

### **Recommendation C.3**

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION SERVICES

The CCITT,

*considering*

(a) Resolutions Nos. 1 and 3 of the World Administrative Telegraph and Telephone Conference (Geneva, 1973) concerning the *Instructions for the Operation of the International Public Telegram Service* and *Telex Operation and Tariff Principles*, respectively.

(b) that Article 26 of the Radio Regulations (Geneva, 1979) requires the *Manual for Use by the Maritime Mobile and Maritime Mobile–Satellite Services* to contain the Instructions for the International Public Telegram Service and the International Telephone Service;

(c) that, in the draft *International Telecommunication Regulations* submitted by the CCITT for consideration at the World Administrative Telegraph and Telephone Conference (Melbourne, 1988), Article 1 refers to the need to comply with Recommendations and Instructions, while not implying that they have the same legal status as Regulations;

(d) that, in the same draft Regulations, *Instructions* are defined as consisting of provisions from a CCITT Recommendation or Recommendations dealing with practical operating procedures for the handling of telecommunication traffic (e.g. acceptance, transmission, accounting);

(e) that, provisions to be designated as Instructions are so designated for one or more of the following reasons:

- their observance on a world–wide basis is of particular importance for the orderly and efficient operation of the international telecommunication service(s) concerned;
- it may be convenient to publish them as a separate booklet for use by operators;
- the provisions (or subsequent amendments to them) may need to enter into effect at a specified time throughout the world;

*unanimously declares the view*

(1) that Administrations should apply the detailed operational procedures laid down in the Instructions, which are constituted as shown in Table 1/C.3 below;

(2) that when modifications are made to the text of Instructions, the Plenary Assembly approving them should also indicate the date of their entry into force, in order to facilitate their world–wide observance in a coordinated manner. In setting this date, due account should be taken of the time required for the publication of the modifications, as well as for their distribution to the operation services concerned.

**Note: Table 1/C.3 is missing.**