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GENERAL INFORMATION

Memorandum of the Secretariat

1. This document deals with the sessions of the following 21 Assemblies and other bodies of the Member States of WIPO and of the Unions administered by WIPO that will meet in ordinary session for the period from September 20 to 29, 1999:

- (1) WIPO General Assembly, twenty-fourth (14th ordinary) session
- (2) WIPO Conference, seventeenth (14th ordinary) session
- (3) WIPO Coordination Committee, forty-fourth (30th ordinary) session
- (4) Paris Union Assembly, twenty-ninth (14th ordinary) session
- (5) Paris Union Conference of Representatives, twenty-sixth (14th ordinary) session
- (6) Paris Union Executive Committee, thirty-sixth (35th ordinary) session
- (7) Berne Union Assembly, twenty-fifth (14th ordinary) session
- (8) Berne Union Conference of Representatives, nineteenth (14th ordinary) session
- (9) Berne Union Executive Committee, forty-second (30th ordinary) session
- (10) Madrid Union Assembly, thirty-first (13th ordinary) session
- (11) Hague Union Assembly, eighteenth (12th ordinary) session
- (12) Hague Union Conference of Representatives, eighteenth (12th ordinary) session
- (13) Nice Union Assembly, eighteenth (14th ordinary) session
- (14) Nice Union Conference of Representatives, seventeenth (14th ordinary) session
- (15) Lisbon Union Assembly, fifteenth (13th ordinary) session
- (16) Lisbon Union Council, twenty-second (20th ordinary) session
- (17) Locarno Union Assembly, eighteenth (13th ordinary) session

- (18) IPC [International Patent Classification] Union Assembly, seventeenth (12th ordinary) session
- (19) PCT [Patent Cooperation Treaty] Union Assembly, twenty-seventh (12th ordinary) session
- (20) Budapest Union Assembly, fifteenth (10th ordinary) session
- (21) Vienna Union Assembly, eleventh (8th ordinary) session

Members

2. The members of each of the 21 Assemblies and other bodies of the Member States are the following:

- (1) **WIPO General Assembly:**¹ Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Estonia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia*, Zambia, Zimbabwe (155).
- (2) **WIPO Conference:**¹ In addition to the States members of the WIPO General Assembly listed above: Andorra, Angola, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Dominica, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kuwait, Nepal, Oman, Papua New Guinea, Qatar, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Yemen (155 + 16 = 171).
- (3) **WIPO Coordination Committee:** Algeria, Angola (*ad hoc*), Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam (*ad hoc*), Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark, El Salvador, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of) (*associate*), Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Lesotho, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Nepal (*ad hoc*), Netherlands, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Senegal, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka,

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Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland (*ex officio*), The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen (*ad hoc*) (72).

- (4) Paris Union Assembly:² Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia*, Zambia, Zimbabwe (147).
- (5) Paris Union Conference of Representatives:² Dominican Republic, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Nigeria, Syrian Arab Republic (4).
- (6) Paris Union Executive Committee:
 - (i) Ordinary members: Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Cameroon, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Denmark, El Salvador, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lesotho, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Panama, Russian Federation, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Switzerland (*ex officio*), The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Venezuela (36);
 - (ii) Associate member: Iran (Islamic Republic of) (1).

² The members of the Paris Assembly and of the Paris Union Conference of Representatives, together, constitute “the Members of the Paris Union.”

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- (7) Berne Union Assembly:³ Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh (as from May 4, 1999), Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Estonia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakhstan (as from April 12, 1999), Kenya, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Namibia, Netherlands, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia*, Zambia, Zimbabwe (132).
- (8) Berne Union Conference of Representatives:³ Lebanon, Madagascar, New Zealand (3).
- (9) Berne Union Executive Committee:
- Ordinary members: Brazil, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, France, Ghana, Greece, India, Kenya, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, Nigeria, Pakistan, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Senegal, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland (*ex officio*), Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay (32).
- (10) Madrid Union Assembly: Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, China, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden,

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Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia^{*} (61).

