

ARTICLE 15 Council - Functions

Article 15, paragraphs (a), (c) and (h) are replaced by the following text:

(a) Determination of maritime and aeronautical satellite telecommunications requirements and adoption of policies, plans, programmes, procedures and measures for the design, development, construction, establishment, acquisition by purchase or lease, operation, maintenance and utilization of the INMARSAT space segment, including the procurement of any necessary launch services to meet such requirements.

(c) Adoption of criteria and procedures for approval of earth stations on land, on ships, on aircraft, and on structures in the marine environment for access to the INMARSAT space segment and for verification and monitoring of performance of earth stations having access to and utilization of the INMARSAT space segment. For earth stations on ships and aircraft, the criteria should be in sufficient detail for use by national licensing authorities, at their discretion, for type-approval purposes.

(h) Determination of arrangements for consultation on a continuing basis with bodies recognized by the Council as representing shipowners, aircraft operators, maritime and aeronautical personnel and other users of maritime and aeronautical telecommunications.

ARTICLE 21 Inventions and Technical Information

Article 21, sub paragraphs (2)(b) and (7)(b)(i) are replaced by the following text:

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(b) The right to disclose and to have disclosed to Parties and Signatories and others within the jurisdiction of any Party such inventions and technical information, and to use and to authorize and to have authorized Parties and Signatories and such others to use such inventions and technical information without payment in connexion with the INMARSAT space segment and any earth station on land, ship or aircraft operating in conjunction therewith.

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(b) (i) Without payment in connexion with the INMARSAT space segment or any earth station on land, ship or aircraft operating in conjunction therewith.