to make them available to the Member States of CITEL PCC.II.
  - d) evaluating the findings of the test programs;
  - e) preparing guidelines taking into account the particular conditions of each country for the orderly implementation of this service in Region 2;
2. This Working Group should conduct an adequate exchange of information with those sectors engaged in the development of specific work on this issue;
3. To instruct this new Working Group to make a specific follow up of the standards that may be applicable to Region 2;
4. Any information gathered by this Group on the findings obtained during the test period should allow to draw final conclusions ensuring that future decisions to be adopted by Member States in this connection involve the lowest possible degree of uncertainty.

**PCC.II/RES.17 (IV-98)<sup>5</sup>**

**ON SUBMITTING JOINT PROPOSALS/DOCUMENTS TO THE ITU-R**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That there is a need for a procedure to submit joint documents to the ITU-R, especially for World Conferences.

**RECOGNIZING:**

That PCC.II Member States have identified the benefits of submitting joint documents to the ITU-R.

**RESOLVES:**

That PCC.II adopt the procedure attached in the Annex for submitting joint documents to the ITU-R.<sup>6</sup>

**INSTRUCTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT:**

1. To distribute proposals/documents, identified by PCC.II as candidate proposals/documents for joint submission to the ITU, to CITELE administrations as provided for in the attached annex; and
2. To forward joint Inter-American proposals to appropriate ITU authorities in accordance with the attached annex and ITU procedures.

**ANNEX**

**Procedures for Submitting joint Proposals/documents to the ITU-R**

1. In preparatory meetings held before the commencement of an ITU-R meeting, PCC.II will identify draft joint proposals/documents that were presented to the Plenary and achieved consensus. The names of all CITELE members will appear in square brackets on the front heading of these proposals/documents. The fact that all CITELE administrations names appear on draft proposals/documents does not indicate their acceptance of these proposals/documents.
2. In order to appear as a supporting administration on a final Inter-American Proposal or other ITU-R document, administrations may request during a PCC.II meeting that their country name be placed on the final document. In such cases, the administrations name will

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<sup>5</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.175/98.

<sup>6</sup> The procedure is the same as the one adopted by PCC.III, resolution PCC.III/RES.65 (X-98).

be removed from square brackets and placed below those names still appearing in square brackets.

3. Alternatively, administrations participating in the PCC.II meetings may request the Executive Secretariat within two weeks after the close of the meeting to remove their name from square brackets and place it with other administrations that have approved the document.
4. The CITELE Executive Secretariat, on behalf of PCC.II, will distribute the Draft Proposals/Documents to all CITELE Administrations two weeks after the close of the PCC.II meeting for their review.
5. The Administration who originates the draft proposal/document shall undertake the task of coordinating and encouraging support of the document. In the event that more than one administration is the originator, then it should be decided at the PCC.II meeting when the proposal is first introduced which administration will undertake the role of coordinator.
6. Administrations may request the Executive Secretariat to remove the square brackets from their country name, or to simply remove their name if they do not wish to support a particular proposal/document.
7. The names of those administrations not responding to the Executive Secretariat before the Inter- American Proposals/Documents are forwarded to the ITU, will be removed.
8. At least five administrations must support a document in order for it to be forwarded to the ITU as an Inter- American Proposal/Document.
9. The Executive Secretariat will forward all approved Inter-American Proposals/Documents to ITU-R meetings in a timely fashion in accordance with the ITU rules of procedure.
10. Administrations not appearing on the Inter-American Proposal/ Document transmitted by the CITELE Executive Secretariat to the ITU will be able to notify the Executive Secretariat up until two weeks before the start of an ITU-R meeting of their support and their name will be forwarded to the ITU to be included in a corrigendum to the Inter-American Proposal/Document.
11. Moreover, any country may join in the support of an Inter-American proposal during the ITU-R meeting by submitting their acceptance.
12. Communications between Administrations shall take place through designated contact points identified to CITELE.
13. The authorization process to be used by an administration is a matter to be determined by the administration itself.