- (11) Hague Union Assembly:⁴ Belgium, Benin, Bulgaria, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, Mongolia, Netherlands, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Senegal, Slovenia, Suriname, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Yugoslavia^{*} (23).
- (12) Hague Union Conference of Representatives:⁴ Egypt, Holy See, Indonesia, Morocco, Spain, Tunisia (6).
- (13) Nice Union Assembly:⁵ Algeria, Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, China, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Singapore (as from March 18, 1999), Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States of America, Yugoslavia^{*} (56).
- (14) Nice Union Conference of Representatives:⁵ Lebanon, Tunisia (2).
- (15) Lisbon Union Assembly:⁶ Algeria, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czech Republic, France, Gabon, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Portugal, Slovakia, Togo, Tunisia (16).
- (16) Lisbon Union Council:⁶ Haiti, Mexico (2).
- (17) Locarno Union Assembly: Austria, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, China, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Guinea, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Malawi, Netherlands, Norway, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Yugoslavia^{*} (35).

⁴ The members of the Hague Union Assembly and of the Hague Union Conference of Representatives, together, constitute "the Members of the Hague Union."

⁵ The members of the Nice Union Assembly and of the Nice Union Conference of Representatives, together, constitute "the Members of the Nice Union."

⁶ The members of the Lisbon Union Assembly and of the Lisbon Union Council, together, constitute "the Members of the Lisbon Union."

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- (18) IPC Union Assembly: Australia, Austria, Belarus (as from March 12, 1999), Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kyrgyzstan (as from September 10, 1999), Luxembourg, Malawi, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea (as from October 8, 1999), Republic of Moldova, Romania (as from March 31, 1999), Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States of America (43).
- (19) PCT Union Assembly: Albania, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa (as from March 16, 1999), Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates (as from March 10, 1999), United Kingdom, United States of America, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia*, Zimbabwe (100).
- (20) Budapest Union Assembly: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Yugoslavia* (45).
- (21) Vienna Union Assembly: Cuba, France, Guinea, Kyrgyzstan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Sweden, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey (13).

Observers

3. The following *States* may be represented by observers:

- (1) in the WIPO GENERAL ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the WIPO Conference;

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- (2) in the WIPO CONFERENCE*, any State which, without being a member of that Conference, is a member of the United Nations or of any of the United Nations specialized agencies (other than WIPO);
- (3) in the WIPO COORDINATION COMMITTEE*, any State which, without being a member of that Committee, is a member of the WIPO Conference;
- (4) in the PARIS UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which is
 - (i) a member of the Paris Union Conference of Representatives,
 - (ii) a member of WIPO without falling into the preceding category and not being a member of the Paris Union Assembly;
- (5) in the PARIS UNION CONFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIVES*, any State which is
 - (i) a member of the Paris Union Assembly,
 - (ii) a member of WIPO without falling into the preceding category and not being a member of the Paris Union Conference of Representatives;
- (6) in the PARIS UNION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE*, any State which, without being a member of that Committee, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (7) in the BERNE UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which is
 - (i) a member of the Berne Union Conference of Representatives,
 - (ii) a member of WIPO without falling into the preceding category and not being a member of the Berne Union Assembly;
- (8) in the BERNE UNION CONFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIVES*, any State which is
 - (i) a member of the Berne Union Assembly,
 - (ii) a member of WIPO without falling into the preceding category and not being a member of the Berne Union Conference of Representatives;
- (9) in the BERNE UNION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE*, any State which, without being a member of that Committee, is a member of the Berne Union;

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- (10) in the MADRID UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (11) in the HAGUE UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (12) in the HAGUE UNION CONFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIVES*, any State which, without being a member of that Conference, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (13) in the NICE UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (14) in the NICE UNION CONFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIVES*, any State which, without being a member of that Conference, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (15) in the LISBON UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (16) in the LISBON UNION COUNCIL*, any State which, without being a member of that Council, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (17) in the LOCARNO UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (18) in the IPC UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (19) in the PCT UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (20) in the BUDAPEST UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union;
- (21) in the VIENNA UNION ASSEMBLY*, any State which, without being a member of that Assembly, is a member of the Paris Union.

