

**To : Ms. Areewan Haorangsi**  
**Secretary General**  
**Asia Pacific Telecommunity**  
**Bangkok – Thailand**

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Dear Madam,

Reference is made to APT circular letter dated April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, subjecting "Nomination of candidates for the post chairman, vice-chairman and other official bearers of APG for WRC-19" ,

I, once again, have the pleasure of presenting Mr. Kavouss Arasteh Moghaddam, the adviser to the ICT Ministry of Iran, as the candidate for the post chairman of the APT Preparatory Group (APG) during the next World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-19).

Mr. Arasteh has capably served the current APG as the Vice-Chairman for two consecutive terms and as a well-known person he is quite qualified to occupy the position.

He has many experiences in the field and can positively contribute to the progress of APT during his term of office.

CV of Mr. Arasteh is attached for further perusal. You are kindly requested to consider his candidature and take appropriate measure in this concern. s/7/2

Sincerely,

**Hossein Malek**  
**Director General**  
**International Affairs and Strategic Studies**

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## CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: ARASTEH Kavouss

Date of Birth: 01 July 1944

Nationality: Iranian

Executive Summary:

1964-1986

Mr. ARASTEH education includes the B.Sc. in Electronics and Electrical Engineering (1964) from the Faculty of Telecommunication, Teheran, Iran, the M.Sc. in Electrical Engineering, with a concentration in Telecommunications (1975), from the University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom. He is fluent in oral and written English, with good proficiency in French, and a working knowledge of Spanish.

In telecommunications all his professional life, his national experience began with a rapidly expanding telecommunication and broadcasting systems, culminating in a few years as Director of International Technical Affairs for the application of radio regulations and frequency management systems. Concurrently he served as Chief Coordinator for all national studies relating to preparatory works for Plenipotentiary Conferences, World and Regional Radiocommunication Conferences, other ITU Assemblies and Conferences (RA, WTDC, WTSa, RAG, TSAG and TDAG) as well as ITU Study Groups.

He also played an active role at CCIR Assembly, 1974, WARC-77 SAT, CCIR Assembly 1978, WARC-79, PP 1982, WARC-84 and WARC-ORB-85 by coordinating the Regional activities in order to enable these Conferences to resolve complex issues and arrive at satisfactory solutions meeting the requirement of the concerned State Members.

1986-2001

In 1986 he joined the International Telecommunications Union in the Notification and Plans Division SNP of the Space Services Department of the ex-IFRB/now Radiocommunication Bureau.

Since 1991 Mr. ARASTEH served as Head, Notification and Plans Division of the Space Services Department/SSD, at times serving as Acting Head SSD. He participated in CCIR/ITU-R Study Groups for World Administrative Radio Conferences, preparing various reports to these fora and serving as secretary to several WARC/WRC committees and subcommittees.

As Chairman/ Leader of the Planning Exercise Team (PXT) on the revision of the Broadcasting Satellites Plans in Regions 1 and 3, he was a key player in drafting the revised Plans adopted at WRC-97. He also prepared all draft Rules of Procedures relating to the application of the Radio Regulations for Space Services approved by the Radio Regulations Board in 1994 and 1998 and published by the Board.

The quality of work that made him a world-renowned figure in his field was publicly demonstrated when he served as Chief Architect and the ITU Team Leader for the successful

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revision of the fully digital Broadcasting Satellite Services (BSS) Downlink, and the associated Feeder-link Plans, including the basic List(s) for Regions 1 and 3 at the Istanbul World Radiocommunication Conference 2000 (WRC-2000).

This was the first Plan in the 135 year story of ITU that was adopted without any objection whatsoever from any State Members of the Union. In addition, he and his team were honored by an unprecedented standing ovation by all government delegates many of whom introduced individual laudatory statements for the record. Appreciation for this

accomplishment was also cited by the ITU Secretary-General in his closing remarks by which Mr. Arasteh was presented a Gold Medal.

