The meeting of TR-45 that was convened on March 7, 2007, granted the Ad-Hoc Group on International Mobile Telecommunications the ability to establish informal liaisons with other registered evaluation groups as considered appropriate. This correspondence falls under that provision. This correspondence was considered and approved by the Ad-Hoc Group on International Mobile Telecommunications.

TIA TR-45 received notification of a proposal for a sixth Radio Transmission Technology (RTT) via ITU-R Circular Letter, 8/LCCE/153, dated 14 February, 2007. TR-45 considered the Circular Letter at their meeting of March 7 - 8, 2007, and, in order to continue to assist ITU-R WP 8F in their work, agreed to perform an evaluation of the proposal. Per the request in 8/LCCE/153, Colin Langtry, ITU-R Counsellor, SG8, has been notified of our decision.

In order to expedite the work, TR-45 agreed to create the Ad-Hoc Group on International Mobile Telecommunications, TR-45.AHIMT, to perform the evaluation. The scope and charter of that group was developed and agreed at the meeting of TR-45, and may be found at:

http://www.tiaonline.org/standards/committees/tr-45/

We note in 8/LCCE/153 the inclusion of the following:

The proponents of "IP-OFDMA" have invited evaluation groups to a workshop on "IP-OFDMA" in mid March, the details of which are provided on the ITU-R web site mentioned above.

Following the links on the ITU-R web site mentioned in 8/LCCE/153 revealed an offer to host a meeting of evaluation groups in Orlando, FL, USA, on 13-14 March 2007. Unfortunately, the earliest that the first meeting of the ad-hoc group could be scheduled was March 15, 2007. Consequently, no official representation of the evaluation group was able to attend your workshop. However, during the meeting of TR-45 on March 7-8, 2007, members of TR-45 interested in this work were encouraged to attend.

The Ad-Hoc Group on International Mobile Telecommunications looks forward to fruitful exchanges as our work progresses.

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Chair, TR-45.AHIMT

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