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FOREWORD

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The World Telecommunication Standardization Conference (WTSC), which meets every four years, establishes the topics for study by the ITU-T Study Groups which, in their turn, produce Recommendations on these topics.

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In some areas of information technology which fall within ITU-T's purview, the necessary standards are prepared on a collaborative basis with ISO and IEC.

NOTE

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Recommendation A.5

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ANNEX B

Information specific to The ATM Forum documents

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The output documents of The ATM Forum are referred to as Implementation Agreements or, in some cases, as Specifications. The information that should be included in the ITU-T member contribution, following the format in Appendix I, includes:

- A clear description of The ATM Forum Specification or Implementation Agreement (identification number, date of approval, title).
- 2 Type of Reference (normative or informative).
- Justification for the specific reference, including a statement that "The ATM Forum prefers that its approved documents be referenced rather than reproduced within ITU-T Recommendations."
- 4 Current information, if any, about Intellectual Property Rights issues, including a statement that "An on-line identification of patent declarations is available at the following URL: http://www.atmforum.com/specs/patent decl.html"
- 5/6 Only approved Implementation Agreements or Specifications of The ATM Forum should be referenced in published ITU-T Recommendations.
- Relationship of The ATM Forum Implementation Agreement or Specification with other existing or emerging documents.
- **8** Any reference(s) nested within the referenced text.
- **9** Qualification of The ATM Forum:
 - **9.1-9.6** Qualification decision was made by ITU-T in 1995 and is reflected in the Director's Action List.
 - 9.7 The ATM Forum is responsible for ongoing maintenance of its Specifications and Implementation Agreements when the need arises. Comments on those documents, reflecting implementation experience, may be captured in Implementation Tip Sheets or in clearly identified new versions of the specification that are posted on the public web site of The ATM Forum. The procedures for withdrawal of specifications are documented in the Membership Guidelines of The ATM Forum.
 - **9.8** Each revision of a given Specification or Implementation Agreement has a different identification number, so no confusion is possible. All approved documents always remain available on-line. An index of the approved documents may be found at the public web site of The ATM Forum

http://www.atmforum.com/atmforum/specs/approved.html.

A "Spec Watch", providing the current work plan including status of draft documents, is maintained on-line also

http://www.atmforum.com/atmforum/specs/specwatch.html.

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