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4. The following *organizations* have been invited to be represented by observers:
- (1) in all THE 21 ASSEMBLIES OR BODIES REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 1, ABOVE:
- (i) United Nations (UN), International Labour Organization (ILO), United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), World Health Organization (WHO), World Trade Organization (WTO) (5);
- (ii) African Intellectual Property Organization (AIPO), African Regional Industrial Property Organization (ARIPO), Arab States Broadcasting Union (ASBU), Benelux Designs Office (BBDM), Benelux Trademark Office (BBM), Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO), European Patent Organisation (EPO), Interstate Council on the Protection of Industrial Property (ICPIP).⁷ (8).
- (2) in the WIPO CONFERENCE, in addition to the organizations listed above:
- (i) Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), International Finance Corporation (IFC), International Development Association (IDA), International Monetary Fund (IMF), International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Universal Postal Union (UPU), International Telecommunication Union (ITU), World Meteorological Organization (WMO), International Maritime Organization (IMO), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) (13);
- (ii) African Regional Centre for Technology (ARCT), Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation (AGECOP), Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO), Arab Industrial Development Organization (AIDO), Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN), Caribbean Community (CARICOM), Commission of the European Communities (CEC), Commonwealth Fund for Technical Cooperation (CFTC), Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), Commonwealth of Learning (COL), Conference of Latin American Authorities on Informatics (CALAI), Council of Europe (CE), Economic Community of the Great Lakes Countries (CEPGL), European Free Trade Association (EFTA), Federation of Arab Scientific Research Councils (FASRC), General Secretariat of the Andean Community, International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT), International Olive Oil Council (IOOC), International Vine and Wine Office (IWO), Islamic Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ISESCO), Latin American Economic System (SELA), Latin American Integration Association (LAIA), League of

⁷ Since the 21 Bodies referred to will be sitting most of the time in joint meetings, the invitation to the said intergovernmental organizations to be represented in the sessions of all the said Bodies is without prejudice to which organization would, under other circumstances, be invited to a given session of any one of the said Bodies.

Arab States (LAS), Organization of African Unity (OAU), Organization of American States (OAS), Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC), Permanent Secretariat of the General Treaty for Central American Economic Integration (SIECA), Southern African Development Community (SADC), *Union douanière et économique de l'Afrique centrale (UDEAC)* (29);

- (iii) all international non-governmental organizations having an observer status with WIPO and the Unions administered by WIPO; their list appears in the Annex.⁸

Documents

5. The preparatory documents for the sessions of the 21 bodies are divided into 22 sets: 21 of those correspond to the 21 bodies, the 22nd contains the documents of interest to more than one of the 21 bodies. This last set bears the symbol “A/34.” The symbols used for the other 21 sets indicate the name of the body, and Arabic numerals indicate the number of the session. They are the following:

“WO/GA/24”	for <u>WIPO General Assembly</u>
“WO/CF/17”	for <u>WIPO Conference</u>
“WO/CC/44”	for <u>WIPO Coordination Committee</u>
“P/A/29”	for <u>Paris Union Assembly</u>
“P/CR/26”	for <u>Paris Union Conference of Representatives</u>
“P/EC/36”	for <u>Paris Union Executive Committee</u>
“B/A/25”	for <u>Berne Union Assembly</u>
“B/CR/19”	for <u>Berne Union Conference of Representatives</u>
“B/EC/42”	for <u>Berne Union Executive Committee</u>
“MM/A/31”	for <u>Madrid (Marks) Union Assembly</u>
“H/A/18”	for <u>Hague Union Assembly</u>
“H/CR/18”	for <u>Hague Union Conference of Representatives</u>
“N/A/18”	for <u>Nice Union Assembly</u>
“N/CR/17”	for <u>Nice Union Conference of Representatives</u>
“LI/A/15”	for <u>Lisbon Union Assembly</u>
“LI/C/22”	for <u>Lisbon Union Council</u>
“LO/A/18”	for <u>Locarno Union Assembly</u>
“IPC/A/17”	for <u>International Patent Classification Union Assembly</u>
“PCT/A/27”	for <u>Patent Cooperation Treaty (Union) Assembly</u>
“BP/A/15”	for <u>Budapest Union Assembly</u>
“VA/A/11”	for <u>Vienna Union Assembly</u>

⁸ Since the 21 Bodies referred to will be sitting most of the time in joint meetings, the invitation to the said international non-governmental organizations to be represented in the sessions of the WIPO Conference is without prejudice to which organizations would, under other circumstances, be invited to a given session of any one of the other Bodies.

