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ADDENDUM TO DOCUMENT PCT/TCO/II/2

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1. Document PCT/TCO/II/2 contains a summary of the developments of interest to the Interim Committee since its first session (February 1971) to October 1972.

2. The present document updates the said summary in respect of the following supplementary documents and additional reports which were referred to in document PCT/TCO/II/2, but which were not addressed either to the Interim Committee or its Standing Subcommittee until after document PCT/TCO/II/2 had issued.

Minimum Documentation (Non-Patent Literature)

3. All of the prospective Authorities have replied to the questions formulated by the German Patent Office and the evaluation of their replies are contained in the supplementary document PCT/TCO/SS/III/8 referred to in the last sentence of paragraph 9 of document PCT/TCO/II/2.

Statistics on Citations of Non-Patent Literature

4. Additional information and comments which have been received from the Patent Offices of the Netherlands, Germany (Federal Republic), and Sweden and from the International Patent Institute in response to Circular Letter No. 1462, referred to in the last sentence of paragraph 10 of document PCT/TCO/II/2, are contained in supplementary document PCT/TCO/SS/III/16, whereas additional information and comments later received from the Japanese and the Austrian Patent Offices are contained in supplementary document PCT/TCO/SS/III/19.

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5. Comments which have been received from the Soviet Union on a previously distributed sample set of non-patent literature items are contained in supplementary document PCT/TCO/SS/III/11. The copyright questions and the future INSPEC plans referred to in the last sentence of paragraph 13 of document PCT/TCO/II/2 are dealt with in a brochure drafted by INSPEC and transmitted by the International Bureau to the members of the Standing Subcommittee. A summary of recent activities relating to the INSPEC project is now contained in supplementary document PCT/TCO/SS/III/20.

Patent Families and Bibliographic Data

6. The separate and more detailed report concerning INPADOC, referred to in paragraph 23 of document PCT/TCO/II/2, is contained in document PCT/TCO/II/3.

Isolated Searches

7. The report of the International Patent Institute (IIB) on isolated searches, referred to in the last sentence of paragraph 26 of document PCT/TCO/II/2, has now been submitted and is contained in supplementary document PCT/TCO/SS/III/15.

Bilateral Examiner Exchange

8. Additional responses to the circular letter requesting information on examiner exchanges, referred to in paragraph 28 of document PCT/TCO/II/2, have been received and are contained together with a summary of all responses in supplementary document PCT/TCO/SS/III/17.

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