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The Venice Resolution Initiated by the International Commission for Electromagnetic Safety following the 6th ICEMS Workshop, December 17, 2006

As stated in the [Benevento Resolution](#) of September 2006, we remain concerned about the potential health effects of exposure to electromagnetic fields on health. At the 6th ICEMS Workshop, entitled, "For the protection of living matter: towards a new rationale for risk assessment and management," we discussed the need for research on the effects of electromagnetic fields on hypersensitivity, blood brain barrier changes, learning and behavioral effects, changes in cognitive activities, DNA damage, biochemical mechanisms of interaction, biological damage and, the need for research to validate these effects. As an outcome, we are compelled to confirm the existence of adverse effects of electromagnetic fields on living matter, which seem to occur at every level of investigation, from molecular to epidemiological.

An urgent task before international researchers is to discover the detailed mechanisms of interaction between electromagnetic fields and living matter. A collateral consequence will be the development of new environmental and occupational protection standards. We, who are at the forefront of this research, are committed to the setting of exposure standards which protect the health of all, including those who are particularly vulnerable. We recognize the need for research to reveal the critical exposure parameters of effect and to develop new protection standards for electromagnetic fields.

The non-ionizing radiation protection standards recommended by international standards organizations are supported by the World Health Organization, are inadequate. Existing guidelines are based on epidemiological exposure studies and only thermal effects are considered. A world wide application of these standards is required. In addition, new standards should be developed to take various physiological and biological considerations into account, e.g., pregnancy, newborns, children, and elderly people.

We take exception to the claim of the wireless communication industry that there is no risk to conclude there a risk. Recent epidemiological evidence is stronger than before, which justifies precautions be taken to lower exposure standards in accordance with the Precautionary Principle.

We recognize the growing public health problem known as electrohypersensitivity; that condition can be quite disabling; and, that this condition requires further urgent investigation.

We strongly advise limited use of cell phones, and other similar devices, by young children. We call upon governments to apply the Precautionary Principle as an interim measure while standards are developed to protect against, not only the absorption of electromagnetic radiation, but also adverse effects of the signals on biochemistry, physiology and electrical biorhythms.

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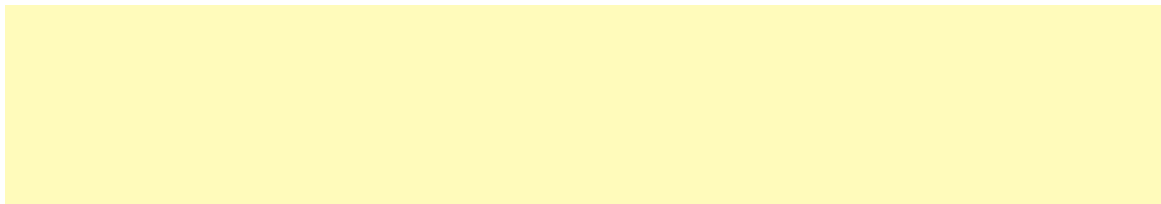
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