INTERNATIONAL ROAMING

A SIMPLE APPROACH
FOR WORLD WIDE
DEPLOYMENT

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WHAT IS REQUIRED

- ● MUST MEET REGULATORY REQIREMENTS.
    - ◆ WILL GET HELP FROM INDUSTRIES TO BRING SOME COUNTRIES IN LINE
- ● DESIRABLE NOT TO REV THE MAC
    - ◆ KEEP IT SIMPLE
- ● APPLICABLE FOR ALL PHY'S
    - ◆ THE CURRENT MAC HAS SOME PHY SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT ENTITIES
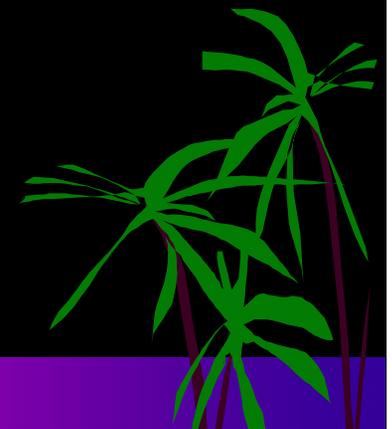- ● APPLICABLE FOR IBSS
    - ◆ BUT BE CAREFULL

HOW IT WORKS

- ACCESS POINTS KEEP THE COUNTRY INFO
  - THEY MUST BE CONFIGURED
- PASSIVE SCANNING USED ON MOBILE UNITS
  - CANNOT XMIT TILL A VALID CHANNEL IS KNOWN
- NEW ELEMENTS IN PROBE / PROBE RESPONSE
  - PROBE FOR COUNTRY INFO
  - RESPOND WITH COUNTRY SPECIFIC INFO

CONFIGURATION

- ● ONE STA (AP?) MUST BE CONFIGURED TO CORRECT COUNTRY.

- ● A NEW MIB VARIABLE

  - ◆ THIS ENABLES INTERNATIONAL ROAMING
  - ◆ IF THIS VARIABLE IS SET, A STA WILL DROP BACK TO PASSIVE SCANNING IF IT LOSSES SYNC WITH IT'S CURRENT ESS.
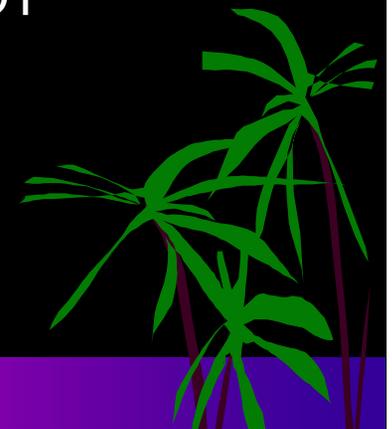 - ◆ APPLICABLE FOR WIRELESS AP'S

NEW ELEMENTS

- ● IN PROBE
  - ◆ REQUESTS COUNTRY SPECIFIC INFO

- ● IN PROBE RESPONSE
  - ◆ COUNTRY NAME STRING (NOT ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED, BUT GOOD FOR PROOF OF COMPLIANCE)
  - ◆ PHY SPECIFICDATA
    - • DS, CHANNEL #S
    - • FH, HOP CHARACTERISTICS

FH ELEMENT

- ● FLAGS
  - ◆ 0 = 802.11, 1 = HOP DELTA

- ● FIRST CHANNEL

- ● NUMBER OF CHANNELS

- ● TABLE - RANDOM TO INDEX TABLE
  - ◆ LENGTH = NUMBER OF CHANNELS
  - ◆ NOTE THAT HOP DELTA COUNTRIES DO NOT INCLUDE THIS TABLE

DS ELEMENT

- FIRST CHANNEL
- NUMBER OF CHANNELS