Article B.10
Co-location

Each Party shall ensure, in accordance with its laws and regulations, that a major supplier which has control over essential facilities in its territory allows suppliers of public telecommunications transport networks or services of another Party to locate their equipment within the major supplier's buildings on terms and conditions, including technical feasibility and space availability where applicable, and at cost-oriented rates, that are reasonable, non-discriminatory (including with respect to timeliness) and transparent.

Article B.11
Independent Telecommunications Regulatory Body

1. Each Party shall ensure that its telecommunications regulatory body is separate from, and not accountable to, any supplier of telecommunications services.

Note: For greater certainty, "supplier of telecommunications services" is not limited to a supplier of public telecommunications transport networks or services.

2. Each Party shall ensure that the decisions of, and the procedures used by, its telecommunications regulatory body are impartial with respect to all market participants.

Article B.12
Universal Service

Each Party has the right to define the kind of universal service obligations it wishes to maintain. Such obligations shall not be regarded as anti-competitive *per se*, provided that they are administered in a transparent, non-discriminatory and competitively neutral manner, and are not more burdensome than necessary for the kind of universal service defined by the Party.

Article B.13
Licensing

1. Where a licence, concession, permit, registration or other type of authorisation is required for the supply of public telecommunications transport networks or services, each Party shall make publicly available:

(a) all the licensing or other authorisation criteria and procedures, and the period of time normally required to reach a decision concerning an application for a licence, concession, permit, registration or other type of authorisation; and

(b) the terms and conditions of individual licences, concessions, permits, registrations or other type of authorisations it has issued.

2. The competent authority of a Party shall notify an applicant of the outcome of its application without undue delay after a decision has been taken. In case a decision is taken to deny an application for a licence, concession, permit, registration or other type of authorisation, the competent authority of the Party shall make known to the applicant, upon request, the reason for the denial.

Article B.14
Allocation and Use of Scarce Resources

1. Each Party shall carry out its procedures for the allocation and use of scarce resources related to telecommunications, including frequencies, and numbers in an objective, timely, transparent and non-discriminatory manner.

2. Each Party shall make publicly available the current state of allocated frequency bands, but shall not be required to provide detailed identification of frequencies allocated for specific government uses.