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INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS LAW

FINAL EXAM (2 Hours)

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DIRECTIONS: This exam is for two hours and is full OPEN book. Write the answers to the essay and short answer questions in the bluebooks provided. Remember to put your exam number on each bluebook and on each page of the exam.

Points will be graded as follows:

Essay I:	25 points
Essay II:	20 points
Essay III:	15 points
Short Answers:	40 points (each term is worth 4 points)

There are no questions permitted after the distribution of the exam. If you think something is missing or mistaken, plainly state a corrective assumption and proceed with your answer.

ESSAY I.

Will Shrub, your law school roommate, has been elected as the President of Fonostan, a country of 8 million people in Africa that is classified as a least-developed country and is a Member State of the ITU. Fonostan is still recovering from a massive earthquake that destroyed much of the communications infrastructure. Shrub has asked you to recommend a new reform plan for the Fonostan phone system, which is presently an entirely state-owned monopoly under the Ministry of Posts and Telegraph. Prepare a legal opinion for Shrub, discussing the key features, advantages and disadvantages of your proposed telecommunications system, including the structure and function of the regulatory body. Your opinion should also advise whether Fonostan should join the World Trade Organization (WTO) and, if so, whether it should file a schedule of commitments under the WTO Basic Telecommunication Agreement.

ESSAY II.

You are the legal counsel of Telecom Norway. The President calls you to her office. Your company is planning to merge its phone and telecommunications services with Telecom Finland. Telecom Finland is a semi-public company whose shares trade on the stock market, but the government still owns 53 percent of the company. Telecom Norway is completely owned by the government. Telecom Finland is a major supplier of Internet access in its home country and a leading operator in two of the Baltic countries. Finland is a member of the European Community, but Norway is not. Prepare a legal opinion addressing the key steps that will need to be taken to get the merger approved and implemented.

ESSAY III.

You are a lawyer with the ITU. The Secretary-General has received a letter from the Kingdom of Hawai seeking to become a Member State of the ITU and to obtain a Country Code for its phone system. Prepare a legal opinion for the Secretary-General, advising him as to how he should respond to the request.

SHORT ANSWERS

Describe and briefly explain (two or three sentences) the following terms:

1. Settlement Rate

2. Golden Share

3. Universal Access

4. International Telecommunication Regulations

5. Radio Regulations Board

6. Assignment of Radiofrequency Spectrum

7. Licensing of 3rd Generation phone systems

8. Non-Geostationary orbit

9. Tampere Convention

10. Country Codes