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To:

- Sub-Regional (REC) officials (EAC, ECCAS, ECOWAS, SADC)
- African ICT Regulator Associations (EACO, ARTAC, CRASA, WATRA)
- African Union Commission(AUC)
- Chairs of Radiocommunications of the Sub-Regions
- ATU-R Leaderships (APM23-2 Bureau, ATU-R Working Group Chairs and Vice-Chairs, ATU-R Task Group Chairs/V. Chairs and Rapporteurs)
- ATU-R Country Focal Points
- ITU BR

Dear Sir/Madam,

Invitation to a Consultative Forum on the Implementation Promotion of Resolution 170 (WRC-19)

As you may be aware, one of the key outcomes of WRC-19 from the African perspective was the passage of Resolution 170 (WRC-19). This resolution basically facilitates acquisition/implementation of satellite resources for Fixed Satellite Services (e.g. internet provision) as a group of countries thereby covering the territories of the concerned countries unlike in the past where a country could only acquire the resource solely to cover its own territory. The Resolution was championed by our region considering the viability potential of acquiring and implementing a project using the resources as a group of countries and covering those countries.

Whereas the passage of the Resolution was a significant step, there is now need for African countries to take practical steps and take advantage of the Resolution by acquiring and implementing Satellite projects using the resources as a group of countries.

It is on this basis that we have scheduled a stakeholder's consultative forum to discuss and agree on possible subsequent steps – taking into account the Sub-Regional developments related to satellite communications. This forum will be virtual and will be held on **11 November 2021 from 11H00 to 14H00 East African Time**. The forum will be led by the APM23-2 Bureau (with **Mr Georges YAYI** of Benin as Chair).

In order to participate at the forum, kindly register using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlud-qqqiMqH9T6b14yy3uWZRpiAJXt6cJV>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing the login link to the meeting as well as a

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link to the forum documents. A concept note on the Implementation Promotion of Resolutions 170 (WRC-19) can be found on the share folder - the link is <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OV-K0hANGfwLhxF9LZt2nCD80JpYZ8Wg?usp=sharing>

If you have any question or need any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact k.mwale@atuuat.africa; As I look forward to your usual support towards ATU and its programmes/activities, I take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for all the support and assistance rendered to us this far.

Yours Faithfully,



John OMO
Secretary General

