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Dear Dick:

On behalf of the United States International Telecommunication Union Association (USITUA), I would like to express our appreciation for the opportunity to participate in the United States Delegation to the 2009 Session of Council. The Board of Directors has agreed that I, the Chair of USITUA, should fulfill this important role as an industry expert on the U.S. Delegation.

For your further information, the Board notes that USITUA is a member-run organization with no professional staff. All members are employees of the organization which they represent in the USITUA, and have responsibilities accordingly.

The 2009 session of Council is of particular importance as the Union prepares for the upcoming Plenipotentiary in Veracruz. In light of the breadth and significance – both to government and industry – of the issues to be addressed, including the ITU Mark, Internet governance, ITU structure and instruments, and Development, we are of the firm view that wide industry representation and expertise is an important and essential resource for the U.S. Delegation to Council, and other such ITU meetings.

USITUA membership remains committed to providing expert assistance to the U.S. Government in its ITU advocacy. Please let us know any further support that we can provide.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Audrey L. Allison'.

Audrey L. Allison
Chair

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