Rules of Procedure

6. The rules governing the procedure of the Assemblies and other bodies of the Member States of WIPO and the Unions administered by WIPO consist of provisions in the treaties establishing WIPO and the Unions, the "WIPO General Rules of Procedure" (publication 399 Rev.3) and, for each body, a distinct set of rules, called "Special Rules of Procedure" (document AB/XXIV/INF/2). The said treaties, publication and document are available upon request.

[Annex follows]

ANNEX/ANNEXE

**INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
ADMITTED AS OBSERVERS TO THE MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLIES**

**ORGANISATIONS INTERNATIONALES NON GOUVERNEMENTALES
ADMISES EN QUALITÉ D'OBSERVATEURS
AUX RÉUNIONS DES ASSEMBLÉES**

A. <u>Organizations essentially concerned with industrial property</u>	A. <u>Organisations s'occupant essentiellement de propriété industrielle</u>
1. Arab Society for the Protection of Industrial Property (ASPIP)	-----
2. Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA)	Association asiatique d'experts juridiques en brevets (APAA)
3. Association for the Protection of Industrial Property in the Arab World (APPIMAF)	Association pour la protection de la propriété industrielle dans le monde arabe (APPIMAF)
4. Association of European Trademark Proprietors (Marques)	Association des propriétaires européens de marques de commerce (Marques)
5. Benelux Association of Trademark and Design Agents (BMM)	Association Benelux des conseils en marques et modèles (BMM)
6. Biotechnology Industry Organization (BIO)	-----
7. Centre for International Industrial Property Studies (CEIPI)	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI)
8. Committee of National Institutes of Patent Agents (CNIPA)	-----
9. Committee of Nordic Industrial Property Agents (CONOPA)	-----
10. Council of European Industrial Federations (CEIF)	Conseil des fédérations industrielles d'Europe (CIFE)
11. European Brands Association (AIM)	Association des industries de marque (AIM)
12. European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC)	Conseil européen de l'industrie chimique (CEFIC)

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| 13. European Communities Trade Mark Association (ECTA) | Association communautaire du droit des marques (ECTA) |
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| 14. European Crop Protection Association (ECPA) | |
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| 15. European Federation of Agents of Industry in Industrial Property (FEMIPI) | Fédération européenne des mandataires de l'industrie en propriété industrielle (FEMIPI) |
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| 16. European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries' Associations (EFPIA) | Fédération européenne des associations de l'industrie pharmaceutique (EFPIA) |
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| 17. European Industrial Research Management Association (EIRMA) | Association européenne pour l'administration de la recherche industrielle (EIRMA) |
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| 18. Global Crop Protection Federation (GCPF) | |
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| 19. Institute of Professional Representatives Before the European Patent Office (EPI) | Institut des mandataires agréés près l'Office européen des brevets (EPI) |
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| 20. Inter-American Association of Industrial Property (ASIPI) | Association interaméricaine de la propriété industrielle (ASIPI) |
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| 21. International Federation of Industrial Property Attorneys (FICPI) | Fédération internationale des conseils en propriété industrielle (FICPI) |
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| 22. International Federation of Inventors' Associations (IFIA) | Fédération internationale des associations des inventeurs (IFIA) |
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| 23. International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Associations (IFPMA) | Fédération internationale de l'industrie du médicament (FIIM) |
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| 24. International Trademark Association (INTA) | |
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| 25. International Wine Law Association (AIDV) | Association internationale des juristes du droit de la vigne et du vin (AIDV) |
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| 26. Latin American Association of Pharmaceutical Industries (ALIFAR) | Association latino-américaine des industries pharmaceutiques (ALIFAR) |
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| 27. Licensing Executives Society (International) (LES) | |
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| 28. Pacific Industrial Property Association (PIPA) | |
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| 29. Patent Documentation Group (PDG) | Groupe de documentation sur les brevets (PDG) |

