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Program and Budget Committee

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SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE PROGRAM AND BUDGET COMMITTEE AT ITS SIXTEENTH SESSION (JANUARY 12 AND 13, 2011)

adopted by the Program and Budget Committee

- The present document records the decisions taken and the recommendations made by the Program and Budget Committee (PBC) at its sixteenth session (12 and 13 January, 2011) following consideration of the agenda items and the corresponding documents listed in document WO/PBC/16/1.
- 2. The full report of the sixteenth session of the PBC, for approval in accordance with the established practice, will be produced in due course.
- 3. Decisions taken and recommendations made by the sixteenth session of the PBC are listed below.

AGENDA ITEM 3

SELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE WIPO INDEPENDENT ADVISORY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (IAOC)

document WO/PBC/16/2

The Program and Budget Committee approved the recommendation of the Selection Panel for the Appointment of the WIPO Independent Advisory Oversight Committee, as recorded in paragraphs 13 and 14 of the Selection Panel's Report (document WO/PBC/16/2).

AGENDA ITEM 4

REVIEW OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE WIPO IAOC

document WO/PBC/16/3 Rev.

The Program and Budget Committee recommended to the General Assembly the approval of the revisions of the Terms of Reference of the WIPO Independent Advisory Oversight Committee as contained in the Annex of document WO/PBC/16/3 Rev.

AGENDA ITEM 5

IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

documents WO/GA/38/2 and WO/PBC/16/4

The Program and Budget Committee:

- (i) took note of the contents of document WO/PBC/16/4;
- (ii) urged WIPO management to emphasize and disseminate the principle of operational independence of the Internal Audit and Oversight Division as recommended in paragraph 81(d) of document WO/GA/38/2;
- (iii) took note that recommendations listed in paragraphs 72, 80 and 81(b), (c), (d), (f) and (g) (in accordance with paragraph 13 of Annex III to the Financial Regulations and Rules) contained in document WO/GA/38/2 have been addressed;
- (iv) requested the new WIPO Independent Advisory Oversight Committee to review the items under paragraph 81(a) and (e) of document WO/GA/38/2, with the purpose of submitting its considered views and recommendations thereon for the Program and Budget Committee session, no later than in September 2011;
- (v) requested the Secretariat, following up on the Roadmap set out in document WO/GA/39/13 and the recommendation contained in paragraph 74 of document WO/GA/38/2, to prepare a document, with Member States' input, by April 2011, for consideration by the Program and Budget Committee at its session in June 2011. This document is to include:
 - (a) update, based on Appendix I of document WO/GA/38/2, on the governance structures of the United Nations and other intergovernmental organizations;

- (b) input from Member States, addressing their views on WIPO's governance; and
- (c) a review of prior documentation on governance at WIPO.
- (vi) further decided that, following up on document WO/GA/39/13, the Program and Budget Committee will continue discussion of the recommendations of the Audit Committee (Independent Advisory Oversight Committee) at its session in June 2011. The Program and Budget Committee was unable to reach consensus on paragraph 13 of document WO/GA/39/13 and will continue discussion during its June 2011 session.

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