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CITEL has assembled a small **emergency telecommunications task group**, coordinated by CITEL's Secretariat, with the following mandate:

- 1- Compile and structure a data base ("inventory") with information about telecommunications donors and their respective offers;
- 2- Liaise with OAS-PADF and other involved agencies, so as to help identify the most pressing needs and logistical problems to be tackled for the telecom sector;
- 3- Identify regulatory and spectrum related issues to be properly addressed and coordinate the appropriate solutions;
- 4- Cooperate with foreign governments, international agencies, local authorities and operators to facilitate the immediate deployment of telecommunications capabilities where required.

The FCC's International Bureau has designated a telecommunications expert Mr. Dante Ibarra to be part of the above referred task group, operating within the CITEL Secretariat. We are in contact with the ITU and other agencies so as to get the equipment in the list. We are updating this list with specifications and will send it out soonest.

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