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Madam,
Sir,

The Committee on WIPO Standards (CWS), at its reconvened fourth session held in March 2016, approved the questionnaire to conduct the survey on the use of WIPO Standards. (See paragraphs 16 to 19 and 90 to 93 of document [CWS/4BIS/16](#)).

As a follow-up to that decision of the CWS, your Office/Organization is kindly invited to submit its response by completing the questionnaire on a restricted page in a dedicated Wiki Space (<https://www3.wipo.int/confluence/x/OADDB>) by September 30, 2016.

./ Instructions on how to request access to this page and submit the response are available at <https://www3.wipo.int/confluence/x/MALDB>. For your information, the questionnaire is enclosed herewith.

The Secretariat would be greatly assisted in conducting a more informed survey through provision of useful information in relation to implementation or non-implementation of the WIPO Standards by Member States, in particular, developing countries. Your Office/Organization is therefore encouraged to use the optional comments section (No. 4) to elaborate on its respective experiences relating to awareness of, implementation or non-implementation of the WIPO Standards, including any difficulties encountered.

The survey results will be presented for consideration at the fifth session of the CWS to be held in 2017.

Any questions or feedback concerning the survey or the use of WIPO Wiki may be addressed to the International Bureau at cws.surveys@wipo.int.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosure: Annex

QUESTIONNAIRE

SURVEY ON THE USE OF WIPO STANDARDS BY INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY OFFICES

These four questions will be asked about every WIPO Standard in force.

WIPO Standard ST.XX

1. Is the Standard implemented in your Office's/Organization's practice?
 - Completely
 - Partly
 - Not Implemented

2. If the answer was "Partly", please explain your Office's/Organization's practice briefly

3. If the answer was "Not implemented", does your Office/Organization plan to implement the Standard?
 - Yes. If so, when? _____
 - No. If not, why? _____

4. Comments (optional)