**PCC.II/RES. 18 (IV-98)<sup>7 8</sup>**

**BROADCASTING ISSUES AT FUTURE REGIONAL AND WORLD RADIO  
COMMUNICATION CONFERENCES**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting,

**CONSIDERING:**

- a)* That the agenda for WRCs are likely to include issues related to broadcasting:
- b)* That such issues will impact the interest of all CITELE members; and
- c)* That it would be to the benefit of all CITELE members to coordinate their preparations for World Radiocommunication Conferences,

**RESOLVES:**

1. That a Working Group be established under PCC.II to develop common views or proposals on broadcasting issues on the WRC agenda.
2. That the Working Group will complete and distribute its Report to all Members at least one month prior to the next PCC.II meeting.
3. That PCC.II will provide its proposals on the WRC issues to PCC.III who will forward them to all CITELE Member States with a recommendation that each country submit the proposals to the ITU as country proposals, or to include their countries in common proposals.
4. That the Working Group should conduct its business using facsimile and other modern means of correspondence.
5. That the Chairman of this Working Group shall be Mr. Edward Reinhart (USA).
6. That the following Administrations have offered to participate in the Working Group: Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Canada, Mexico, USA, and Venezuela.
7. That all other Administrations are welcome to participate in this Working Group.

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<sup>7</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.205/98.

<sup>8</sup> Replaces resolutions PCC.II/RES. 1 (I-94) and PCC.II/RES.2 (I-94)

**PCC.II/RES.19 (IV-98)<sup>9</sup>**

**OBJECTIVE AND MANDATE OF PERMANENT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE II:  
BROADCASTING (PCC.II: BROADCASTING)**

The Fourth Meeting of Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting,

**HAVING SEEN:**

The proposals submitted during the meeting for the revision of the Objective and Mandate of PCC.II: Broadcasting, and

**CONSIDERING:**

The usefulness of introducing the proposed amendments aimed to extending the activities of the PCC.II in the field of development projects of broadcasting services as well as other drafting that strengthens the need to prevent harmful interferences, of taking a better and greater advantage of radio-electrical spectrum, and of participating in, coordinating, and agreeing upon regulating proposals and positions,

**RESOLVES:**

To invite COM/CITEL to consider the draft revised Objective and Mandate of PCC.II: Broadcasting and, being the case, to proceed to its presentation at the next CITEL Assembly.

**APPENDIX  
PCC.II: BROADCASTING  
Objective**

**MOD**

To act as a technical advisory body within the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission with respect to standards, planning, operation, and technical assistance for the broadcasting service in its different forms.

**Mandate**

**MOD**

- a. To identify the needs for development of the broadcasting service and to stimulate and foster such development in the Region;

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<sup>9</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.207/98.

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- b. To promote and stimulate the use of modern technologies and to evaluate their impact.
- c. To promote the efficient use of the radio spectrum allocated to the broadcasting service, taking into account, in particular, the need to prevent and avoid, to the extent possible, harmful interferences to the radiocommunication services.
- d. To undertake a coordinated effort with the different CITELE groups in those areas that, by their very nature, lend themselves to joint action.

## **MOD**

- e. To undertake the coordination of regional preparations for major ITU Conferences and meetings, on matters related to broadcasting, including the preparation of common regional proposals (IAP) and positions when deemed appropriate.

### **PCC.II/RES.20 (IV-98)<sup>10</sup>**

#### **AGENDA OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE PERMANENT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE II: BROADCASTING**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting

#### **RESOLVES:**

1. To hold the Fifth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting in 1999 in a place and date to be determined.
2. To adopt the annexed Draft Agenda for the above meeting of PCC.II.

#### **PRELIMINARY AGENDA**

1. Approval of the Agenda and Calendar of activities
2. Assignment of the Drafting Group of the Final Report
3. Reports by the Chairpersons of PCC.II Working Groups
  - 3.1.- Local Multipoint Distribution Systems (LMDS)
  - 3.2.- Digital Sound Broadcasting
  - 3.3.- Coordination of incompatibilities in the 1981 Rio de Janeiro Plan
  - 3.4.- Review of the mandate and working methods to develop a future vision of PCC.II
  - 3.5.- Implementation of the Digital Terrestrial Television Service
  - 3.6.- Development of common views or proposals on broadcasting issues for the WRC -2000.
4. Television Broadcasting
  - 4.1.- Direct Satellite Broadcasting (DBS/DTH)
  - 4.2.- Cable Television (subscribers)

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<sup>10</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.209/98.

