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**Subject:** FW: SCIT Re-structuring

Our ref. Nr-DI/262/e/2000

Dear Sirs,  
Ref . your message under subject SCIT Re-structuring, please note our comments:

#### 1.Introduction

According to the initial mandate of SCIT, as defined in document A/32/3, dated February 1998, the Portuguese delegation agrees with the substitution of the existing SCIT for an advisory group, composed by experts from the member states and non governmental international organisations (e.g. EPO, OHIM,...)

#### 2.Advisory Group on Information Technology

The Portuguese delegation agrees with the organisation and working methods of this group.

#### 3.Standing Committee on Technical Standards and Documentation

The Portuguese delegation does not agree, definitively, with the constitution of this committee as in the proposed version:

a) All the Members States should be represented

b) This committee should report directly to the general assembly, which would promulgate the standards proposed by the committee.

c) For a best development of work, the International Bureau should present to the Committee the basic documents which would be analysed and discussed by the members of the referred Committee.

d) In case of exceptional difficulty, the Committee could stablish restricted Working Groups within itself for executing technical tasks of great complexity.

e) The assistance of external experts should be exclusively reserved to the International Bureau for occasional elaboration of more complex basic documents.

Sincerely yours.

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-----Mensagem original-----

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Further to our e-mail yesterday (copy below), please find attached an updated version of document SCIT/RES/1 Rev. The version issued by e-mail yesterday referred in paragraph 6 to 'document A/32/2 dated February 1999'. This should have read 'document A/32/3 dated February 1998' (see attached). Also, to avoid any confusion, please note that this document is being issued as a Rev version (SCIT/RES/1/Rev) following very minor editorial changes made to the original version which has and will not be issued by e-mail/official channels.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Regards,  
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TO: SCIT E-MAIL CONTACTS

At its fifth Plenary session, held in Geneva from July 10 to 14, 2000, the SCIT tasked the Secretariat with producing, for consideration at its next meeting in January 2001, a paper on restructuring of the Standing Committee. In line with this timetable a copy of a first restructuring options paper is attached in PDF format (res\_1\_r1.pdf).

Delegates were particularly concerned that Member States should have ample opportunity to contribute comments on this draft document. Therefore, the following timetable for production of the document was agreed:

01.09.00: Deadline for posting of first draft of restructuring document by the International Bureau

29.09.00: Deadline for receipt of Member States' comments on first draft

13.10.00: Deadline for posting of second draft of restructuring document by the International Bureau

09.11.00: Deadline for receipt of Member States' comments on second draft

27.11.00: Deadline for final draft by the International Bureau

22.01.01: Document for consideration by SCIT Plenary

Member States are requested to submit comments on document SCIT/RES/1 Rev. by e-mail to scit.mail@wipo.int <mailto:scit.mail@wipo.int> for the attention of Helen Frary or by mail (see below) no later than September 29, 2000.

Further information is available on the SCIT Area of the Web site (see "SCIT - What's New").

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