

7. The Parties will apply their respective laws, regulations, policies, and procedures governing the distribution of signals for the provision of cable television service and multipoint distribution service.

8. FSS signals may be provided for transmission and/or reception between either Party and third countries. Transmission or reception of such signals to or from third countries shall be subject to each Party's applicable laws, regulations, policies, and procedures, applied in a non-discriminatory and transparent manner, regardless of which Party licensed the relevant Satellite.

ARTICLE VII

Technical Coordination Procedures

1. Nothing in this Protocol shall affect the rights and obligations of a Party to frequency assignments and associated orbital positions already assigned to it in accordance with the ITU Radio Regulations, including Appendices S30, S30A, and S30B.

2. Nothing in this Protocol shall affect the rights and obligations of a Party regarding the technical coordination of frequencies and associated orbital positions of Satellites of the other Party or third parties not covered by this Protocol, pursuant to the ITU Radio Regulations.

3. Any Satellite licensed by one of the Parties that is in the Advance Publication or Coordination stage or in operation in accordance with the relevant ITU Radio Regulations, shall continue to have its appropriate status under the ITU Radio Regulations notwithstanding the provisions of this Protocol.

4. Each Administration agrees to exert its best efforts to assist the other Administration in the technical coordination of new, and modifications to current, Satellite Network frequency assignments and associated orbital positions. Each Administration shall concur with the requests of the other Administration made through the ITU for coordination of Satellite Networks, and modifications thereto, provided that such requests are consistent with ITU rules and regulations and applicable national technical rules and regulations, and result in technical compatibility of the affected Satellite Networks and terrestrial systems of the Administrations.

5. This Protocol shall not obligate either Administration to require that any operator of a Satellite licensed by one of the Parties substantially alter its ongoing operations and technical characteristics in order to accommodate new Satellites licensed by either Party for the provision of FSS.

6. In the event that there is harmful interference to a Satellite licensed by one of the Parties, notification shall be made to the Administration responsible for licensing the interfering Satellite or Earth Station. Both Administrations shall analyze the information on the interfering signal, shall consult on solutions, and shall seek to agree on the appropriate actions to resolve the interference.