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AD HOC IPC REFORM WORKING GROUP

**Third Session
Geneva, May 1 to 5, 2000**

DRAFT AGENDA

prepared by the Director General

1. Opening of the session
2. Election of a Chair and a Vice-Chair
3. Adoption of the agenda
See the present document.
4. Report on the twenty-ninth session of the IPC Committee of Experts
See document IPC/CE/29/11.
5. Determination of the most appropriate contents of the core level of the reformed IPC
See project file IPC/R 14/00.

6. Consideration of the IPC revision policy, the revision procedure and the criteria for accepting new revision proposals in relation to the core and advanced levels of the reformed IPC
See project file IPC/R 2/99.
7. Introduction of electronic data illustrating the contents of IPC entries
See project file IPC/R 3/99 Rev.3.
8. Elaboration of rules for multiple classification in the IPC
See project file IPC/R 4/99 Rev.2.
9. Review of the hybrid systems in the IPC
See project file IPC/R 5/99 Rev.2.
10. Study of the possibility of cooperation between offices in the reclassification of backlog patent files
See project file IPC/R 8/99 Rev.3.
11. Feasibility of introducing a simplified set of rules in the IPC, in particular a uniform precedence rule
See project file IPC/R 15/00.
12. Improvement of IPC training by providing modern training techniques
Oral report by the International Bureau.
13. Next session of the Working Group
14. Adoption of the report of the session
15. Closing of the session

The opening meeting will start on Monday, May 1, 2000, at 10 a.m., at the headquarters of WIPO, 34, chemin des Colombettes, Geneva (Conference Room B).

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