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Dear Mr Takagi,

SCIT Strategic Implementation Plan

In his letter of September 24, 1999, Mr Wittig invited comments on the draft plan. These are the comments of the United Kingdom Patent Office.

Clearly much work has gone into the preparation of the strategic implementation plan and it is very useful to have all the information provided in a single document.

To help improve the presentation of the plan, we would like make the following suggestions:

- Distinguish between:
 - Outward-facing parts of the programme which have critical importance for WIPO members and external customers and
 - Projects which have critical importance for the efficient operation of International Bureau's *internal* processes.

- Identify more precisely the interdependencies between the various parts of the programme. For example: electronic filing of PCT is dependent on WIPONet which is in turn dependent on organisation-wide security arrangements for WIPO.
- Provide shorter descriptions of each project, listing milestones with estimated target dates.

Yours sincerely,

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