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memorandum

TO: Chief, Reference Operations Division

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SUBJECT: Filing of new Petitions for Review Challenging the Commission's International Settlement Rates Order.

DATE: October 29, 1997

This is to advise you that 402(a) Petitions for Review of: International Settlement Rates, FCC 97-280, IB Docket No. 96-261, 62 Fed. Reg. 45758 (August 29, 1997) have been filed by the following parties:

Cable & Wireless PLC, D.C. Circuit No. 97-1612 (filed September 26, 1997),

Guyana Telephone & Telegraph Co. Ltd., D.C. Circuit No. 97-1613 (filed September 26, 1997),

Kokusai Denshin Denwa Co. Ltd., D.C. Circuit No. 97-1614 (filed September 26, 1997),

Hong Kong Telecom International, D.C. Circuit No. 97-1615 (filed September 26, 1997),

Telstra Corporation Limited, D.C. Circuit No. 97-1620 (filed October 1, 1997),

Singapore Telecommunications Limited, D.C. Circuit No. 97-1621 (filed October 2, 1997),

The Hispanic-American Association of Research Centers and Telecommunications Enterprises (AHCJET) and The Regional Technical Commission on Telecommunications of Central America (COMTELCA), D.C. Circuit No. 97-1640 (filed October 16, 1997),

Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd., D.C. Circuit No. 97-1643 (filed October 17, 1997),

GTE Service Corporation, et al., D.C. Circuit No. 97-1652 (filed October 24, 1997), and

ABS-CBN Telecom, North America, Inc., D.C. Circuit No. 97-1655 (filed October 27, 1997).

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Petitioners challenge the Commission's International Settlement Rates order, which adopted "benchmarks" limiting the settlement payments that U.S. carriers make to foreign carriers with whom they jointly provide international service.

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