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Draft Resolution A

Universal adherence to the Metre Convention

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Part 1 – Motivation for Draft Resolution A

On universal adherence to the Metre Covention

À tous les temps, à tous les peoples





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For all time, for all people

The gap in the framework



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193 UN member states – 69 Member States – 31 (3) Associates States (Economies) = **82 Potential observers**

What is “Observer” status?

New participation model - “Observer” consistent with approach of other IGOs

Does not require changes to the Metre convention to implement

Any *State* having interest in the BIPM work (that are not yet participating as Member States or Associates) can become Observers

States which were previously Member States or Associates active in the CIPM MRA **cannot become Observers**

Associate States which are not actively participating in the CIPM MRA can become Observers anytime if they wish so

An Observer (State) may decide to become an Associate State or a Member State at an appropriate time in the future

No membership fee

No participation in the CIPM MRA

No cost to existing members

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“Observer” status shall be also open to any intergovernmental organization (IGO) having activities related to the Vision, Mission and Objectives of the BIPM and interest in the BIPM work.

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Videos:

- Tajikistan
- El Salvador
- Sierra Leone

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Part 2 – Introduction to Draft Resolution A

On universal adherence to the Metre Convention



recognizing that

- maximizing the uptake and impact of the SI and UTC world-wide depends on lasting and universal adherence of States to the Metre Convention,

- there are States that do not participate in the activities of the BIPM, but are committed to the use of the SI and UTC,

- many such States take part in the activities of Regional Metrology Organizations (RMOs) and wish to be engaged in the international metrology community,

- the needs of such States may differ from those of Member States and Associates of the CGPM,

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decides

- to provide States that do not participate in the activities of the BIPM, but are committed to the use of the SI and UTC, with the means to establish links to the world-wide measurement system by instituting the status of Observer, whereby Observer States

    - will be invited to observe the decision making at meetings of the CGPM,
    - will be given the opportunity to participate in certain activities organized by the BIPM, such as meetings, workshops and capacity building activities,
    - will not be required to pay any annual contribution or subscription and will therefore not be entitled to benefit from technical and scientific services provided by the BIPM,

- to invite States wishing to become Observers to apply to the Director of the BIPM either directly or through one of their diplomatic missions,

further decides

- to expand the status of Observer to intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) whose objectives and missions are complementary to those of the BIPM and meet criteria to be established by the CIPM, so that
    - Observer Organizations will be invited to observe the decision making at meetings of the CGPM,
- to invite IGOs wishing to become Observers to apply to the Director of the BIPM,

encourages the CIPM to meet the capacity building needs of Observer States by actively seeking collaborations and support,

invites the Director of the BIPM to publish the list of States and IGOs having been granted Observer status.

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Videos:

- **Lesotho**
- **Papua New Guinea**

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Questions

