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TERMS OF REFERENCE

OF THE JOINT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF FREQUENCIES ALONG THAILAND – MYANMAR COMMON BORDER

The Kingdom of Thailand and the Republic of the Union of Myanmar agreed to set up the committee to cooperate on frequency usage along the common borders through the mechanism of 'Joint Technical Committee on Coordination and Assignment of Frequencies along the Common Border (JTC)' with the purpose of its work on a basis under the following terms of reference.

FUNCTIONS

The JTC shall be responsible and report to the Joint Commission for Bilateral Cooperation between the Kingdom of Thailand and the Republic of the Union of Myanmar (JC). Its functions are as follows:

1. to promote bilateral cooperation that contributes to the effective assignment of frequencies along Thailand-Myanmar common border;

2. to plan, allocate and assign frequencies utilization for coordination in order to prevent problems from arising in the future;

3. to take measures to mitigate unauthorized cross-border use of frequency and to resolve all outstanding radio frequency interference (RFI) problems along the common border areas, particularly on mobile and broadcasting services;

4. to conduct joint surveys on the use of radiocommunication services including telecommunication and broadcasting services and check overlapping signals along the common border areas;

5. to determine maximum permissible interference field strengths and maximum cross-border range of harmful interference for frequencies requiring co-ordination;

6. to implement any other recommendation of the JC.

COMPOSITION

The JTC shall consist of representatives from Thailand and Myanmar . JTC members shall include officials from agencies responsible for telecommunication and broadcasting services of the concerned countries. Officials and representatives from other relevant agencies and operators may also be included.

The chief representatives of Thailand and Myanmar shall act as co-chairmen of the meeting.

The host country shall provide the Secretariat, which is responsible for the preparation of the provisional agenda and minutes of the meeting of the JTC and other matters authorized by the JTC.

WORKING GROUP

One or more working groups may be established to assist the JTC in the implementation of JTC's work, if necessary.

FREQUENCY AND VENUE OF MEETING

The JTC shall meet at least once a year or as frequently as determined by itself.

The meeting shall be held in Thailand and Myanmar alternately.