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PROPOSAL FOR CHANGE FILE/  
 DOSSIER RELATIF A LA PROPOSITION DE MODIFICATION

<b>SUBJECT: Changes to Annex F, Appendix I, section 3.6 (modification of the DTDs for the search report and written opinion)</b>		PROPOSED BY: IB	
<b>SUJET : Modifications de la section 3.6 de l'appendice I de l'annexe F (modifications des DTD du rapport de recherche et l'opinion écrite)</b>		PROPOSÉES PAR : IB	
HANDLING: Expedited cycle TRAITEMENT : Cycle accéléré		PROPOSED DATE OF ENTRY INTO FORCE: 01.07.2017 DATE PROPOSÉE D'ENTRÉE EN VIGUEUR :	
<b>Annex/ Annexe</b>	<b>Content/Contenu</b>	<b>Origin/ Origine</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	Modifications of the DTDs for the search report and written opinion to make the DTDs currently used in production official  Modification des DTD du rapport de recherche et de l'opinion écrite pour officialiser les DTD actuellement utilisées dans la production	IB	10.3.2017
Next action: Comment		By: 30.4.2017	
Prochaine action : Commentaires		Pour le :	

[Annex I follows/  
 L'annexe I suit]

Item 1	
Location:	Annex F, Appendix I, section 3.6, search-report, written-opinion DTD
Change:	<p><b>FROM:</b> search-report-v1-2.dtd (available at <a href="http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/resources/1.11/search-report-v1-2.dtd">http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/resources/1.11/search-report-v1-2.dtd</a>)</p> <p><b>TO:</b> search-report-v1-2-4.dtd, renamed with backwardly compatible changes described below to search-report-v2-0.dtd (available at <a href="http://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct-safe/en/resources/1.13/search-report-v1-2-4.zip">http://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct-safe/en/resources/1.13/search-report-v1-2-4.zip</a>)</p> <p>And add</p> <p>Written-opinion-v0-96.dtd, renamed with backwardly compatible changes described below to written-opinion-v1-0.dtd (available at <a href="http://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct-safe/en/resources/1.13/written-opinion-v0-96.zip">http://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct-safe/en/resources/1.13/written-opinion-v0-96.zip</a>)</p>
Reason:	<p>Search-report-v1-2.dtd has never entered live use. Search-report-v1-2-4.dtd and written-opinion-v0-96.dtd represent the results of development work by several International Searching Authorities seeking to deliver valid reports which can be used across the full range of possible business needs.</p> <p>The most fundamental change is that, while the original DTD required the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority to be delivered together as a single unit, the proposal expects the search report and the written opinion in separate XML files. Preparing them in separate files overcomes some difficulties in the preparation of reports as a single XML file, when in exceptional cases one document needed to be established without the other; in particular a single XML file made it difficult for the documents to be separated, noting that in practice they are frequently translated at different times and published in different ways.</p> <p>A number of more detailed changes have been made to the structure, but this does not affect the definitions of the international common elements which are used in other DTDs.</p> <p>In principle, consequential changes should be made to the iprp-v1-2 DTD in order to maximize the ease of reuse of data between stages of processing. However, no International Preliminary Examining Authorities are yet ready to deliver Chapter II reports in XML format and it is proposed to wait and propose updates to that DTD based on the experience gained during preparations for this next phase of the move towards XML processing.</p>



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Reason:	<p>This change is proposed to make this element in the written opinion DTD consistent with the corresponding element in the search-report DTD</p> <p>This change is backwardly compatible.    Note the current search-report and written-opinion DTDs have a slightly different starting point for application-info ; the section above highlights all the changes</p>

Item 3	
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Location:	Annex F, Appendix I, section 3.6, search-report written-opinion DTD
Change:	<p><b>FROM:</b>  &lt;!--*****  CITATIONS  *****  Grouping tag for patent literature (patcit)  or non-patent literature (nplcit) plus data related to those  citations.</p> <p>Recommended id='cit0001', 'cit0002', etc.  For the SR: id='sr-cit0001', 'sr-cit0002'  For the WO: id='wo-cit0001"</p> <p>reference  Identification given by the party to the document, e.g. A1.</p> <p>exam-reference  Identification given by the search or examining division to  the document,  e.g. D1.</p> <p>Removed:  - classification-ipc  - classification-national</p> <p>--&gt;  &lt;!ELEMENT citation ((patcit   nplcit),(rel-  passage*,category*,rel-claims*)*,  corresponding-docs*,classifications-  ipcr?,doi?) &gt;</p> <p>&lt;!ATTLIST citation  id ID #IMPLIED  cited-phase (application   search    international-search-report    supplementary-international-search-report    international-type-search-report   national-  search-report    supplementary-national-search-report    examination    international-examination   national-  examination   opposition    limitation) #IMPLIED  cited-by (applicant   examiner   opponent    third-party) #IMPLIED  reference CDATA #IMPLIED  exam-reference CDATA #IMPLIED &gt;</p> <p><b>TO:</b>  &lt;!--*****  CITATIONS  *****</p>

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Reason:	<p>This change is proposed to make this element in the written opinion DTD consistent with the corresponding element in the search-report DTD</p> <p>This change is backwardly compatible.</p> <p>Note the current search-report and written-opinion DTDs have a slightly different starting point for citation ; the section above highlights all the changes</p>

Item 4	
Location:	Annex F, Appendix I, section 3.6, written-opinion DTD
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Reason:	<p>This change is proposed to make this element in the written opinion DTD consistent with the corresponding element in the search-report DTD</p> <p>This change is backwardly compatible.</p>

Item 6	
Location:	Annex F, Appendix I, section 3.6, search-report DTD
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Reason:	<p>This change is proposed to make this element in the written opinion DTD consistent with the corresponding element in the search-report DTD</p> <p>This change is backwardly compatible.</p>

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Location:	Annex F, Appendix I, section 3.6, search-report DTD
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Reason:	<p>This change is proposed to make this element in the written opinion DTD consistent with the corresponding element in the search-report DTD</p> <p>This change is backwardly compatible.</p>

Item 8	
Location:	Annex F, Appendix I, section 3.6, package-data DTD

<p>Change:</p>	<p><b>ADD:</b></p> <pre>&lt;!--   Written Opinion of a searching authority --&gt; &lt;!ELEMENT written-opinion EMPTY&gt; &lt;!ATTLIST written-opinion           id          ID          #IMPLIED           file        CDATA      #REQUIRED           lang        CDATA      #IMPLIED           carriers    (internal-electronic                       external-electronic                       paper ) #IMPLIED           status     CDATA      #IMPLIED &gt;</pre>
<p>Reason:</p>	<p>This new element required to support written opinion in package-data</p> <p>This change is backwardly compatible.</p>

<p>Item 9</p>	
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Reason:	<p>This new element required to support written opinion in package-data</p> <p>This change is backwardly compatible.</p>

Item 10	
Location:	Annex F, Appendix I, section 3.6, package-data DTD
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Reason:	<p>This new element required to support written opinion in package-data</p> <p>This change is backwardly compatible.</p>

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