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CENTRAL EUROPEAN AND BALTIC STATES GROUP (CEBS)

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Madam Chair,

1. On behalf of the CEBS Group, I would like to commend the work undertaken by the IAOC and the IOD and thank them for their comprehensive reports. We welcome the interaction between the IAOC and the IOD as such close cooperation is not only crucial for ensuring sound oversight and management of the Organisation, but also it significantly improves the process of the implementation of the issued recommendations. I would also like to recall statements of Poland on behalf of the CEBS group delivered with regards to these documents during PBC/36.
2. The CEBS Group appreciates that the IAOC studied direct linkages of the various activities to the Medium-Term Strategic Plan (MTSP), suggested a mapping exercise of risks and paid attention also to the risk management and financial reporting.
3. We also highly value the work of the IOD and we believe that it contributes towards the continuous improvement of the effectiveness and transparency of the Organization. Moreover, the IOD plays an important role by supporting WIPO in strengthening controls, accountability, transparency and learning and in introducing innovative and fit-for-purpose tools and practices that enables WIPO to move towards the highest standards in risk management and program delivery. Therefore, we welcome the results of evaluation and investigative activities carried out by the IOD.
4. Our Group also recognizes that recommendations of the external and internal oversight bodies are elaborated with endeavour to further effectiveness and

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efficiency of the organisation, thus we encourage the Secretariat to continue working on their sound implementation.

Thank you.