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## COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (CDIP)

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### PROPOSAL FROM GROUP B

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1. At the third session of the Committee on Development and Intellectual Property (CDIP), held from April 27 to May 1, 2009, under Agenda Item 8, it was decided that Member States should submit proposals concerning coordination mechanisms and modalities for monitoring, assessing and reporting on the implementation of recommendations, to the Secretariat, for their consideration at the fourth session of the CDIP.
2. By a communication dated July 28, 2009, the Secretariat has received a proposal from Group B.
3. The said proposal is annexed to this document.
4. *The CDIP is invited to take note of the contents of this document and its Annex.*

ANNEX

**WIPO: COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (CDIP)**

**Submission by Group B**

Paragraph 9 of the Summary by the Chair of the Third Session of the CDIP, held from April 27 to May 1, 2009, reads as follows:

*“9. Under Agenda Item 8, the Committee discussed coordination mechanisms and modalities for monitoring, assessing and reporting on the implementation of recommendations. The Committee decided that interested Member States may submit their proposals to the Secretariat by June 30, 2009. These submissions, in addition to the ideas offered in the discussions during the present session, will be compiled and presented to the fourth session of the CDIP for further discussion and possible decision on this subject.”*

Pursuant to this conclusion, Group B would like to make the following submission:

The General Assembly mandated the CDIP to “monitor, assess, discuss and report on the implementation of all recommendations adopted, and [...] [for that] purpose [...] [to] coordinate with relevant WIPO bodies”. Group B believes the modalities for monitoring, assessing and reporting on the implementation of the recommendations have been adequately addressed by the CDIP through its adoption of a thematic approach methodology, which complements existing WIPO mechanisms and procedures. We believe that the discussion of the Committee should focus on the “way the CDIP shall coordinate with other relevant WIPO bodies for enabling its monitoring, assessment, discussion and report[ing] on the implementation of all recommendations adopted”.

As a preliminary step, we believe it is necessary to consider the following principles in relation to establishing this coordination:

- The aim of the development agenda is to ensure that development considerations form an integral part of WIPO's work and the coordination mechanism should promote this aim.

- All WIPO Committees stand on an equal footing and report to the General Assembly. To avoid duplication of WIPO's governance arrangements the coordination mechanism should be consistent with and, where practical, use existing governance structures and procedures.
- The coordination of the CDIP with other relevant WIPO bodies should be flexible, efficient, effective, transparent and pragmatic. It should facilitate the work of the CDIP and the respective WIPO bodies.
- The coordination of the CDIP with other relevant WIPO bodies should be underpinned by appropriate Development Agenda success criteria, to support effective monitoring, reporting and review. The coordination should be resource-neutral and not create new financial obligations for Member States.

On the basis of these principles, and in accordance with the CDIP mandate, Group B suggests that the CDIP recommend to the General Assembly that the following elements form the basis for the coordination of the CDIP with other relevant WIPO bodies (i.e., those that have received a mandate from the General Assembly to implement specific Development Agenda recommendations) to enable its monitoring, assessment, discussion and reporting on the implementation of all recommendations adopted:

- The Director General or the Deputy Director General in charge of the Development Agenda and/or the Chair of the CDIP should provide regular updates, through written submissions or oral briefings, on the progress of the implementation of the Development Agenda recommendations to the CDIP and to the General Assembly. In particular, updates should focus on the work undertaken by other relevant WIPO bodies concerning the implementation of the Development Agenda recommendations.
- The General Assembly should instruct relevant WIPO bodies to work towards mainstreaming the Development Agenda recommendations in their activities in accordance with their specific mandate as received from the General Assembly.
- The General Assembly should instruct the Chairs of the relevant WIPO bodies to include in their annual report to the General Assembly a description of their contribution to the implementation of the respective recommendations, including an assessment utilizing the appropriate measures of success.
- The General Assembly should request the Director General or the Deputy Director General in charge of the Development Agenda to periodically state in their opening remarks to the relevant WIPO bodies and in WIPO's annual report the importance of

effectively implementing and mainstreaming the Development Agenda recommendations throughout WIPO.

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