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## **Proposal**

TSG-SA should recommend to the participating SDO's that they send either joint or individual liaisons into ITU-R TG 8/1 and ITU-T SG11 supporting the use of directly referencing 3GPP specifications by the ITU.

## **Rationale**

There is a desire from both the ITU and from 3GPP that the IMT-2000 specifications incorporate the 3GPP specifications by reference. However, there are formal obstacles to incorporating these references since the 3GPP is not a legal entity nor is it an organization formally recognized by ITU (ITU-T Recommendations A-4, A-5 and A-6). These recommendations are intended to ensure that the organizations which develop standards referenced by ITU represent a significant industry segment and have followed due process.

It is proposed that the member SDOs provide liaisons endorsing the 3GPP. In these liaisons, the SDOs can:

1. Endorse the idea of ITU directly referencing the 3GPP specifications
2. Grant to the ITU, the copyright for the 3GPP specs
3. Attest to the use of due process, openness, technical competence, stability, and industry wide participation, etc. in the 3GPP

It is important that the ITU-R TG 8/1 and ITU-T SG11 receive permission and endorsement from each of the partner SDO's that the 3GPP specifications can and should be used as references for IMT-2000 ITU specifications. Proposed boilerplate text that can form the starting point for a liaison for each SDO is described below.

## **Boilerplate text for SDO endorsement of referencing of 3GPP specifications**

As an organizational partner of the 3GPP, \_\_\_\_\_ supports the decisions by ITU-R TG 8/1 and ITU-T SG11 to adopt the "recommendation by reference" approach for incorporating the work of the 3GPP into the IMT-2000 specifications.

\_\_\_\_\_ believes that the most expedient way to accomplish this task is to have the IMT-2000 directly reference the 3GPP specifications being developed by the 3GPP.

As a organizational partner of the 3GPP, \_\_\_\_\_ owns joint copyright of the 3GPP specifications. \_\_\_\_\_ grants ITU the rights to use this material in accordance with the existing copyright agreements between \_\_\_\_\_ and ITU.

Furthermore, \_\_\_\_\_ believes that the 3GPP represents the consensus of member SDOs on IMT-2000 issues and satisfies all ITU criteria as outlined in ITU-T Recommendation A.4. These criteria include: global scope, existence of a permanent secretariat, willingness to nominate a representative, openness to all parties with a material interest, breadth of membership, technical relevance, and working methods/processes which are well documented, open, fair, supporting competition, and take into consideration anti-trust issues. It should be further noted that although the 3GPP organizations do not themselves have legal status, the partner SDOs do have legal status in the countries and regions that they represent.