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Dear Mr. Timofeev,

I am writing in regards to submission 8F/1065 <<http://www.itu.int/md/R03-WP8F-C-1065>> , which was recently made by IEEE to ITU-R Working Party 8F.

§1 of Annex 1 of Resolution ITU-R 1-4 indicates that "... any Radiocommunication Sector Member organization putting forward a proposal for recommendation should, from the outset, draw the attention of the Director of the Radiocommunication Bureau to any known patent or to any known pending patent application, either their own or of other organizations..."

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It is our understanding that this letter will suffice to comply with the ITU patent policy.

We request that you provide this information to WP 8F in time for its consideration of Doc. 8F/1065 at its upcoming meeting of 17-25 January 2007 in Yaoundé, Cameroon, with a contribution deadline of 10 January 2007.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry deCourcelle". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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