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COMMENTS ON DOCUMENT IPC/CE/34/3

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1. Annexes I to IV to this document contain comments on amendments to the IPC proposed by the IPC Revision Working Group (see document IPC/CE/34/3), submitted by France, Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

2. *The Committee of Experts is invited to take note of the comments submitted in Annexes I to IV to this document.*

[Annexes follow]

ANNEX I/ANNEXE I



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Observations sur le document IPC/CE/34/3 (électricité)

Voici les modifications que nous proposons pour la version française des annexes techniques soumises à discussion pour le prochain Comité d'experts. D'autres commentaires suivront pour les autres domaines techniques.

Les changements proposés sont indiqués en rouge.

ANNEXE	10	G 06 F	[Project-Rapporteur : 424/EP]	<CE34011F>
C	3/023	• • •	--- discrets, p.ex. dispositions pour interpréter des codes générés par le clavier comme codes alphanumériques, <i>comme</i> codes d'opérande ou <i>comme</i> codes d'instruction (codage en relation ---	
C	3/037	• • •	utilisant le balayage <i>de</i> trame d'un tube à rayons cathodiques (CRT) pour détecter la position de l'élément, p.ex. crayon lumineux coopérant avec un écran à tube cathodique	



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ANNEXE 12 G 06 Q [Project-Rapporteur : 424/EP] <CE34010F>

N Note(s) après
le titre

(1)

D'une manière générale, pour qu'un document soit classé dans la présente sous-classe, il faut qu'il y ait une opération de traitement significatif de données.
Pour les besoins de la présente sous-classe, un traitement significatif de données est défini comme un traitement de données qui nécessite un système ou un dispositif techniques pour pouvoir être effectué.
Néanmoins, la matière apparentée à la matière couverte par les groupes 10/00 à 50/00, lorsqu'elle n'implique pas explicitement un traitement significatif de données, doit être classée dans le groupe 99/00.
Dans ce cas, un classement additionnel peut être attribué dans le groupe le plus proche de la présente sous-classe ou de toute autre sous-classe couvrant une matière qui peut présenter un intérêt pour la recherche. Ce classement non obligatoire doit être considéré comme relevant de l' "information additionnelle".

N Note(s) après
20/00

Le présent groupe couvre:

- *les protocoles ou les schémas qui incluent des procédures dans lesquelles un paiement est effectué avec un commerçant, une banque, un utilisateur et parfois une tierce partie; la procédure comprend habituellement la vérification et l'authentification de toutes les parties impliquées.*

N 30/00

Commerce électronique, p.ex. facturation, enchères, marketing, ou achat ou vente en ligne

N 50/00

Systèmes ou méthodes spécialement adaptés à un secteur particulier d'activité économique, p.ex. santé, services d'utilité publique, tourisme ou services juridiques

[Annex II follows/
L'annexe II suit]

ANNEX II/ANNEXE II

Japan Patent Office

February 10 , 2004

Project: C422**Subclass:C40B**

JP Comments on UK proposal about C40B subclass title

· C40B subclass title

We understand that “in silico libraries” was added to e.g. of the subclass title at IPC/WG/8 in order to clarify that this subclass covers in silico libraries. Therefore, we think “in silico libraries” in e.g. of the subclass title should be kept as it is.

As UK mentioned, there shouldn't be inconsistency between the subclass title in the scheme(technical annex) and that in the corresponding definition project D005. Considering the above reason and the fact that the second bullet of the definition in D005 explicitly says this subclass covers in silico or virtual libraries, we should change the subclass title in D005 while we should keep the subclass title in the scheme as it is.

· Other proposal about C422

We support UK proposal related to C422 except the point we have already mentioned above. Especially, we also think “libraries” should be removed from the class title, because it may cause misunderstanding that this class also covers libraries which are not based on combinatorial technologies,e.g. cDNA libraries.

[Annex III follows/
L'annexe III suit]

ANNEX III/ANNEXE III

UK Patent Office**Date: 30 January 2004**

Comments on Project CE341**(Committee of Experts)**

Amendments to the IPC resulting from revision projects.

Comments were invited on the amendments presented in Annex 1 (and also in the technical Annexes of IPC/CE/34/3) showing IPC amendments that were approved at the 10th RWG meeting.

A61K, Notes (2), (3) before group 31/00

Consistent with our comments (to come) on project CE342 regarding the wording of Astandardised@ notes on multiple classification, we think that line 4 of these notes should read A... *the last appropriate place in groups ...@*, rather than A... *the last appropriate of groups ...@*, for consistency with adopted wordings in other subclasses.

B60J 11/00

Our notes appear to show that this changed group should have a AC@ in the margin.

C40 class title

We are not terribly keen on having the single word Alibraries@ as the second part of the class title. The implication that traditional libraries full of books could be included in that title is somewhat confusing. Since chemical libraries are an integral part of combinatorial chemistry and can easily be regarded as being fully included within the concept of combinatorial chemistry, we feel that the second part of the class title could be deleted.

We need of course to make sure that the class title could embrace a potential new subclass additional to C40B; we also think that there is virtually no possibility of a new class (C41?) being needed in the future, at least in respect of combinatorial technology, so the subsection title and the class title could easily be the same. The C40 class title could then simply be changed to **ACOMBINATORIAL TECHNOLOGY@**, and that is what we propose.

C40B subclass title

We note that the subclass title presented in the technical annexes is different from the one presented in the definition project D005, which does not mention in silico libraries. Our expert slightly prefers the title in the definition, without the in silico libraries.

C40B, Note (2)(a) after the subclass title

The last line of this sub-note should mention paragraph 101 of the Guide.

C40B, main groups

We don't recall how much specific discussion there was about this point. Should the main groups of this new subclass (1/00, 3/00 etc.) be numbered 10/00, 20/00 etc., to allow more scope for future expansion, as has been approved in another new subclass (G06Q)?

G06Q, Note (1) after the title

Again, our notes seem to show that wording was adopted at RWG/10 which is different from that which appears in the technical Annexes. [Perhaps this is because the UK delegation had to leave half-way through the report session for KLM reasons...]. Anyway, lines 5 and 6 of this note are worded as A... *needs a technological system or device in order to be carried out.*@. Our notes suggest that the adopted wording was A... *must be carried out by a technological system or a device*@. There is little or no difference in meaning between these two versions, of course, but the latter version is slightly better English. Perhaps A... *needs to be carried out by a technological system or a device.*@ might be better still.

Martin Price

[Annex IV follows/
L'annexe IV suit]

ANNEX IV/ANNEXE IV

United States Patent and Trademark Office	
WIPO Committee of Experts	
Project: CE341 Topic: Amendments to the IPC from revision projects	Date: January 28, 2004

Comments

(in response to Annex 1 of CE341-IPC/CE/34/3)

Annex 2 [Project C425]

In subgroup 36/48 recommend replacing “Leguminoceae” with “Leguminosae”

Annex 5 [Project C422]

1) Based on the final Guide wording, a wording change in Note (2)(a) is recommended.
Proposed wording: “library members.....according to paragraph 101 of the Guide;”

2) In the title of subgroup 7/08, change “wich” to “which”.

[End of Annex IV and of document/
Fin de l'annexe IV et du document]