

Item 14. Report on the Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights (SCCR) (WO/GA/50/3)

Mr. Chair,

1. CEBS Group would like to thank the chair of SCCR, Mr. Daren Tang, for his excellent work during the 35th and 36th sessions of the committee. We would also like to express our gratitude to the Deputy Director General Ms. Sylvie Forbin and the Secretariat for their work over the past year including the preparation for this General Assembly.
2. While approving report of the Committee, the CEBS group would like to restate its longstanding position that the group is committed to work towards convening of a diplomatic conference on adopting the Treaty for the Protection of Broadcasting Organisations, which would produce the meaningful outcome. We emphasize the need to have a contemporary treaty that would take into account different types of broadcasting developed through the rapidly evolving technologies and contain forward-looking provisions.
3. We look toward the progress on developing an adequate and effective legal instrument and favour the approach, which equally protects any transmissions of broadcasting organization over computer networks and reflects contemporary technological realities as well as rapidly evolving digital environment.
4. CEBS group welcomes the good progress achieved at the last sessions of the Committee. We are looking forward to negotiations during the next session with a view to making further progress on the basis of Chair's updated document SCCR/36/6 containing the most recent version of the "Revised Consolidated Text on Definitions, Object of Protection, Rights to be granted and other issues".
5. As regards the Committee's work on limitations and exceptions, we appreciate the adoption of two actions plans contained in document SCCR/36/7 concerning limitations and exceptions for libraries, archives and museums, for educational and research institutions, as well as for persons with other than print disabilities. CEBS group is looking forward to constructive evidence based discussion while implementing these action plans.
6. Finally, as regards the Committee's work on *Other matters*, I would like to reiterate the CEBS Group's support for inclusion of the Resale Right into agenda of the Committee as a standing item – we firmly believe that this important topic is highly relevant to the mandate of the SCCR. We also look forward to examine the modalities of the envisaged studies and constructively engage in further discussions.

Thank you Mr. Chair.