

Министерство образования и науки Российской Федерации ФЕДЕРАЛЬНАЯ СЛУЖБА ПО ИНТЕЛЛЕКТУАЛЬНОЙ СОБСТВЕННОСТИ, ПАТЕНТАМ И ТОВАРНЫМ ЗНАКАМ

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Dear Mr. Gurry,

With reference to your letter of February 23, 2009 relating to the Questionnairc for the preparation of the Draft Program and Budget for the 2010-2011 Biennium I'd like to inform you of the following.

The 2008/2009 Program and Budget has been approved on the basis of the new WIPO management proposals changing drastically Organization's strategy.

We fully support your efforts to prepare 2010/2011 WIPO Program and Budget on the basis of the newly approved nine strategic goals.

Thus, it's only logical that to give any comments on your letter N C.N. 2977 we should have concrete results from WIPO on the achievements under approved 2008/2009 WIPO Program and Budget. At present we do not have any preliminary results from WIPO on the implementation of the revised budget.

Nevertheless, we are still committed to support the new WIPO leadership and we reiterate our position that WIPO should ensure the transparency of its activity especially while rendering technical assistance to the Member-States to develop and strengthen their national IP systems. Moreover, the WIPO personnel should be staffed with IP professionals. And finally we state our view for increasing the level of financing of the Program 10 and determing the detailed mechanism of interprogram financing.

Sincerely yours,

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