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**WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION**  
GENEVA

**SPECIAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF  
APPELLATIONS OF ORIGIN AND THEIR INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION  
(LISBON UNION)**

**ASSEMBLY**

**Seventeenth (14<sup>th</sup> Ordinary) Session  
Geneva, September 24 to October 3, 2001**

REPORT

*adopted by the Assembly*

1. The Assembly was concerned with the following items of the Consolidated Agenda (document A/36/1): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 13, 24, 27 and 28.
2. The report on the said items, with the exception of item 13, is contained in the General Report (document A/36/15).
3. The report on item 13 is contained in the present document.
4. Mr. Amor Bouhnik (Algeria) was elected Chair of the Assembly; Mr. Daniel Hangard (France) and Mr. Mihály Zoltán Ficsor (Hungary) were elected Vice-Chairs.

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ITEM 13 OF THE CONSOLIDATED AGENDA:

MATTERS CONCERNING THE LISBON UNION

5. Discussions were based on documents LI/A/17/1 and LI/A/17/1 Add.
6. The Delegations of Israel, Mexico and Cuba declared themselves in favor of the proposed amendments to the Regulations under the Lisbon Agreement. In addition, the Delegations of Mexico, Cuba and (in an observer capacity) Spain were pleased with the introduction of Spanish as a new working language in the framework of the Lisbon Agreement. The Delegation of Spain mentioned in addition that it would facilitate consideration of the possibility of Spain's accession to the Lisbon Agreement.
  7. The Assembly unanimously adopted, with a view to their coming into effect on April 1, 2002, the Regulations appearing in the Annex to document LI/A/17/1, together with the amendments appearing in the Annex to document LI/A/17/1 Add. and a correction to the English version of paragraph (3) of Rule 3 in the latter Annex.
8. The text approved by the Assembly appears in the Annex to this document.

[Annex follows]