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# Union Activities

## Opening of the Second Session of the Conference for FM sound broadcasting

The Second session of the Regional Administrative Conference for FM sound broadcasting in the VHF band (Region 1\* and certain countries concerned in Region 3), opened on Monday, 29 October 1984 at the Geneva International Conference Centre (CICG) with 455 delegates from some 76 countries attending, together with observers from international organizations. It will last for 6 weeks, until 7 December.

The purpose of the Conference, which was convened by the ITU, is to prepare for the countries of Region 1 and those concerned in Region 3 an agreement and an associated plan for FM sound broadcasting in the band 87.5-108 MHz.

The First Session of the Conference, held in Geneva from 23 August to 17 September 1982, drew up a technical report which is being used by the Second Session to prepare the agreement and associated plan.

At its first plenary meeting, the Conference elected Miss M. Huet (France) as

its Chairman and Messrs. H. Götze (German Dem. Rep.), H. Y. Al-Kindy (Oman), F. Imounga (Gabon) as Vice-Chairmen; one further Vice-Chairman, from the Mediterranean part of Africa, will be appointed at a later stage.

The following Conference structure was adopted:

### Committee 1 Steering Committee

Chairman:  
the Chairman of the Conference

Vice-Chairmen:  
the Vice-Chairmen of the Conference

### Terms of reference:

To co-ordinate all matters connected with the smooth execution and scheduling of work and to plan the order and number of meetings.

### Committee 2 Credentials Committee

Chairman:  
Mr. S. Csatari (Hungary)

Vice-Chairman:  
Mr. M. S. Diallo (Guinea)

### Terms of reference:

To verify the credentials of delegations and to report on its conclusions to the plenary meeting within the time specified by the latter, i.e. by Tuesday, 4 December, at 12h00 (local time).

### Committee 3 Budget Control Committee

Chairman:  
Mr. F. Molina Negro (Spain)

Vice-Chairman:  
Mr. A. Isaev (USSR)

### Terms of reference:

To determine the organization and the facilities available to the delegates, to examine and approve the accounts of expenditure incurred throughout the duration of the Second Session of the Conference and to report to the plenary meeting the estimated total expenditure of the Second Session as well as the estimated cost of implementing the decisions of the Conference.

### Committee 4 Planning Committee

Chairman:  
Mr. G. Thiam (Senegal)

Vice-Chairman:  
Mr. H. K. Al Shankaiti (Saudi Arabia)

### Terms of reference:

To prepare a frequency assignment plan for sound broadcasting stations in the band 87.5-108 MHz on the basis of the Report of the First Session, as it might be modified, taking account of the need to ensure adequate protection to stations of the aeronautical radionavigation service in the band 108-117.975 MHz.

### Committee 5 Agreement and Procedures Committee

Chairman:  
Mr. K. Olms (Fed. Rep. of Germany)

Vice-Chairman:  
to be appointed subsequently

### Terms of reference:

To prepare an agreement for sound broadcasting stations in the band 87.5-108 MHz and to adopt the related procedures.



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Mr. R. E. Butler, ITU Secretary-General, congratulates Miss M. Huet on her election as Chairman of the Conference; on the right stands the Dean of the Conference, Mr. F. R. Neubauer (Netherlands)

\*Region 1 comprises Europe, Africa and the whole of the USSR; Region 3 comprises Asia and Australasia.

□ **Committee 6**  
**Editorial Committee**

Chairman:

Mr. H. Berthod (France)

Vice-Chairmen:

Mr. L. Chamorro Santa Cruz (Spain)

Mr. A. Marshall (United Kingdom)

*Terms of reference:*

To perfect the form of the texts prepared in the various Committees of the Conference, without altering the sense, for submission to the plenary meeting.

□ **Technical Working Group of the Plenary**

Chairman:

Mr. J. Rutkowski (Poland)

Vice-Chairman:

Mr. J. P. Kimani (Kenya)

*Terms of reference:*

To review the relevant parts of the Report of the First Session in the light of the CCIR contributions and the proposals submitted by administrations to the Conference concerning:

- propagation in extreme super-refractivity conditions and the relationship between propagation over land and sea;
- propagation in Africa;
- the possibility of improving the immunity of receivers in the aeronautical radionavigation service to interference caused by FM broadcasting emissions;
- the maximum obtainable suppression of spurious emissions in the band 108-137 MHz from broadcasting stations operating in the band 87.5-108 MHz;
- sharing criteria between broadcasting service and other services to which the band is allocated;
- consideration of the conclusions of Interim meetings of the CCIR concerning protection ratios between television and sound broadcasting.

In his opening address to the Conference, Mr. R. E. Butler, Secretary-General of the ITU, said: "Radio is the most pervasive of the mass media. For many countries it is virtually the only medium through which most of the population living outside the main cities, and particularly in the rural areas, can be reached. The development of broadcasting is obviously of prime importance for national socio-economic advancement."

Mr. Butler emphasized the extensive preparations which had been made for the work of the Second Session. "Following the establishment by the First Session of the technical bases for the evolution of a Plan, the CCIR has made available, as requested, further technical information"

The Secretary-General said that the total number of frequency requirements submitted was about 47 000. "The sheer volume of these requirements calls for substantial analytical work. However, as in the case of work connected with past planning conferences, the computer facilities of the ITU were organized to carry out the various processes involved".

An article on the results of the Conference will be published in a forthcoming number of the *Telecommunication Journal*.

## CCIR News

### Polish National CCIR Committee meeting and 7th International Symposium on Electromagnetic Compatibility

A special meeting of the Polish National CCIR Committee was held at the Institute for Telecommunications, Warsaw, on 15 June 1984 with the participation of CCIR Director, Mr. R. C. Kirby. The meeting was chaired by Mrs. H. Smolenska, Chairwoman of Polish national

CCIR activities. Messrs. S. Sonta, Vice-Director of the Institute, participated, as well as J. Rutkowski, adviser to the Minister of Posts and Telecommunications.

The meeting reviewed reports on technical studies underway in the Institute for Telecommunications (Warsaw and Wrocław branch) on various CCIR Questions and Study Programmes. Professor R. Struzak, Vice-Chairman CCIR Study Group 1 (Spectrum utilization and monitoring), reviewed the Study Group's work in Poland, including a method for computer analysis of coverage and interference for a television network, and studies of radiation from industrial, scientific and medical (ISM) equipment. Study Group 5 (Propagation in non-ionized media) work, reported by Mr. S. Ogulewicz, included studies of rain attenuation at 11 and 18 GHz using instrumentation and computer equipment developed at the Institute. Television broadcasting work was reported by Mr. L. Kanjerski, a long time participant in Study Group 11 (Broadcasting service (television)). He also described the progress in studies in teletext and videotex. Reports were also given on the work in other Study Groups.

The meeting was followed by a visit to the technical activities in the laboratories and to an exhibition commemorating the 50th anniversary of the foundation of the Institute which began work in 1934 under the directorship of the eminent late Polish scientist, Professor J. Groskowski, one of the early leaders in CCIR work.

On 16 June, a meeting was held with the Minister of Posts and Telecommunica-



Meeting with the Minister of Posts and Telecommunications and ministry officials. From left to right: Messrs J. Fajkowski, R. C. Kirby, J. Rutkowski, L. Kolatkowski, Sanakiewicz, E. Janowski and W. Majewski