30.	Union of European Practitioners in Industrial Property (UEPIP)	Union des praticiens européens en propriété industrielle (UPEPI)
31.	World Federation for Culture Collections (WFCC)	-----
32.	World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO)	Fédération mondiale des organisations d'ingénieurs (FMOI)
B.	<u>Organizations essentially concerned with copyright and neighboring rights</u>	<u>Organisations s'occupant essentiellement de droit d'auteur et de droits voisins</u>
1.	Afro-Asian Book Council (AABC)	-----
2.	American Film Marketing Association (AFMA)	Association américaine de marketing cinématographique (AFMA)
3.	ARTES EEIG (ARTIS)	ARTES GEIE (ARTIS)
4.	Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU)	Union de radiodiffusion Asie-Pacifique (URAP)
5.	Association for the International Collective Management of Audiovisual Works (AGICOA)	Association de gestion internationale collective des œuvres audiovisuelles (AGICOA)
6.	Association of Commercial Television in Europe (ACT)	Association des télévisions commerciales européennes (ACT)
7.	Association of European Performers' Organizations (AEPO)	Association des organisations européennes d'artistes interprètes (AEPO)
8.	Association of European Radios (AER)	Association européenne des radios (AER)
9.	Caribbean Broadcasting Union (CBU)	Union des radiodiffusions des Caraïbes (CBU)
10.	Conseil francophone de la chanson (CFC)	Conseil francophone de la chanson (CFC)
11.	Coordination of European Independent Producers (CEPI)	Coordination européenne des producteurs indépendants (CEPI)
12.	Coordination of European Picture Agencies-News and Stock (CEPIC)	-----
13.	European Alliance of Press Agencies (EAPA)	Alliance européenne des agences de presse (EAPA)
14.	European Broadcasting Union (EBU)	Union européenne de radio-télévision (UER)

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| 15. European Bureau of Library, Information and Documentation Associations (EBLIDA) | ----- |
| 16. European Cable Communications Association (ECCA) | ----- |
| 17. European Project - Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB) | ----- |
| 18. European Sound Directors' Association (ESDA) | Association européenne des directeurs du son (ESDA) |
| 19. European Tape Industry Council (ETIC) | Conseil européen de l'industrie de la bande magnétique (ETIC) |
| 20. Federation of European Audiovisual Directors (FERA) | Fédération européenne des réalisateurs de l'audiovisuel (FERA) |
| 21. Ibero-American Television Organization (OTI) | Organisation de la télévision ibéroaméricaine (OTI) |
| 22. Ibero-Latin-American Federation of Performers (FILAIE) | Fédération ibéro-latino-américaine des artistes interprètes ou exécutants (FILAIE) |
| 23. Independent Film Producers International Association (IFPIA) | Fédération internationale des producteurs de films indépendants (FIPFI) |
| 24. Interamerican Copyright Institute (IIDA) | Institut interaméricain de droit d'auteur (IIDA) |
| 25. International Affiliation of Writers' Guilds (IAWG) | ----- |
| 26. International Alliance of Orchestra Associations (IAOA) | ----- |
| 27. International Association for Mass Communication Research (IAMCR) | Association internationale des études et recherches sur l'information (IAMCR) |
| 28. International Association of Art (IAA) | Association internationale des arts plastiques (AIAP) |
| 29. International Association of Audio-Visual Writers and Directors (AIDAA) | Association internationale des auteurs de l'audiovisuel (AIDAA) |
| 30. International Association of Authors of Comics and Cartoons (AIAC) | Association internationale des auteurs de comics et de cartoons (AIAC) |
| 31. International Association of Broadcasting (IAB) | Association internationale de radiodiffusion (AIR) |

