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SCIT MEETINGS IN THE YEAR 2000

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- 1. In document SCIT/4/5, the International Bureau proposed to convene four SCIT meetings in the year 2000. Due to circumstances that have arisen since the issue of the document, the number and timing of the meetings need to be reviewed.
- 2. It will be necessary to change the planned date of the fifth Plenary session previously scheduled for June 19 to 23, 2000. During the period June 19 to 30, a World Summit on Social Development and an Extraordinary Session of the U.N. General Assembly will be held in Geneva, and as WIPO conference rooms will be used for those events, they will not be available for other meetings during the entire period. The International Bureau proposes to now convene this Plenary session a little later and suggests calendar week No. 28, i.e., from July 10 to 14, 2000.
- 3. Furthermore, for budgetary reasons, it would be convenient to limit the number of meetings in the year 2000 to three rather than four. To this end it is proposed to hold the fourth meeting of the SCIT Working Groups in conjunction with the sixth Plenary session of the Committee in week No. 50 (December 11 to 15, 2000).

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