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16. Intersessional Decisions

Purpose

To consider an amendment to the Rules of Procedure relating to intersessional decision making.

Discussion

At CCSBT11 the Extended Commission agreed to a system for recording intersessional decisions and that the Rules of Procedure should be updated for the evolution of communication systems.

An amended version of Rule 6 Paragraph 5 to give effect to the decision at CCSBT11 is attached for consideration.

Prepared by the Secretariat

**AMENDMENT TO RULES OF PROCEDURE
INTERSESSIONAL VOTING – RULE 6, PARAGRAPH 5**

5. Where necessary when the Commission is not in session, decisions of the Commission shall be taken by a unanimous vote of the Members. The vote will be organised by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Chair using the post, facsimile or e-mail. The decision will be formally recorded by the Executive Secretary in a format agreed by the Commission and circulated to Members. In circumstances where the Chair is satisfied that a Member has received a proposal, and that Member has not responded within 21 days to the proposal, the Member shall be taken to have responded to that proposal in the affirmative.