2. India — Testing and Certification of telegraph

The US expressed its concerns that the amendments introduced by the Indian government requiring local conformity assessment will lead to a duplication and overlap of testing and certification for a wide range of telecommunications and other equipment. The US said that other WTO members accept these products on the basis of a supplier's declaration of conformity or tests from relevant laboratories and schemes. India responded by saying that the aim of this additional requirement is to ensure the safety of the users and security of the network. It does not discriminate between foreign and local business, and recognizes testing results issued by partner countries.