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**Statement made by the Slovak Republic
under agenda item 17 – Lisbon system**

Mr Chairman,

Slovakia speaking in its national capacity would like to align itself with the statement made by the EU.

Slovakia would like to endorse the adoption of the amendments to the Common Regulations under the Lisbon Agreement and the Geneva Act with January 1, 2023, as their date of entry into force.

We believe that such amendments will help all relevant actors and stakeholders and will make the Lisbon system more attractive. At the same time, the proposed amendments should decrease the administrative burden for the procedures under the Lisbon System and may become well established in the practice, which would be beneficial to Member States.

Therefore, Slovakia fully supports the proposed amendments, which were agreed also at the Working Group on the Development of the Lisbon System held in June.

Thank you.