

CHAPTER 1
Organization and Working of the Union

ARTICLE 1
Composition of the Union

1. The countries, parties to the present Convention, form the International Telecommunication Union, which replaces the Telegraph Union, and which is governed by the following provisions.
2. The terms used in the present Convention are defined in the Annexe thereto.

ARTICLE 2
Regulations

1. The provisions of the present Convention are completed by the following sets of Regulations:

Telegraph Regulations,
Telephone Regulations,
Radiocommunication Regulations (General Regulations and Additional Regulations),

which bind only the Contracting Governments which have undertaken to apply them, and solely in respect of the Governments which have undertaken the same obligation.

2. Only the signatories to the Convention or Governments acceding to this act are admitted to sign the Regulations or to accede to them. Signature of one, at least, of the sets of Regulations is obligatory for the signatories to the Convention. Similarly, the accession to one, at least, of the sets of Regulations is obligatory for Governments acceding to the Convention. The Additional Radiocommunication Regulations cannot, however, be signed or be the subject of accession unless signature or accession has been made in respect of the General Radiocommunication Regulations.

3. The provisions of the present Convention bind the Contracting governments in respect only of the services covered by the Regulations to which the Governments are parties.

ARTICLE 3

Accession of Governments to the Convention

1. The Government of a country, on whose behalf the present Convention has not been signed, may accede thereto at any time. This accession must include accession to one at least of the annexed sets of Regulations, subject to the observance of section 2 of Article 2 above.

2. The act of accession of a Government shall be deposited in the archives of the Government which received the Conference of plenipotentiaries by whom the present