5. Report on the COM/CITEL Meeting
6. Report on the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference, 1998
7. Follow up of the Action Plan pursuant to the mandate issued by the Second Summit of the Americas
8. CITEL Strategic Plan 1999-2002
9. Other matters
10. Agenda, site and date of the next meeting
11. Adoption of the Final Report

**PCC.II/RES.21 (IV-98)<sup>11 12</sup>**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP ON LOCAL MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM (LMDS)**

The Fourth Meeting of Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The advantages to be gained by Member States from the implementation of Local Multipoint Distribution Systems,

The need to ensure the orderly implementation of this new service in the Americas in order to guarantee the efficient use of the frequency spectrum as well as the interference-free operation of this service,

**RECOGNIZING:**

The advantages to be gained by having consistent standards for LMDS implementation in CITEL Member States.

**RESOLVES:**

1. To establish a Working Group to study the various aspects of the implementation of LMDS in the Americas related to Broadcasting service.<sup>13</sup>
2. To designate Mr. Winston Ragbir of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago as chairman of this Working Group<sup>14</sup>.
3. To request the Chairman to coordinate for this Working Group the Electronic Forum of CITEL.
4. To coordinate with PCC.III the results of their studies.
5. That the Terms of Reference will be:

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<sup>11</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.212 Rev.1.

<sup>12</sup> This resolution replaces resolution PCC.II/RES.4 (II-96)

<sup>13</sup> Such studies must be coordinated with PCC.III as necessary.

<sup>14</sup> Participation in the Working Group will be open to all Members and Associate Members of PCC.II. The countries that have announced their participation in the Working Group are: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Ecuador, Mexico, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, United States, Uruguay and Venezuela.

- a. To study the most appropriate frequency allocation for the LMDS and to coordinate its conclusions with PCC.III.
- b. To coordinate the standardization of technologies for implementation.
- c. To prepare guidelines for the uniform implementation of LMDS in the Americas.

#### **IV. DECISIONS**

##### **PCC.II/DEC.8/98 (IV-98)<sup>15</sup>**

##### **RESPONSE TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE ITU RADIOCOMMUNICATION OFFICE TO ASSIST IN THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE NEXT WRC**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting decided to instruct the Executive Secretary of CITEL that in the note to the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau of ITU on the means by which assistance can be given to the preparations for future world radiocommunications conferences, to include among such instruments the following:

- a) Grants for attending the Preparatory Meetings of the world radiocommunication conferences;
- b) Arranging Seminars and informative discussions within CITEL on the works and results of the Preparatory Meetings of the world radiocommunication conferences,
- c) Using the ITU Regional Office to disseminate relevant information on activities around the world involving broadcasting; and
- d) After each Preparatory Meeting, the ITU-R should make a specific effort with the assistance of technicians in order to disseminate its considerations and results in the Region.

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<sup>15</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.200/98.

**PCC.II/DEC.9 (IV-98)<sup>16</sup>**

**STRUCTURE OF THE REPORT OF CITEL ON WRC-2000 ISSUES**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting having examined documents PCC.II/doc.174/98 and 174/98 Add 1 dealing with the structure of the Report for WRC-2000 Coordinated by PCC.III;

**CONSIDERING:**

That the structure as presented provides a good basis for the preparation of the CITEL Report on WRC-2000 issues relating to broadcasting;

**DECIDES:**

- 1) That members of PCC.II will study the aspects related to broadcasting and provide the text for the following chapters, to PCC.III for submission to Member States:
  - a) Chapter 3 related FSS NGSO versus BSS. This will be done in conjunction with the PCC.III group studying FSS issues (See Decision PCC.II/Dec.10 (IV-98).
  - b) Chapter 5 concerning issues related to Appendices 30 and 30A.
- 2) To request the Executive Secretary to inform PCC.III of this Decision as soon as possible.

**PCC.II/DEC.10 (IV-98)<sup>17</sup>**

**PREPARATION FOR WRC-2000 ON AGENDA ITEM 1.13**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting having reviewed item 1.13 of WRC-2000 as it relates to BSS:

**DECIDES:**

- 1) To propose to PCC.III that studies relating to sharing of NGSO-FSS systems with BSS be conducted by PCC.II members jointly with the working group of PCC.III that will conduct the same studies with respect to the other services. It is believed that this will result in better use of time and produce better results;
- 2) To provide the following preliminary views proposed by the USA to stimulate discussion among administrations and for consideration by the working group referred to in 1) above:

Further review of provisional power limits in RRS21 is needed to ensure that existing services are protected while allowing the introduction of new services. Also, the final limits must protect the AP 30 and 30A plans, as well as future modifications;

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<sup>16</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.205/98.

