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REPORT ON THE REVISION OF WIPO STANDARD ST.66

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1. When WIPO Standard ST.66 was adopted by the former Standards and Documentation Working Group (SDWG) of the Standing Committee on Information Technologies (SCIT) at its eighth session, the Trademark Standards Task Force was preparing a proposal for a new WIPO standard recommending the electronic management of the figurative elements of trademarks, i.e., WIPO Standard ST.67. In this regard, instead of providing detailed recommendation on image profiles for external entities, WIPO Standard ST.66 provided the list of image file formats and referred to the preparation of the new WIPO standard for details of image profiles.

2. Since WIPO Standard ST.67 was adopted by the former SDWG at its eleventh session, as a consequence, WIPO Standard ST.66 needed to be revised in order to recommend image profiles specified in WIPO Standard ST.67. In order to revise WIPO Standard ST.66, the International Bureau submitted a Proposal For Revision (PFR), i.e., ‘PFR ST.66/2010/001’, for consideration and approval by the ST.66 Task Force in October 2010. The ST.66 Task Force approved the PFR and subsequently adopted the revised WIPO Standard ST.66, version 1.2, in February 2012. The approved PFR is available on WIPO website at:
3. Taking into account the changes of two-letter codes in WIPO Standard ST.3 (hereinafter referred to as “ST.3 codes”) and ISO country codes since 2007, it is needed to revise corresponding XML schemas which WIPO Standard ST.66 refers to. Those XML schemas are also referred to by WIPO Standard ST.86, and will be used by the new WIPO Standard ST.96. In this regard, the revision of those XML schemas should be considered in view of common use by WIPO Standards dealing with XML. For the common use, XML schemas in line with the latest ST.3 codes and ISO country codes are included in a proposal for the new WIPO Standard ST.96 (see document CWS/2/4). Once WIPO Standard ST.96 is adopted, XML schemas for ST.3 codes and ISO country codes should be referred to by all WIPO Standards using XML including WIPO Standard ST.66.

4. The CWS is invited to note the results of the work done by the ST.66 Task Force and the progress report of the Task Leader, as set out in this document.

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