

## ARTICLE 1

### Purpose of this Agreement

1. This Agreement is intended to streamline conformity assessment for a wide range of telecommunications and telecommunications-related equipment and thereby to facilitate trade between the Parties. This Agreement provides for the mutual recognition by the Parties of testing laboratories and mutual acceptance of the results of testing undertaken by recognized testing laboratories in assessing conformity of equipment to a Party's technical regulations.
2. For greater clarity, this Agreement shall not cover conformity assessment related to the electrical safety of telecommunications equipment.
3. This Agreement shall not cover homologation, which may be required by either Party outside of the context of the procedures set forth in this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 2

### Definitions

General terms associated with test reports and conformity assessment used in this Agreement shall have the meaning given to those terms in ISO/IEC 17000:2004, Conformity assessment – Vocabulary and general principles, of the International Organization for Standardization and the International Electrotechnical Commission. In addition, for the purpose of this Agreement, the following definitions shall apply:

*administrative arrangement* means any publicly available procedure or permission or legal or contractual agreement within a Party's jurisdiction that has an impact on conformity assessment of telecommunications equipment within the scope of this Agreement, as described in Article 3;

*designation* means the act by a designating authority of designating a testing laboratory to assess whether telecommunications equipment conforms to a Party's technical regulations;

*homologation* means permission for a product, process, or service to be marketed or used for stated purposes or under stated conditions;