

C. N 3990

The Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) presents his compliments to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and has the honor to refer to Note C. N 3989, dated April 14, 2020, regarding the Sixtieth Series of Meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO, namely, the three Assemblies of WIPO and of the Unions administered by WIPO that will meet in extraordinary sessions on May 7 and 8, 2020: (1) WIPO General Assembly, fifty-second (28th extraordinary) session; (2) Paris Union Assembly, fifty-fifth (31st extraordinary) session; and (3) Berne Union Assembly, forty-ninth (25th extraordinary) session.

Further to the proposal as set forth in Note C. N 3989, it is hereby confirmed that the requisite quorum and the required majority have been met to conduct, exceptionally, the meeting of the WIPO Assemblies on May 7 and 8 to appoint the next Director General in the form of a written procedure. WIPO Member States have thereby authorized the Chair of the WIPO General Assembly to circulate, on April 27, 2020, the relevant draft decisions regarding the appointment of the next Director General for their consideration, and, in the absence of explicit objection, in the form of a negative written response, within 7 calendar days, or no later than 5 p.m. May 4, 2020, such decisions shall be considered adopted.



April 22, 2020