

# **INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION CONVENTION**

## **FIRST PART BASIC PROVISIONS**

### **Preamble**

- 1 While fully recognizing the sovereign right of each country to regulate its telecommunication and having regard to the growing importance of telecommunication for the preservation of peace and the social and economic development of all countries, the plenipotentiaries of the Contracting Governments, with the object of facilitating peaceful relations, international cooperation and economic and social development among peoples by means of efficient telecommunication services, have agreed to establish this Convention which is the basic instrument of the International Telecommunication Union.

### **CHAPTER I**

#### **Composition, Purposes and Structure of the Union**

##### **ARTICLE 1**

##### **Composition of the Union**

- 2 1. The International Telecommunication Union shall comprise Members which, having regard to the principle of universality and the desirability of universal participation in the Union, shall be:
- 3 a) any country listed in Annex 1 which signs and ratifies, or accedes to, the Convention;