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To: Member States, Associate Members, and RECs/Sub-regions

Dear Sir/Madam,

Invitation to the 10th Meeting of the ATU-R Task Group on Spectrum Recommendations (Maritime and Radiodetermination Services)

The ATU General Secretariat presents its compliments to your administration / organization and has the honour to inform that the ATU-R Task Group on Spectrum Recommendations will hold its **10th meeting**, dedicated to Maritime and Radiodetermination services, **from 2 to 4 December 2026 (12h00 – 14h30 // 15h00 – 17h30 East African Time)**. The meeting will be held online.

The objective of the meeting is to consider documents and various inputs regarding:

- Draft ATU-R Recommendation on Maritime Services
- Draft ATU-R Recommendation on Spectrum for In-Flight Broadband Connectivity (IFC) in Africa

The latest versions of both draft Recommendations, as they stand following the work of the previous meetings of the Task Group, are available in the meeting folder indicated below. A summary of the outcomes of the 9th Meeting of the Task Group is attached to this invitation (Annex).

This circular letter, therefore, serves as a kind invitation for your administration / organization to contribute inputs on the given work items for the group and also to participate in the said meeting. Administrations are particularly encouraged to share their national experiences and requirements on maritime communications (GMDSS, AIS, VDES, NAVDAT and future maritime broadband) and on in-flight connectivity (air-to-ground, satellite and terrestrial solutions). Kindly be advised that the deadline for submission of input contributions is **Friday, 20 November 2026**, via **sg@atuuat.africa** with a copy to **atu-r@atuuat.africa**. Contributors are kindly requested to use the Input Contribution Template available in the Task Group shared folder.

You are kindly requested to register via **https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/YOzCwMIRS3C3726H_aKhXA**, after which you will receive a confirmation email containing the ZOOM link to the meeting.

All documents are available in the shared folder dedicated to the meeting at **https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1qpMiZqdmdREqo7CHnDthWQESGDGcffyx**. If you have any questions or need any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

I look forward to inputs and meaningful participation by your administration / organization.

Yours faithfully,

John OMO
Secretary General

Annex: *Summary Outcomes of the 9th Meeting of the ATU Task Group on Spectrum Recommendations*

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1. Input contributions

The meeting received six (06) new input contributions, from which four (04) working documents were developed.

2. Way forward on "Coordination and Coexistence Issues"

One (1) document came out as an output document:

- *Draft ATU-R Recommendation relating to Cross-Border Interference between TDD and FDD networks:* the document will be moved to the next level and submitted for validation through a validation forum.

3. Way forward on "Innovation Promotion and Other Issues"

Three (3) documents came out as output documents:

- *Draft ATU-R Recommendation on Amateur Radio:* the document will be moved to the next level and submitted for validation through a validation forum.
- *Draft ATU-R Recommendation on Spectrums for In-Flight Broadband Connectivity in Africa:* the document is to be considered at a future meeting of the Task Group. It is therefore on the agenda of the 10th meeting.
- *Draft ATU-R Recommendation on Spectrum Aspects of the IoT:* the document is to be considered at a future meeting of the Task Group.

4. Planning of future meetings

Following the 9th meeting, the Secretariat will provide a suitable slot to the leadership of the Task Group, for convening the 10th meeting.