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Committee Secretary
Joint Standing Committee on Treaties
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Dear Committee Secretary

RE: Radio Regulations – WRC-19. Partial Revision of the 2015 Radio Regulations, as incorporated into the Final Acts of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2019 (WRC-19) (Sharm El-Sheikh, 22 November 2019)

Communications Alliance welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties' reporting of the Partial Revision of the 2015 Radio Regulations.

Communications Alliance is the primary telecommunications industry body in Australia. Its membership is drawn from a wide cross-section of the communications industry, including carriers, carriage and internet service providers, content providers, equipment vendors, IT companies, consultants and business groups. Of relevance to this inquiry, our Satellite Services Working Group (SSWG) represents and advances the interests of the members of Communications Alliance involved in the delivery of satellite-based network facilities and services on a wholesale and/or retail basis. The SSWG's membership includes more than twenty companies working in the space and satellite sector, including satellite operators and service providers, teleport operators, satellite and ground-segment equipment manufacturers, earth-station installers and sectoral experts. The Group is focused in the delivery of satellite-based network facilities and services on a wholesale and/or retail basis.

Communications Alliance supports the action of Parliament to consent for Australia to be bound by the Partial Revision of the Radio Regulations, recognising the benefits in aligning Australia with the international community on the use of radiofrequency spectrum and orbital resources and strengthen international cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Stanton'.

John Stanton
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