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Mr. Y. Takagi Director Inter-Office Information Services Department World Intellectual Property Organization 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20 SWITZERLAND

Re: WIPO SCIT Circular 2417 – WIPO Standard ST.33 (Project 2/98 SCIT Task No. 6)

Dear Mr. Takagi:

The USPTO believes the Version 2.0, November 1998 draft of WIPO Standard ST.33 is acceptable as proposed.

Sincerely,

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