

DRAFT REPORT CERP Working Group UPU Oslo, 3 – 4 July 2012

Participants: CERP Chairman, WG Chairman (Norway), Austria, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Netherlands, Poland, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Spain.

Observers: European Commission, PostEurop

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

The Chairman opened the meeting and the agenda was adopted (Doc 1).

2. Report from the third meeting in Estoril 15-16 May 2012

The report from the meeting in Estoril was adopted (Doc 2).

3. Terminal dues – Nordic proposals

Two Nordic proposals on terminal dues (Doc 3b and Doc 3c) were presented during the meeting. The proposals are meant to provide both short term and longer term remedies for flaws in the UPU terminal dues provision. Both proposals amend proposals already submitted to the Doha Congress by the Council of Administration and Postal Operations Council. The proposals are supported by the Nordic governments. To qualify for consideration by the UPU Doha Congress the proposals must be sponsored by at least eight UPU member countries and submitted by July 23rd. The presentation led to some discussion about the proposals and the terminal dues system.

CERP members were invited to comment on the proposals in addition to the other selected proposals deemed of special interest prepared by the subgroup.

4. UPU proposals Batch 3 – input from subgroup for discussion

On behalf of the subgroup Spain presented a selection of proposals from Batch 3 considered of important regulatory nature which should be given special attention by CERP members. In addition some of the proposals presented in Estoril were discussed again. A list of the selected proposals presented by the subgroup can be found in Annex 1.

Some of the proposals led to discussion and it was suggested that the proposals should be studied further be each member. CERP members were kindly asked to submit their comments to the selected proposals by mid-July to the Chairman at egil.thorstensen@sd.dep.no

5. Other proposals of interests for governments and regulators

This item was discussed together with item 4.

6. Information from PostEurop on the work with proposals

PostEurop gave a short presentation regarding the status of PostEurop's preparatory work for Congress. PostEurop has sent excel files containing the proposals from Batch 1, 2 and 3 to their members and asked for opinions. The deadline for comments on Batch 3 is in July. PostEurop will have a meeting in Madrid late August where Batch 3 and 4 will be discussed. It was suggested to have contact between PostEurop and CERP in early September regarding proposals of interest for both CERP and PostEurop.

7. Next meeting

The next meeting of CERP Working Group UPU will be hosted by Germany in Mainz on 3rd and 4th September.

Confirmation of dates and meeting venue will be provided as soon as this is confirmed by the host country.

8. Any other business

The new list of proposals prepared by the subgroup from Batch 3 will be distributed to all CERP members. The Chairman informed WG that few CERP members have passed on their comments and opinions on the selected proposals from Batch 1 and 2 so far. It was suggested to set a 3 week deadline for opinions and comments on Batch 3. Some participants mentioned that they had not received the excel file prepared by the subgroup with selected proposals from Batch 1 and 2. The Chairman calls on other members to contact him if they for some reason have not received the documents. The excel file containing selected proposals from Batch 3 will be distributed in the same way to all CERP members with a deadline late in August for comments and opinions.

The Chairman informed that there has been a request from a member of CC to become a member of WG to access group documents. Currently the WG documents are restricted to WG members only. It was agreed that the requested access should not be admitted but the WG agenda and such can be sent to CC on request.

The question was raised whether the deadline for registration for the Congress has been changed to 15th July. Some participants referred to an Annex from IB where 15th July has been mentioned as deadline for registration. During the meeting, contact was made with IB which confirmed that the deadline for individual registration still is end of July.

CERP Chairman informed WG that CEPT has a budget for a meeting room/secretariat during Congress. Depending on the availability of rooms and prices the CERP Chairman will book a room which will be available during Congress for these purposes. Further information regarding meeting room will be provided by CERP Chairman at the next WG meeting

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