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Fourth Session

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REVISED DRAFT AGENDA

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2. Adoption of the agenda
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3. Report on the third meeting of the Trilateral Working Group on Classification
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4. Consideration of the IPC revision policy and the revision procedure in relation to the core and advanced levels of the reformed IPC
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5. Introduction of electronic data illustrating the contents of IPC entries
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6. General principles of classification; elaboration of rules for multiple classification in the IPC
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7. Review of the hybrid systems in the IPC
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8. Study of the possibility of cooperation between offices in the reclassification of backlog patent files
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9. Determination of the most appropriate contents of the core level of the reformed IPC
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10. Feasibility of introducing a simplified set of rules in the IPC, in particular a uniform precedence rule
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11. Study of ways and means for the establishment of the French version of the advanced level of the IPC
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12. Internet-based IPC management system – IBIS (IPCISbis) project status
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13. Improvement of IPC training by providing modern training techniques
Presentation by the International Bureau.
14. Status of the IPC reform program for the year 2000
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The opening meeting will start on Monday, October 30, 2000, at 10 a.m., at the headquarters of WIPO, 34, chemin des Colombettes, Geneva (Conference Room B).

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