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December 12, 1990

In the Matter of

VARTEC
NATIONAL, INC.

File No. **I-T-C-90-152**

Application for authority to operate
as an international resale carrier.

ORDER, AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATE

Adopted: December 5, 1990; Released: December 12, 1990

By the Chief, International Facilities Division:

1. The above-captioned application filed on July 13 1990 by Vartec National, Inc. (Vartec) requests authority pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to resell the services of other common carriers to provide switched voice and data (facsimile) service between the U.S. and international points under the provisions set forth in AT&T's Tariffs F.C.C. Nos. 1 and 2 and US Sprint's Tariffs F.C.C. Nos. 1 and 2. The application was placed on public notice on July 25, 1990. No comments were received.
2. Vartec is a Texas corporation which resells domestic services. It now proposes to resell the International Message Telephone Service (IMTS) services of other carriers to provide IMTS and facsimile services. Vartec believes that the market is growing and that increased competition will serve the public convenience and necessity. In authorizations of new entrants over the past decade, the Commission has recognized that increased competition in international markets is beneficial.¹ We find that the market will support additional carriers and that the added competition will be in the public interest.²
3. Upon consideration of the application and in view of the foregoing, IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the present and future public convenience and necessity re-

quire the provision of IMTS and facsimile service by Vartec between the United States and those international points named in AT&T's Tariffs F.C.C. Nos. 1 and 2 and US Sprint's Tariffs F.C.C. Nos. 1 and 2.

4. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that application File No. I-T-C-90-152 IS GRANTED, and Vartec is authorized to provide international switched voice and facsimile services by the resale of international switched voice services set forth in AT&T's Tariffs F.C.C. Nos. 1 and 2, and US Sprint's Tariffs F.C.C. Nos 1 and 2 between the U.S. and those international points named in the underlying tariffs.

5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Vartec shall obtain any necessary operating arrangements in each of the countries to which it provides service and shall file with the Commission any operating agreements with its correspondents within 30 days of their execution.

6. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant shall file a tariff pursuant to Section 203 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Section 203, and Part 61 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Part 61, for the services authorized in this order.

7. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant shall file the annual reports of overseas telecommunications traffic required by Section 43.61 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Section 43.61 (October 1, 1989).

8. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that nothing in this authorization shall be construed to include authorization for the transmission of money in connection with the service Vartec seeks authority to provide. The transmission of money is not considered to be a common carrier service. Therefore, nothing in this Order shall be construed as containing authority for the transmission of money.

9. This order is issued under Section 0.291 of the Commission's Rules and is **effective upon release**. Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106 or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the Commission's Rules may be filed within 30 days of the date of public notice of this order (see Section 1.4(b)(2)).

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Chief, International Facilities Division
Common Carrier Bureau

FOOTNOTES

- /1 See, e.g., Teltec Saving Communications Co., File No. I-T-C-86-062, Mimeo NO. 3548, n. 2 (released April 4, 1986).
- /2 FCC v. RCA Communications, Inc., 346 U.S. 86 (1953); Mackay Radio and Telegraph Co., 28 FCC 231 (1960).