

13th CONGRESS

Rules of Procedure of Congresses – Proposal

19.1.1

Article 1
General provisions

CHINA, NEW ZEALAND

Amend as follows:

2005 Seoul Text

The present Rules of Procedure have been drawn up pursuant to the provisions of the General Regulations.

Proposed Text

The present Rules of Procedure have been drawn up pursuant to the / ... / **Acts of the Union and are subordinate to them. In the event of a discrepancy between one of their provisions and a provision of the Acts, the latter shall prevail.**

Reasons. – the (proposed) text that has been added is copied from the UPU Congress RoP (Article 1). The effect of the UPU text is to specify the relationship between the RoP and the Acts, including which takes precedence in the event of a discrepancy between respective provisions.

In the APPU context, the Congress RoP are related to Article 105, § 7 of the APPU General Regulations (which states that Congress shall apply its RoP for the organisation of its work and the conduct of its debates).

Although the proposal is of an editorial nature, the Sub-Group believes it is a tidy way in which to complete the link between the RoP and the Acts, and to provide clarity in the event of a discrepancy between provisions.