2001-2013

After retiring from ITU, in April 2001, Mr. Arasteh continued from 2001 until now to demonstrate his high quality performance in attending various ITU meeting and positively and constructively contributed to the activities of the Union, mainly, in Radiocommunication Sector. In addition to his routine activities mentioned above, he also accomplished and achieved the following: From 2003-2004, at ITU Council Meetings, Mr. Arasteh has constructively contributed to the achievements of the Council in the areas of biennial budget (consensus building and agreement emerging), preparation of several Council draft Resolutions and Decisions. In 2004, Mr. Arasteh co-chaired the first session of Regional Radiocommunication Conference 2004 (RRC-04). He very effectively contributed to the establishment of the friendly atmosphere that had been maintained throughout the Conference resulting in the creation of a spirit of cooperation which had prevailed over confrontation. Mr. Arasteh, through his able chairmanship produced the synergy that had successfully blended the disparate views of the many into a single, strong alloy, and one which could ensure the success of the second session. No other conferences had reached so many technical agreements without reservations or footnotes. In 2005, at Council CO5 meeting, he chaired the Council Group on satellite Cost Recovery Group which was one of the most controversial and most complex issues before the Council. He very successfully resolved this very complex issue which was before the ITU since 2002. In 2006, Mr. Arasteh chaired the second Session of the Regional Radiocommunication Conference (RRC-06). After five weeks of intensive deliberations, the Conference, under his chairmanship approved the Regional Agreement for digital terrestrial broadcasting and the associated plans. This broadcasting Conference was the most ever held complex one dealing with a combination of different broadcasting features. The Conference was ended with outstanding and unprecedented success. The Secretary General of the ITU in his closing remarks made a statement as contained in ITU Documents in this regard when Mr. Arasteh was presented with an ITU Medal and the unique title of "Chairman Emeritus". Statements made by representatives of Regional Group at that Conference reproduced in Annex are examples of appreciation and gratitude to the very able leadership of Mr. Kavouss Arasteh. In 2006 he also chaired the legal and policy committee of Plenipotentiary Conference 2006, Antalya Turkey which was one of the most and controversial committees of the PP-06. He managed to successfully accomplish the very difficult and complex tasks assigned to him and his committee.

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In 2007, at WRC-07, Mr. Arasteh played an outstanding role in a reconciliatory manner, in achieving an agreement between the fixed-satellite service community, on one hand, and the mobile community, on the other hand, in frequency bands between 3.4-4.2 GHz known as "the magic compromise" which resulted to save the WRC-07 from a deadlock/ obstacle. He also contributed to resolve many regulatory issues the Conference was facing. In 2008, at WTSA-08, Mr. Arasteh was one of the key players for the assembly at various levels and on various issues, including but not limited to Resolutions on Interoperability and test conformance, combating and countering Spam, bridging standardization gap, issues related to international internet-related public policy and working methods of ITU-T. In 2010, Mr. Arasteh was a Key negotiating delegate to bring closer the views of developing and developed countries at WTDC-10, Hyderabad, India and at PP-10 Guadalajara Mexico. At the

later Conference he held the Vice chairmanship of Committee 5 (legal and policy issues) as well as the chairman of Working Group on Stable Constitution. In fact he was the author of several APT Common proposals, more than 40 proposals, and in particular those related to the Stable Constitution. It was one of the most delicate, sensitive and fundamental issues before the conference. The Working Group was tasked to establish the required course of action on how the Constitution of the Union was to be stabilized. He successfully accomplished the tasks entrusted to him and finalized the corresponding Resolution for that purpose. He was also a key negotiator on the internet –related proposals and resolutions such as Resolutions 101, 102,130 and 133.

In 2012, at WTSA-12 and WCIT-12, Mr. Arasteh played a key role in coordinating the APT activities and common proposals as well as preparing APT positions for discussion at the coordination meeting to reflect the viewpoints of APT. Many of these actions were highly productive and were accepted by the two above-mentioned conferences. His deep knowledge and rich background on the subjects under discussion highly contributed to the progress of the two Conferences and provided a positive and constructive and proactive image for the APT. At WCIT-12 in Dubai which was the most political and most complex events happened in the ITU after 24 years he played a major Role in achieving the objectives of developing countries in revising the International Telecommunication Regulations .His major achievement there was when he moved a motion of order in support of African Proposal for the availability and access of all Member States to telecommunication services (Internet) which resulted a successful outcome and the provisions as he suggested was included in the preamble of the Regulations. He was spokesman of Asia Pacific Telecommunity and led that regional organization. The chairman of the Conference recognized and acknowledged his valuable contributions to the fruitful results of the Conference

In 2013, at WTPF-13 including its three preparatory informal meetings, Mr. Arasteh also played a major role in bringing the ideas and viewpoints of all participants at these meetings which for the first time was inclusive, transparent and open to all in a multistakeholder model. Such role constructively and efficiently contributed to the success of that meeting.

Mr. Arasteh has actively participated at all ITU-R and some ITU-T Study Groups during the last cycle (2012-2015), CPM 15-2 and contributed to the success of these meeting.

He has been one of the Key role players at Plenipotentiary 2014 Busan .Republic of Korea.

Attached please find a copy of the letter sent by the Chairman of PP-14 to the minister of ICT of the I.R. of Iran.

Mr. Arasteh was a key player at WRC-15 on several agenda items. He made its utmost effort to bring that conference to success. Attached is a copy of the letter sent by the chairman of WRC-15 to the Minister of ICT of the Islamic Republic of Iran

Mr. Arasteh is an internationally recognized expert on technical, the legal and procedural aspects of ICT very often referred to as the “ITU encyclopedia”.



11 November, 2014

His Excellency Dr. Mahmoud Vaezi,  
Minister of Communication and Information Technology  
Islamic Republic of Iran  
Teheran

**ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2014, Busan, Republic of Korea**

His Excellency,

Allow me to extend my deep appreciation for your participation at PP-14 and congratulate you for the important contributions made by Iran at the Conference.

