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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Wednesday, September 15, 2004

10.00 – 10.10 Introduction

His Excellency Mr. Bernard Kessedjian, Ambassador of France to the United Nations Office in Geneva, Chair of the General Assembly of WIPO

10.10 – 10.20 Welcome and opening remarks

Dr. Kamil Idris, Director General, WIPO (or his representative)

10.20 – 10.40 Status Report on the Work of WIPO on Intellectual Property and Traditional Knowledge, Genetic Resources and Folklore

Speaker: Mr. Francis Gurry, Deputy Director General, WIPO

10.40 – 11.00 Intellectual Property Questions in Relation to Genetic Resources

Speaker: WIPO official

11.00 - 11. 20 Coffee Break

11.20 – 11.40 Benefit-sharing from Genetic Resources: Challenges for the Intellectual Property System

Speaker: Mr. Kent Nnadozie, Director, Southern Environmental and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (SEAPRI), Nairobi

11.40 – 12.40 Developments in Other Fora

Developments in the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)

Speaker: Secretariat of the CBD

Developments in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Speaker: Secretariat of the FAO Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

Developments in the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Speaker: Secretariat of the UNEP

Developments in the World Trade Organization (WTO)

Speaker: Secretariat of the WTO

12.40 – 13.00 Discussion

13.00 – 15.00 Lunch

15.00 – 16.30 Genetic Resources and the Patent System: Perspectives on Disclosure Requirements in Patent Applications

Speakers: Professor N. S. Gopalakrishnan, Director, Center for Intellectual Property Rights Studies, School of Legal Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin

Mr. Timothy Roberts, Chairman, Working Party on the Interface Between Intellectual Property Rights, Development and the Protection of the Environment, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Bracknell

Mr. Manuel Ruiz, Director, Program of International Affairs and Biodiversity, Sociedad Peruana de Derecho Ambient (SPDA), Lima

Mr. Eric Noehrenberg, Director, International Trade and Market Issues, International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Associations (IFPMA), Geneva

Mr. Michael A. Gollin, Chair, Public Interest Intellectual Property
Advisors (PIIPA) and Partner, Venable LLP, Washington, D.C.

16.30 - 16.45 Coffee Break

16.45 – 17.45 Discussion

17.45 – 18.00 Concluding Remarks

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