<sup>17</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.205/98.

- 3) To inform PCC.III of this Decision as soon as possible so that it will be taken into account in its scheduling.

**PCC.II/DEC.11 (IV-98)<sup>18</sup>**

**PREPARATION FOR WRC-2000 ON AGENDA ITEMS 1.19, 1.20 AND 1.21**

The Fourth Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee II: Broadcasting having reviewed items 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21 of the agenda of WRC-2000:

**DECIDES:**

- 1) To make the following preliminary views of the USA on the above items available to administrations to stimulate discussion in their preparation for the WRC:
1. Agenda Item 1.19: Feasibility Studies regarding increasing the capacity assigned to each country in the Regions 1 and 3 Plans.
    - 1.1 Preliminary Views:
      - Support attempting to increase the capacity assigned to each country to the equivalent of 10 analogue channels, as described in Principle 1 in Annex 1 to Resolution 532 (WRC-97).
      - Oppose halting the existing Article 4 modification process at any time particularly in regards to the Region 2 Plans.
      - Any possible replanning must protect, and not introduce additional constraints upon, Region 2 services in order to be feasible, in accordance with Principles 7 and 8 of Annex 1 to Resolution 532 (WRC-97).
      - Further work/technical studies are needed.
    2. Agenda Item 1.20: Procedural Issues (Including associated technical sharing criteria)
      - 2.1 Preliminary views
        - Changes to the procedures for, planned or unplanned services, could seriously impact existing networks, for example, through “unintended consequences” or intentional restriction of flexibility.
        - There are changes to sharing criteria that could be supported, for example Section 5 of Annex 1 to Appendix S30.

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<sup>18</sup> MOD Document PCC.II/doc.205/98.

- There are sharing situations that are not currently addressed, that should be addressed, such as protection of the 17 GHz Region 2 BSS from modifications to the Regions 1 and 3 Plan.
  - Changes to the procedures of Article 4 that would facilitate modification of the Plans could be supported.
  - Further work/regulatory/technical studies are needed.
3. Agenda Item 1.21: Review of the BR's compatibility of the new Regions 1 and 3 Plans (rev. WRC-97) with other services.
- 3.1 Preliminary views.
- To follow closely the BR's analyses to ensure that its services/networks are sufficiently protected from and not unduly restricted by the new Regions 1 and 3 Plans (rev.WRC-97).

**PCC.II/DEC. 12 (IV-98)<sup>19</sup>**

**ACTION ON EXISTING RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS OF PCC.II**

**(RELATED TO WRC PREPARATIONS)**

The Fourth Meeting of PCC.II: Broadcasting of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission, having examined existing Resolutions and Decisions as to their continued relevance to its work:

**DECIDES:**

- Resolution PCC.II/RES.1 (I-94) – delete, replaced by Resolution PCC.II/RES. 18 (IV-98).
- Resolution PCC.II/RES.2 (I-94) – delete, replaced by Resolution PCC.II/RES.18 (IV-98).
- Decision PCC.II/DEC.1 (II-96) – delete; action completed.
- Decision PCC.II/DEC.4 (II-96) – delete; action completed.
- Decision PCC.II/DEC.5 (II-97) – delete; action completed.
- Decision PCC.II/DEC.6 (II-97) – delete; action completed.

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<sup>19</sup> MOD document PCC.II/doc.205/98.



**V. LIST OF THE BASIC DOCUMENTS RESULTING FROM THE FOURTH MEETING OF PCC.II: BROADCASTING**

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| Report of the Meeting   | PCC.II-215/98 rev. 1 |
| Summary Minutes of the Opening, First, Second, and Third Plenary Sessions | PCC.II-196/98 cor. 2 |
| Summary Minutes of the Fourth Plenary Session                             | PCC.II-208/98 rev. 1 |
| Summary Minutes of the Fifth Plenary Session                              | PCC.II-213/98 rev. 2 |
| Summary Minutes of the Sixth Plenary Session and of the Closing Session   | PCC.II-214/98        |
| List of Documents   | PCC.II-152/98 rev. 2 |
| List of Participants  | PCC.II-155/98 rev. 1 |