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**DRAFT AGENDAS OF THE 1997 ORDINARY SESSIONS OF THE WIPO GENERAL
ASSEMBLY, THE WIPO CONFERENCE, THE PARIS UNION ASSEMBLY AND THE
BERNE UNION ASSEMBLY**

Memorandum by the Director General

1. The WIPO Convention provides that "The Coordination Committee shall ... prepare the draft agenda of the General Assembly [and] ... of the Conference ..." (Article 8(3)). The Paris (Stockholm) Convention provides that "The Executive Committee shall ... prepare the draft agenda of the Assembly ..." (Article 14(6)(a)). The Berne (Stockholm and Paris) Convention provides that "The Executive Committee shall ... prepare the draft agenda of the Assembly ..." (Article 23(6)(a)).
2. The WIPO General Assembly, the WIPO Conference and the Assemblies of the Paris and Berne Unions will hold their next ordinary sessions from September 22 to October 1, 1997. Annexes I, II, III and IV of this document contain suggestions as to the items which the draft agendas of the said sessions should at least include. The inclusion of those items is suggested on the basis of the applicable provisions of the WIPO Convention, the Paris (Stockholm) Convention and the Berne (Stockholm and Paris) Convention or previous decisions of certain Governing Bodies. It is to be noted that, should the circumstances so require, the Director General will include additional items in the draft agendas.

3. It is to be noted that, according to previous decisions and in addition to the program and budget for 1998 and 1999, a plan for the medium term of four years—that is, from 2000 to 2003—would have to be presented by the Director General to the Governing Bodies at their sessions in September 1997. However, in view of the fact that at those sessions the appointment of the new Director General will also take place, it would seem to be more appropriate that the new Director General present the plan for the medium term of 2000 to 2003. That could be done at the sessions of the Governing Bodies to be held in 1998. This is the reason why there is no reference to a plan for the medium term in the annexes to this document.

4. The items to be included in the draft agendas of all the Governing Bodies that will meet in ordinary session in 1997 will, as is customary, be included in, and presented as a single, consolidated and annotated draft agenda.

5. The WIPO Coordination Committee is invited to adopt Annexes I and II; the Paris Union Executive Committee is invited to adopt Annex III; the Berne Union Executive Committee is invited to adopt Annex IV.

[Annexes follow]

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ANNEX I

Items to be included in the draft agenda
of the 1997 ordinary session of the

WIPO General Assembly

Election of the Officers of the General Assembly

Activities since July 1, 1995; Accounts for the 1994-95 Biennium; Interim Financial Statement for 1996; Arrears in Contributions

Appointment of the New Director General

Premises

Program and Budget for 1998 and 1999

Designation of Auditor

United Nations Resolutions

Admission of Observers

Election of the Members of the WIPO Budget Committee and the WIPO Premises Committee

[Annex II follows]

ANNEX II

Items to be included in the draft agenda
of the 1997 ordinary session of the

WIPO Conference

Election of the Officers of the Conference

Activities since July 1, 1995; Accounts for the 1994-95 Biennium; Interim Financial Statement for 1996; Arrears in Contributions

Examination of the Reports of the Permanent Committees on Development Cooperation Related to Industrial Property (PC/IP) and Related to Copyright and Neighboring Rights (PC/CR)

Program and Budget for 1998 and 1999

Designation of the Members for 1999 of the Working Groups of the PC/IP and PC/CR

Election of the *Ad Hoc* Members of the WIPO Coordination Committee

[Annex III follows]

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ANNEX III

Items to be included in the draft agenda
of the 1997 ordinary session of the

Assembly of the Paris Union

Election of the Officers of the Assembly

Activities since July 1, 1995; Accounts for the 1994-95 Biennium; Interim Financial Statement for 1996; Arrears in Contributions

Appointment of the New Director General

Program and Budget for 1998 and 1999

Designation of Auditor

Admission of Observers

Election of the Members of the Executive Committee of the Assembly

[Annex IV follows]

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ANNEX IV

Items to be included in the draft agenda
of the 1997 ordinary session of the

Assembly of the Berne Union

Election of the Officers of the Assembly

Activities since July 1, 1995; Accounts for the 1994-95 Biennium; Interim Financial Statement for 1996; Arrears in Contributions

Appointment of the New Director General

Program and Budget for 1998 and 1999

Designation of Auditor

Admission of Observers

Election of the Members of the Executive Committee of the Assembly

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