4.Proposed revision to Recommendation N.55

ORGANIZATION, RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS OF CONTROL AND SUB-CONTROL ITCs AND CONTROL AND SUB-CONTROL STATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL TELEVISION CONNECTIONS, LINKS, CIRCUITS AND CIRCUIT SECTIONS

Add the following new section:

"10.International television transmissions for TVROs not related to an ITC

For international television transmissions for TVROs not related to an ITC (see Figure 6/N.51), a fault reporting centre (FRC) should perform the following functions:

- deal with enquiries concerning service performance and fault reports;

- deal with general enquiries from other TVROs/FRCs;

- make contact with the ISTC (see below) in the originating country for fault reporting and general service liaison.

In an originating country the administration concerned should nominate an International Satellite Transmission Centre for every transmitted service. Where possible, all services transmitted by an administration shall be handled by the same ISTC.

The ISTC should perform the following functions:

- to be a contact point for FRCs and for the programme originators making enquiries concerned with service continuity;

- to liaise with the transmitting earth station and any intermediate sub-control station for fault investigations and technical coordination;

- to monitor transmissions from programme originators' premises and to have the capability to monitor the transmission from the satellite.

In the case where programme material is received by TVROs in the country of origination, the ISTC and the FRC should be co-located where possible and the duties combined."