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Re: Unique identification of a patent document (Task No. 39)

Dear Deputy Director,

With reference to WIPO Circular SCIT 2460/03 of August 19, 1999, concerning the need for revising certain WIPO Standards in view of clarifying how to uniquely identifying a patent document when it has been corrected, we herewith submit the completed questionnaire related to Task No. 39 which is attached as an Annex to this letter.

Enclosure

Sincerely yours,

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QUESTIONNAIRE RELATED TO TASK No. 39\*

The purpose of this Questionnaire is to gather information on the views of industrial property offices as to whether and how certain WIPO Standards should be revised in order to determine the unique identification of any patent document.

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### Does your Office see a need for revision of certain WIPO Standards in connection with the application of supplementary correction codes?

Yes

No

### (a) Which WIPO Standards, among those listed in Task No. 39, are considered by your Office as needing revision in order to clarify how a patent document should be uniquely identified?

all.....

(b) Should any other WIPO Standard be added to those listed in your answer to question 2(a)? If so, please list them.

ST.22, ST.25, ST.33.....

### For each of the WIPO Standards given in your answers to questions 2(a) and 2(b), please list the specific part(s) which may require revision and/or further provisions with respect to this matter.

ST.6 (§3, 9-13, REFERENCE TO ST.50), ST.10, §3, ST.10/B (§9, 11), ST.11 (§4-6), ST.12/C (§7), ST.16 (§8-11), ST.19 (§6, 8, 15-19), ST.22 (§8), ST.25 (§38 REFERENCE TO ST.50), ST.30 (§4, ANNEX), ST.32 (§20, PART 1 (TABLE OF ATTRIBUTES, SGML TAGS:DESCRIPTION AND ATTRIBUTES), PART 2:PATENT BILIOGRAPHIC DATA, ANNEX B), ST.33 (APPENDICES), ST.35 (APPENDIX 2), ST.40 (§4, 19-22, 25, ANNEX H)

QUESTIONNAIRE (cont'd)

### If your Office has any proposals concerning revision of, and/or further provisions to be inserted in, any of the items listed in your answer to question 3, please indicate.

Priority of revisions of certain standards  
should be considered, e.g. low priority for  
ST.22

[End of Questionnaire and of Circular]

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Task No. 39 reads as follows:

“Investigate, in the light of the revised Standard ST.14, whether any other WIPO Standard, such as ST.6, ST.10/B, ST.11, ST.12, ST.16, ST.19, ST.30, ST.32, ST.35 and ST.40, requires revision in order to clarify how a patent document should be uniquely identified”