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Second ECTRA Decision of 7 November 1996 Regarding a European Telephony Numbering Space (ETNS)

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The following members of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations: Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom,

considering

1.the results of the ECTRA consultation on strategic options for numbering of telecommunications services in Europe (ECTRA/PT N Doc. No 277 rev.3), notably that,

- Europe must take positive action to create a numbering environment that will facilitate harmonised user access and the development of a strong European telecommunications industry
- Europe should implement a pan-European telephony numbering space for specific pan-European services as soon as possible corresponding satisfactory global services are not available

1.strong support from the European Numbering Forum for the implementation of the ETNS

2.the Decision of the 18 October 1995 meeting of ECTRA regarding the ETNS

recalling

1.the Council Resolution 92/C 318/02 of 19 November 1992

Decide

1. to create an ETNS following the completion of ETO and ETSI studies and at the latest by 1.1.1998 subject to specific conditions to be approved later on by ECTRA Decisions;
2. to base the ETNS on CC 388;
3. to pursue studies for the establishment of the ETNS;
4. to support contributions created by the ECTRA/PT N, in consultation with the European Numbering Forum, and submitted to ITU-T, in order to secure the allocation of Country Code 388 for the ETNS;
5. to prepare the necessary measures to allow for the implementation of the ETNS;
6. that considerations of user friendliness shall prevail when implementing the ETNS.