

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice #2937]

U.S. International Telecommunication Advisory Committee (ITAC); Charter Renewal

The Department of State has renewed the Charter of the United States International Telecommunication Advisory Committee (ITAC). This advisory committee will continue to obtain the views and advice of American experts and interested parties with respect to a broad range of technical, operational and administrative questions in the telecommunications and information sector. ITAC's focus is on U.S. participation in the work of international treaty organizations, primarily the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the OAS Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL).

The committee's principal work, which is to develop, coordinate and recommend contributions to and positions for international meetings and conferences, has been a major factor in ensuring effective U.S. preparations for the relevant international activities. The Under Secretary for Management has determined that the committee is necessary and in the public interest.

Membership in the ITAC is unlimited and may include representatives of all parties interested in the telecommunications and information fields or in the work of ITAC, including U.S. Government agencies, recognized operating agencies, service providers, manufacturers, users, associations, academia, and the public in general. The committee will follow the procedures prescribed by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). Meetings will be open to the public unless a determination is made in accordance with section 10(d) of the FACA, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (1) and (4), that a meeting or a portion of the meeting should be closed to the public. Notice of each meeting will be provided in the **Federal Register** at least 15 days prior to the meeting date.

For further information, please call: Richard Beird, ITAC Chairman and Director, Office of Multilateral Affairs, International Communications and Information Policy, (202) 647-5832; fax (202) 647-5957.

Dated: November 16, 1998.

Ambassador Vonya B. McCann,

U.S. Coordinator, Communications and Information Policy.

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United States International Telecommunications Advisory Committee (ITAC), Radiocommunication Sector (ITAC-R); Notice of Meetings

The Department of State announces that a meeting of the National Committee of the Radiocommunications Sector of the U.S. International Telecommunication Advisory Committee will be held December 8, 1998, 9:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. in Room 4517 of the Department of State, 2201 "C" Street, NW, Washington, DC. The purpose of the National Committee is to advise the Department's ITAC-R on policy, technical and operational matters with respect to international radiocommunication issues. Related meetings of the ITAC CITEL Permanent Consultative Committee II-Broadcasting PCC III-Radiocommunications will be held January 7, 1999. PCC II will convene at 9:30 and PCC III at 2:00 P.M.

The National Committee meeting will consider the preparatory process and guidelines for participation in ITU Radiocommunication meetings, review relevant results of the 1998 Plenipotentiary Conference, begin preparatory activities for the Radiocommunication Advisory Group meeting February 22-26, 1998, and review Study Group and Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) activities. The PCC II and PCC III preparatory meetings will review the results of the December COMCITEL meeting and consider U.S. preparations for international meetings in the Spring of 1999.

Members of the General Public may attend these meetings and join in the discussions, subject to the instructions of the Chair. Admittance of public members will be limited to the seating available. In this regard, entrance to the Department of State is controlled. Persons intending to attend the meetings should send a fax to (202) 647-7407 not later than 24 hours before the meeting. On this fax, please include the name of the meeting, your name, social security number, date of birth and organization. One of the following valid photo identifications will be required for admittance: U.S. driver's license

with your picture on it, U.S. passport, or a U.S. Government identification (company ID's are no longer accepted by Diplomatic Security). Enter from the 'C' Street Main Lobby.

Dated: November 16, 1998.

John T. Gilsenan,

Chairman, U.S. ITAC for Radiocommunication Sector.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-98-22]

Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for exemption (14 CFR Part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions seeking relief from specified requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Chapter I), dispositions of certain petitions previously received, and corrections. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before December 15, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rule Docket (AGC-200), Petition Docket No.

_____, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: 9-NPRM-CMTS@faa.dot.gov.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW.,