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CORRIGENDUM TO THE REPORT

submitted by India

The Secretariat of WIPO has been informed by the Delegation of India of the revision of two paragraphs in the Report, which should read as follows:

“29. The Delegation of India informed the Committee that there had been wide ranging discussions in the previous Standing Committee with particular emphasis on webcasters and cablecasters, and that, as a result, its view was that it was premature to move towards a treaty when even the definition of these terms was vague. Broadcasting organizations were already protected in its country under the Copyright Act. While discussing the new treaty, the interests of the general public and consumers were completely ignored. No new treaty could give more protection to broadcasting organizations, webcasters and cablecasters than what was given to authors and performers. If it was the investment interest of webcasters, the Delegation urged that such an interest was not the proper subject of copyright and related rights, as no creative intellectual effort was involved. New rights for webcasters and cablecasters would create another layer between the users and the creators or authors. The fifty-year term of protection included in several proposals would be totally against the interests of the public and will shrink the availability of material in public domain. Thus, the question of whether a new treaty was necessary and what would be its impact, should be carefully considered.

“90. The Delegation of India noted that national treatments should be made subject to the national security and public interest of the countries from which the broadcast originated or transmitted.”

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