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| 32. International Association of Conference Interpreters (AIIC) | Association internationale des interprètes de conférence (AIIC) |
| 33. International Association of Entertainment Lawyers (IAEL) | Association internationale des avocats du monde et des industries du spectacle (IAEL) |
| 34. International Bureau of Societies Administering the Rights of Mechanical Recording and Reproduction (BIEM) | Bureau international des sociétés gérant les droits d'enregistrement et de reproduction mécanique (BIEM) |
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| 35. International Center for Humanitarian Reporting (ICHR) | |
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| 36. International Communications Round Table (ICRT) | |
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| 37. International Confederation of Music Publishers (ICMP) | Confédération internationale des éditeurs de musique (CIEM) |
| 38. International Confederation of Societies of Authors and Composers (CISAC) | Confédération internationale des sociétés d'auteurs et compositeurs (CISAC) |
| 39. International Copyright Society (INTERGU) | Société internationale pour le droit d'auteur (INTERGU) |
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| 40. International Council on Archives (ICA) | Conseil international des archives (CIA) |
| 41. International Dance Council (IDC) | Conseil international de la danse (CID) |
| 42. International Federation of Actors (FIA) | Fédération internationale des acteurs (FIA) |
| 43. International Federation of Associations of Film Distributors (FIAD) | Fédération internationale des associations de distributeurs de films (FIAD) |
| 44. International Federation of Film Producers Associations (FIAPF) | Fédération internationale des associations de producteurs de films (FIAPF) |
| 45. International Federation of Journalists (IFJ) | Fédération internationale des journalistes (IFJ) |
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| 46. International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) | Fédération internationale des associations de bibliothécaires et des bibliothèques (FIAB) |
| 47. International Federation of Musicians (FIM) | Fédération internationale des musiciens (FIM) |
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| 48. International Federation of the Periodical Press (FIPP) | Fédération internationale de la presse périodique (FIPP) |

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| 49. International Federation of Press Clipping and Media Monitor Bureaus (FIBEP) | Fédération internationale des bureaux d'extraits de presse (FIBEP) |
| 50. International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI) | Fédération internationale de l'industrie phonographique (IFPI) |
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| 51. International Federation of Reproduction Rights Organizations (IFRRO) | |
| 52. International Federation of Translators (FIT) | Fédération internationale des traducteurs (FIT) |
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| 53. International Group of Scientific, Technical and Medical Publishers (STM) | Groupement international des éditeurs scientifiques, techniques et médicaux (STM) |
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| 54. International Hotel Association (IHA) | Association internationale de l'hôtellerie (AIH) |
| 55. International Institute of Communications (IIC) | Institut international des communications (IIC) |
| 56. International Literary and Artistic Association (ALAI) | Association littéraire et artistique internationale (ALAI) |
| 57. International Organization of Hotel and Restaurant Associations (HoReCa) | Fédération internationale des organisations d'hôteliers, restaurateurs et cafetiers (HoReCa) |
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| 58. International Organization of Journalists (IOJ) | Organisation internationale des journalistes (IOJ) |
| 59. International P.E.N. | Le P.E.N. international |
| 60. International Publishers Association (IPA) | Union internationale des éditeurs (UIE) |
| 61. International Union of Architects (UIA) | Union internationale des architectes (UIA) |
| 62. International Union of Cinemas (UNIC) | Union Internationale des cinémas (UNIC) |
| 63. International Video Federation (IVF) | Fédération internationale de la vidéo (IVF) |
| 64. International Writers Guild (IWG) | Syndicat international des auteurs (IWG) |
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| 65. Latin American Federation of Music Publishers (FLADEM) | |
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| 66. Organización Iberoamericana de Derechos de Autor-Latinautor, Inc. | |
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| 67. Media and Entertainment International (MEI) | Internationale des médias et du spectacle (MEI) |