I am also writing to you, in the capacity of the Chairman of the 19<sup>th</sup> ITU Plenipotentiary Conference, to express my sincere gratitude to you in providing Mr. Kavouss Arasteh to attend and participate in PP-14.

Mr. Arasteh's longstanding and valuable experience in the activities of the ITU, and his deep knowledge of the ITU Constitution and the Convention and Administrative Regulations, contributed considerably to the activities and proceedings of the Conference.

Indeed, Mr. Arasteh's constructive and timely contributions were instrumental to the smooth functioning and success of the Conference. This fact was highly appreciated by me and all Conference Delegations.

I wish to highlight the positive and practical contributions Mr. Arasteh made in the retention of the structure and hierarchy of the Basic Instruments of the ITU, Global Flight Tracking, Capacity Building in the Management of Interference, Decisions 5 and 11, Non Discriminatory Access to the Internet, RRB Processes, and the ITU's Internet related Resolutions. Mr. Arasteh also made important contributions to the two Resolutions submitted by the Republic of Korea and adopted at PP-14.

In this context, allow me congratulate the Ministry for having such a knowledgeable and experienced expert in Mr. Arasteh. I kindly request that you convey my deep and sincere appreciation.

I wish to take this opportunity to assure you of my highest considerations.

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**7<sup>th</sup> December, 2015**

**His Excellency Dr. Mahmoud Vaezi,**  
Honourable Minister,  
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Islamic Republic of Iran,  
Teheran.

**Your Excellency**

**ITU 2015 WORLD RADIOCOMMUNICATION CONFERENCE (WRC-15)**  
**GENEVA SWITZERLAND 2<sup>ND</sup>-27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2015**

I write to you in my capacity as the Chairman of the ITU 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-15) and to sincerely thank you for your presence at the Conference, which took place in Geneva, Switzerland from 2<sup>nd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> November 2015 and to show my appreciation and gratitude for the excellent contribution of your delegation to the success of the Conference.

2. I want to put on record particularly the magnificent and excellent interventions and suggestions of solutions proposed by Mr. Kavouss Arasteh to all challenging issues that were contentious during the Conference. He was able to intervene in a particular situation that could have resulted in a vote. Thanks to his timely and précised intervention on the issue.

3. Mr. Kavouss Arasteh's longstanding and valuable experience in the activities of the ITU, couple with his deep knowledge of the ITU Radio Regulations as well as the Constitution and Convention and Administrative Regulations of the Union, contributed in no small measure to the activities and proceedings of the Conference

4. Mr. Kavouss Arasteh's constructive and timely contributions were instrumental to the smooth functioning and success of the Conference. This was publicly acknowledged by me in my closing remarks and was generally applauded by the entire Conference Delegations.

5. I will like to recognise the specific contribution of Mr. Kavouss Arasteh to the development of new resolutions on High Altitude Platforms (HAPs) and spectrum allocation to Global Flight Tracking. He was instrumental to the development of new resolutions on agenda items for future WRCs and contributed

greatly in resolving issues of Earth Stations on Moving Platforms (ESOMP) and Earth Stations in Motion (ESIM) and so many others.

6. As you are already aware, the ITU World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) is the most important conference of the union. It has the responsibility of revising the Radio Regulations (RR), the international treaty governing the use of the radio-frequency spectrum and the geostationary-satellite and non-geostationary-satellite orbital resources. The ITU itself is celebrating its 150 years existence and within this period, Africa has never had the chance of Chairing a WRC. My appointment as the Chairman of the WRC-15 at this historic time was a litmus test for Africa and I am very glad that, Mr. Kavouss Arasteh is a part of this history that brought about the success of the WRC-15 under my Chairmanship, thus putting on record that Africa is able to Chair a WRC.

7. It is therefore my honest prayers that God will continue to sustain Mr. Kavouss Arasteh for us the younger generation so that we will be able to tap from his wealth of experiences. It is thus my heart desire to see Mr. Kavouss Arasteh continue in his role of participating in the activities of the ITU so that he will continue to render advises that will see to the progress and uplifting of the union to higher levels. His participation will also be a source of capacity building for the younger generation in ITU.

8. Mr. Kavouss Arasteh is an institution of knowledge himself and it gladdens my heart that the Islamic Republic of Iran through the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology was able to provide the services of Mr. Kavouss Arasteh during the WRC-15, which was instrumental to the success of the Conference that has been acclaimed the best in the history of the ITU.

9. I therefore wish to request that Your Excellency convey to Mr. Kavouss Arasteh my deep and sincere appreciation for all his contributions towards the success of the WRC-15.

10. I look forward to a continuous working relationship with your team and in particular with Mr. Kavouss Arasteh.

11. Please accept the assurances of my highest regards and considerations.



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