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**UNITED NATIONS
and
INTERNATIONAL BANK
FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT**

**Memorandum of Understanding concerning the use of the
United Nations Telecommunications Network. Signed at
Washington on 11 November 1996**

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**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE WORLD BANK CONCERNING THE USE OF THE UNITED NATIONS TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

The United Nations and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development ("the World Bank"), hereafter referred to, where appropriate, as the "Parties" or "Organizations",

Noting that the World Bank is a specialized agency of the United Nations,

Desiring to enhance the use of telecommunications for carrying out the Organizations' official functions, including, but not limited to, maintaining international peace and security, developing international cooperation in various fields, reconstruction, development, technical assistance, or peacekeeping, as applicable,

Recognizing the importance of implementing a global telecommunications system in order to more efficiently serve those functions within the territories of certain nations that are members of either or both organizations,

Desiring to avoid duplication and to maximize benefits from the joint use of the United Nations telecommunications network,

Recalling the 1947 Agreement between the United Nations and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU),²

Recalling the 1984³ (amended in 1993)⁴ Agreement for the leasing of space segment capacity between the United Nations and the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (INTELSAT),

Recalling General Assembly resolution 48/262 of 14 July 1994, "United Nations telecommunications system",⁵

Recalling relevant ITU resolutions concerning the use of the United Nations telecommunications network for the telecommunication traffic of the specialized agencies,

¹ Came into force on 11 November 1996 by signature.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 30, p. 315.

³ *Ibid.*, vol. 1365, p. 307.

⁴ *Ibid.*, vol. 1714, No. B-926.

⁵ United Nations, *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/4849)*, vol. 1, p. 51.

Recalling Article X, Section 1, of the Agreement between the United Nations and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development,¹ approved by the United Nations General Assembly on 15 November 1947 and the Board of Governors of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development on 16 September 1947, which provides that the Parties "will consult from time to time concerning personnel and other administrative matters of mutual interest, with the view... to assuring the most efficient use of the services and facilities of the two organizations" and that such consultations "shall include determination of the most equitable manner in which special services furnished by one organization to the other shall be financed," and

Desiring to record the understandings of the Parties resulting from such consultations in this Memorandum of Understanding,

Have agreed as follows:

Article I

For purposes of this Memorandum of Understanding:

(a) the term "United Nations Telecommunications Network" or the "Network" means the satellite and other capacity and telecommunications facilities used for telecommunications services provided to the Organizations, and includes such telecommunications services;

(b) the term "telecommunications facilities" means earth stations and any ancillary equipment necessary for the provision of telecommunications services to the Organizations.

Article 2

The Parties shall cooperate in the use of the United Nations Telecommunications Network (hereafter - the "Network") under the terms and conditions established by this Memorandum of Understanding, including any Supplemental Agreements of the Parties regarding the Network (hereafter - "Supplemental Agreements").

Article 3

1. The World Bank recognizes that INTELSAT has leased to the United Nations space segment capacity for purposes of the United Nations Telecommunications Network and that the United Nations has agreed to allow the World Bank to use the Network, including any portion thereof, in accordance with the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding, and Supplemental Agreements, as applicable.

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 16, p. 341.