68.	North American National Broadcasters Association (NANBA)	-----
69.	Pearle* Performing Arts Employers Associations League Europe	-----
70.	Union of African Journalists (UAJ)	Union des journalistes africains (UJA)
71.	Union of National Radio and Television Organizations of Africa (URTNA)	Union des radiodiffusions et télévisions nationales d'Afrique (URTNA)
72.	World Association of Newspapers (WAN)	Association mondiale des journaux (AMJ)
73.	World Association of Research Media (WARM)	Association mondiale des média de recherche (WARM)
74.	World Blind Union (WBU)	Union mondiale des aveugles (WBU)
75.	World Federation of Music Schools (WFMS)	Fédération mondiale des écoles de musique (FMEM)
C.	<u>Organizations concerned with more than one field of intellectual property</u>	<u>Organisations s'occupant de plusieurs domaines de la propriété intellectuelle</u>
1.	ASEAN Intellectual Property Association (ASEAN IPA)	Association de l'ANASE pour la propriété intellectuelle (ASEAN IPA)
2.	Commercial Internet eXchange Association (CIX)	-----
3.	European Association of Advertising Agencies (EAAA)	Association européenne d'agences de publicité (EAAA)
4.	European Association of Manufacturers of Business Machines and Information Technology Industry (EUROBIT)	Association européenne de l'industrie de la bureautique et de l'informatique (EUROBIT)
5.	European Committee for Interoperable Systems (ECIS)	-----
6.	European Computer Manufacturers Association (ECMA)	Association européenne de constructeurs de calculateurs électroniques (ECMA)
7.	European Council of American Chambers of Commerce (ECACC)	Conseil européen des chambres de commerce américaines (ECACC)
8.	International Advertising Association (IAA)	-----
9.	International Anticounterfeiting Coalition, Inc. (IACC)	-----

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| 10. International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP) | Association internationale pour la promotion de l'enseignement et de la recherche en propriété intellectuelle (ATRIP) |
| 11. International Association for the Protection of Industrial Property (AIPPI) | Association internationale pour la protection de la propriété industrielle (AIPPI) |
| 12. International Bar Association (IBA) | Association internationale du Barreau (IBA) |
| 13. International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) | Chambre de commerce internationale (CCI) |
| 14. International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU) | Confédération internationale des syndicats libres (CISL) |
| 15. International Confederation of Professional and Intellectual Workers (CITI) | Confédération internationale des travailleurs intellectuels (CITI) |
| 16. International Council of Graphic Design Associations (ICOGRADA) | Conseil international des associations de design graphique (ICOGRADA) |
| 17. International Council of Scientific Unions (ICSU) | Conseil international des unions scientifiques (CIUS) |
| 18. International Council of Societies of Industrial Design (ICSID) | Conseil international des sociétés de design industriel (ICSID) |
| 19. International Federation for Information and Documentation (FID) | Fédération internationale d'information et de documentation (FID) |
| 20. International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (IFCAI) | Fédération internationale des institutions d'arbitrage commercial (IFCAI) |
| 21. International Federation of Computer Law Associations (IFCLA) | ----- |
| 22. International Federation of Interior Architects/Interior Designers (IFI) | Fédération internationale des architectes d'intérieur (IFI) |
| 23. International Franchise Association (IFA) | ----- |
| 24. International Law Association (ILA) | Association du droit international (ILA) |
| 25. International League of Competition Law (LIDC) | Ligue internationale du droit de la concurrence (LIDC) |
| 26. International Organization for Standardization (ISO) | Organisation internationale de normalisation (ISO) |

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| 27. Latin American Institute for Advanced Technology, Computer Science and Law (ILATID) | Institut latino-américain de haute technologie, d'informatique et de droit (ILATID) |
| 28. Law Association for Asia and the Pacific (LAWASIA) | Association juridique de l'Asie et du Pacifique (LAWASIA) |
| 29. Max-Planck Institute for Foreign and International Patent, Copyright and Competition Law | Institut Max Planck de droit étranger et international en matière de brevets, de droit d'auteur et de concurrence |
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| 30. The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) | |
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| 31. Union of Industrial and Employers' Confederations of Europe (UNICE) | Union des confédérations de l'industrie et des employeurs d'Europe (UNICE) |
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| 32. World Association for Small and Medium Enterprises (WASME) | |
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| 33. World Federation of Advertisers (WFA) | Fédération mondiale des annonceurs (FMA) |
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| 34. World Union of Professions (WUP) | Union mondiale des professions libérales (UMPL) |

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