

Protection of Broadcasting Organizations

1. The Committee noted with appreciation, and commented the third part of the Study on "the Socioeconomic Dimension of the Unauthorized Use of Signals" (document SCCR/21/2) addressing the social and economic effects of the proposed treaty on the protection of broadcasting organisations. It noted, as well, the Analytical Document, prepared by the Secretariat, on the Study on the Socioeconomic Dimension of the Unauthorised Use of Signals, Parts I, II and III (document SCCR/21/4).

2. The Committee took note of the reports presented by the
 - Delegation of India on the regional seminar for Asian and Pacific Countries on the Protection of Broadcasting organisations and Audiovisual Performances which took place on July 14 to 16 in New Delhi, and
 - Delegation of Nigeria on the regional seminar for African Countries on the Protection of Broadcasting organisations and Audiovisual Performances which took place on October 18 to 20, 2010 in Abuja.

The reports of pending regional seminars will be presented to the 22nd Session of the Committee, and an analytical document containing the results and outcomes of the regional seminars will be prepared by the Secretariat for consideration of the Committee.

3. The Committee reaffirmed its commitment to continue work, on a signal-based approach, towards developing an international treaty to update the protection of broadcasting and cablecasting organizations in the traditional sense.
4. Members of the Committee are invited to present new proposals on the protection of the broadcasting organisations by March 1, 2011, if possible in treaty language, in addition to the proposals contained in the document SCCR 15/2 rev, to form the basis of the preparation of a new draft treaty.
5. The Secretariat was requested to organise, in Geneva, before the 22nd Session of the SCCR, an informal consultation meeting, involving technical experts, to clarify outstanding technical and technological issues, relevant for the updated protection of the broadcasting organisations in the traditional sense, by following the signal-based approach. The Secretariat will prepare a list of issues based on the 2007 mandate of the General Assembly, with regard to the objectives, specific scope and object of protection. The working group will report its suggestions to the Committee.
6. The protection of broadcasting organizations will be maintained on the agenda of the 22nd session of the SCCR.