Future WRC Agenda Items and WRC Planning

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Future Agenda Items Process

- * WRC-19 had multiple proposals generated for WRC-23 Agenda Items
 - * Too many for a single WRC with many strong proponents for each item
 - Unable to reach agreement for all of them at WRC-23
- Solution: A compromise was reached for both a WRC-23 agenda and a preliminary agenda for WRC-27
 - Resulted in a formal change to the ITU-R policy for future agenda items as per <u>Resolution 804 (Rev.WRC-19)</u>
 - * Agendas for future WRCs are recommended to now include a standing item for the establishment of preliminary agendas for subsequent WRCs
 - * Encouraged information on possible items/topics for agenda of future WRC's to be presented at the second session of CPM in each WRC cycle

Preliminary WRC-27 Agenda Items

- * List of preliminary WRC-27 items in Resolution 812 (WRC-19)
 - * 13 different agenda items proposed for WRC-23 Agenda Item 10
- * ICAO has adopted a formal position on one item:
 - * 2.9 To consider possible additional spectrum allocations to the mobile service in the frequency band 1 300-1 350 MHz to facilitate the future development of mobile-service applications, in accordance with Resolution 250 (WRC-19).
- * The new process at WRC-23 for preliminary agenda items means there is some uncertainty on how 'fixed' these future proposals will be during Agenda Item 10 discussions

Agenda Item 10 (2.9 – L-Band Radars)

'To consider possible additional spectrum allocations to the mobile service in the frequency band 1 300-1 350 MHz to facilitate the future development of mobile-service applications, in accordance with Resolution 250 (WRC-19).'

- * Long-range ATC radar operated in many ICAO States
 - * Operated in this frequency band due to the minimal atmospheric effects such as loss from rain and fog, and the low external background noise levels
- Issue has been studied before at WRC-15 Agenda Item 1.1
 - * Studies with IMT and the incumbent 1 300-1 350 MHz radar systems demonstrated that co-frequency sharing was not possible
- Additional contributions to preliminary AI 2.9 were provided to CPM23-2 but no changes were made to the original text from WRC-19

ICAO Position - To oppose a new agenda item for WRC-27 for an additional spectrum allocation to the mobile service in the frequency band 1 300-1 350 MHz.

Possible New Agenda Items for WRC-27

- * Multiple new agenda item proposals for WRC-27 were received at CPM23-2. Examples include:
 - * Removing of aeronautical limitation for 694-960 MHz
 - * Worldwide allocation to the MSS between [1.5-5 GHz] for narrowband SATCOM
 - * Radiolocation applications in the frequency range 275-700 GHz
 - * Appendix 18 (Maritime VHF) review
 - * 7 24 GHz studies for new IMT systems

ICAO Planning for WRC-23

- * ICAO Staff will be attending the full WRC-23
 - * Loftur Jonasson,
 - * Mie Utsunomiya,
 - * IsaiahTefutor, and
 - * Several CNS Regional Officers
- Expected to hold a dedicated ICAO meeting(s) at the WRC for all CAA and aviation industry representatives to
 - * Establish links between aviation participants
 - * Provide updates on ICAO issues
 - * Allow for any questions to ICAO staff to support the ICAO position with the leadership of Administrations (as needed)