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1. **Introduction – Activity since 2005.** IARU Region 1 has attended 8 meetings of CEPT WGRA and 4 meetings with ERO and the RA2/6 sub group on radio amateur matters. The meeting notes have been circulated to EC. The following are the key issues over the period.

1. T/R 61-01 has now been adopted by 32 administrations (2005 was 17).
2. T/R 61-02 has now been adopted by 28 administrations (2005 was 12).
3. CEPT Novice (ECC/Doc/(05)06) has been adopted by 8 administrations.
4. CEPT Report (ECC/DOC/((05)05 recommending early access to 7MHz has been adopted by 7 administrations.
5. Doc. ECC Report 89 titled 'A radio amateur entry level examination and licence' was published and provides guidance for administrations and IARU societies who are considering introducing such a class.
6. An ERO report on enforcement of amateur radio regulations was prepared and circulated to IARU societies.
7. Equivalence between non-CEPT country licence classes. Following the simplification of the US licence system ERO reassessed the equivalence table which resulted in a change to the US classes equivalent to the CEPT licence. The issue of the equivalence between US General and CEPT Novice is being discussed between FCC and ERO.
8. IARU R1 continues to have good relations with ERO. The ERO Forum on radio amateur matters is working effectively but an annual meeting with ERO has been established to facilitate relations.
9. The IARU Region 1 Medal was presented to Rudolf Reider who was the outgoing chair of WGRA RA6 for radio amateur matters.

2. Current Issues.

1. Maintenance of pressure upon administrations to update their status of T/R 61-01 (removal of HF access and Morse). This is now focussed on 5 priority countries namely, France, Italy, Spain, Poland and Turkey. We are also trying to limit the number of countries who have attached footnotes to their equivalence table entries.
2. T/R 61-02 syllabus revisions – these are now likely to be very limited. Publication of question banks awaits release of any English language versions. This is delayed at present.
3. Revision of the ERO website is continuing and when complete, the entries for all of the amateur radio entries will be revised and a list of FAQs installed. This latter is to help with ambiguous areas of CEPT licensing.
4. Equivalence between Australian licence classes and CEPT. The new Australian Visitor licence applies to CEPT licence holders. Discussions are on going between ERO and FCC on the equivalence of the Australian and the CEPT licence classes, the equivalence with T/R 61-02 having been agreed earlier.
5. Thailand. No progress due to changes in the Thailand administration.
6. CITEL. Despite fresh contacts between ERO and CITEL and the submission by IARU R1 of a note on the benefits of ratifying this MoU, no real progress has been made.
7. Many administrations are under severe cost and resource limitations and therefore it is critical to maintain working relationships with them to ensure that the radio amateur service maintains their positive support.

3. Future goals and work programme.

1. Ensure that the current CEPT licenses are up to date and are adopted and properly implemented by as many CEPT and non-CEPT administrations as possible.
2. Ensure that web based information sources on radio amateur licensing are correct and up to date.
3. Continue to encourage countries to join the CEPT licence system.
4. Work with staff at ERO and both CEPT and non-CEPT administrations on matters of radio amateur licensing.
5. Answer ad-hoc questions from individual radio amateurs on licensing.

4. Recommendation

That conference endorse the proposed goals and work programme for RRWG for the next period.