INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON AN INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO PERMIT

The Member States of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL),

Taking into account the spirit of the Charter of the Organization of American States (OAS), the provisions of the CITEL Statute, and the provisions of the Radio Regulations of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU),

Convinced of the benefits of the Amateur Radio activities and having regard for the interest of CITEL Member states in allowing citizens of any Member State who are authorized to operate in the Amateur Service in their country to operate temporarily in the Amateur Service in any other CITEL Member State,

Have agreed to enter into the following Convention for the use of an International Amateur Radio Permit (IARP):

General Provisions

Article 1

- 1. While reserving its sovereignty over the use of the radio spectrum within its jurisdiction, each State Party agrees to permit temporary operation of amateur stations under its authority by persons holding an IARP issued by another State Party without further examination. A State Party shall issue permits to operate in other State Parties only to its own citizens.
- State Parties recognize the International Amateur Radio Permit (IARP) issued under the conditions specified in this Convention.
- 3. No State Party, other than the issuing State Party, may levy fees or taxes on the IARP's.
- 4. This Convention does not modify customs regulations concerning transportation of radio equipment across national borders.