

- No attempt to take advantage of relevant IETF RFCs when attempting to specify a framework or methods of measurement for the performance of the **Internet** (where such RFCs are considered primary standards in-force).

It is important to recognize that descriptions of popular measurement studies do not constitute a basis for an international standard, as they do not possess the necessary specificity to guarantee equivalent results from multiple independent implementations, or necessarily use performance parameters that exhibit important attributes such as repeatability.

We urge you to begin study of the relevant Recommendations, IETF RFCs, and other work-in-progress, and to suspend plans to seek approval for all related activities in SG 11. We invite you to join SG12 at our meeting in January 2016, where we will be able to share additional background on IP-based network performance parameters and methods of measurement. We are unable to send a representative to the SG 11 plenary, it is the end of year when travel is constrained for many, and we apologize for our absence.

Attachment: LS From SG 11 (SG11-LS91, for information to TSAG and IETF)