

ANNEX**Sixty-Third Series of Meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO
(Geneva, 14 – 22 July 2022)****Agenda Item 2****Adoption of the Agenda**

Madam Chair,

On behalf of the European Union and its Member States, I would like to support the statement delivered by the United Kingdom on behalf of the 43 delegations that requested the agenda item, entitled '*Assistance and Support for Ukraine's Innovation and Creativity Sector and Intellectual Property System*'.

Besides the human suffering, the war in Ukraine is also causing severe damage of Ukrainian cultural heritage, the intellectual property infrastructure, and the overall innovation ecosystem. These are IP relevant implications which cannot be better addressed elsewhere than in WIPO, together with concrete means that WIPO can specifically contribute to Ukraine's recovery. Under the dedicated agenda item, we intend to respond constructively to these timely matters.

In order to allow proceeding on all the important work before us, we urge the General Assembly to adopt the proposed consolidated agenda as a whole.

Thank you.