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To Member States of the ITU Council

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Subject: Dates of the next Radiocommunication Assembly (16 - 20 January 2012) and
World Radiocommunication Conference (23 January - 17 February 2012)

Dear Councillors,

At its session in 2008, the Council resolved, by its Resolution 1291, to convene a World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-11) in Geneva (Switzerland) from [3-28 October 2011] [24 October - 18 November 2011], preceded by the Radiocommunication Assembly from [26-30 September 2011] [17-21 October 2011], with the agenda found in Resolution 1291.

In a footnote regarding the place and dates of WRC-11, Resolution 1291 provides: "Should the Secretary-General receive within three months a formal invitation from a Member State to host the Assembly and the Conference outside Geneva, the Secretary-General is authorized to take the appropriate measures to deal with this invitation; the dates are also provisional until the Secretary-General can investigate their feasibility within the next three months."

There was no such invitation received from a Member State. Taking into account the concerns expressed by a number of Member States, while discussing the dates of WRC-11 (Document C08/105) in Council 2008, the different religious holidays to be avoided and the availability of facilities at CICG, the Secretary-General, in coordination with other organizations having prior bookings, considered other potential dates. It now appears that the next World Radiocommunication Conference could be held in Geneva from **23 January to 17 February 2012**, preceded by the Radiocommunication Assembly from **16 to 20 January 2012**.

Therefore, and in accordance with Rule 3.2 of its Rules of Procedure, I invite all the Council Member States to confirm, in writing, their agreement with the change of the dates of the Radiocommunication Assembly and the World Radiocommunication Conference, as proposed in the previous paragraph, preferably by fax to the number +41 22 730 6675 **by Monday, 15 June 2009** at the latest.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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Chairman of the Council