T/R 61-01 and Japan: Open questions - First draft of questionnaire for MIC

1. As pointed out in previous communications the specialities of the Japanese licencing system and the provisions of TR 61-01 seem to be not readily compatible in all aspects. To better be able to assess the possibilities of a solution ECO would also like to put a set of questions to MIC.

2. The basic of TR 61/01 is the fundamental principle of free "roaming" of duly authorised radio amateurs without any need to contact the licencing authorities of country visited.

   2.1 What possibilities does MIC see to realize this fundamental principle in Japan considering that today a visiting radio amateur has to officially apply - including information on his or her equipement and station location for a station licence?

   2.2 Could a simple information (by mail or e-mail) by the visiting radio amateur about his planned operating in Japan and the equipement he intends to use be acceptable to MIC? Such a solution could be included in the table of equivalency in Annex 4 of TR 61-01.

3. TR 61/01 does not make any distinction between fixed and mobile/portable operation (which is the most important form of operation for a visiting radio amateur). As ECO understands however Japan today requires separate licences for fixed and mobile/portable operations and restricts mobile/portable operations to 50 Watts transmitter output.

   3.1 What possibilities does MIC see to find a solution to this discrepancy?

   3.2 Could MIC consider to define a specific visitor's licence with full CEPT equivalency which would include both fixed and mobile/portable operation with the privileges of Japanese class 1 or 2?

4. TR 61/01 provides that there is no licence fee whatsoever for visiting radio amateurs operating under a CEPT licence. Today levies a licence fee for foreign visitors.

   4.1 Does MIC see a possibility to waive the licence fee for visitors operating under a CEPT licence?