

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DRAFT PRELIMINARY VIEWS ON WRC-11

AGENDA ITEM 7: to consider possible changes in response to Resolution 86 (Rev. Marrakesh, 2002) of the Plenipotentiary Conference: “Advance publication, coordination, notification and recording procedures for frequency assignments pertaining to satellite networks”, in accordance with Resolution 86 (Rev.WRC-07)

ISSUE: List of networks with which coordination needs to be effected (No. 9.36 of RR)

BACKGROUND: The Regulations currently in force – namely provisions Nos. **9.36** and **9.36.2** – indicate that the Bureau, when it examines a request for coordination in application of Nos. **9.34-9.38**, shall identify any administration with which coordination may need to be effected.

In particular, No. **9.36.2** states that, *“In the case of coordination under No. 9.7 the list of the networks identified by the Bureau under No. 9.27 is for information purposes only, to help administrations comply with this procedure.”*

In this context, for sake of discussion assume that the coordination request of a network of administration A has been published and that administration B has been identified by the Bureau under No. **9.7** as one of the administrations with which coordination has to be effected.

As the list of the satellite networks of administration B provided by the Bureau is “for information purposes only”, administration A will not necessarily know the complete list of networks of administration B that have to be considered until bilateral coordination between A and B is conducted. This is not desirable, especially because detailed coordination is often conducted between operators, whereas satellite networks are submitted to the ITU by administrations. Operator-to-operator coordination agreements are subsequently ratified by the administrations involved and a formal coordination meeting between administrations may never happen. Therefore the operator of administration A associated with the satellite network under consideration may never know the complete list of networks of administration B with which coordination is required.

U.S. VIEW: The United States is of the view that a final list of administrations and corresponding satellite networks with which coordination needs to be effected should be generated as early as possible in the coordination process.
