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CENTRAL EUROPEAN AND BALTIC STATES GROUP (CEBS)

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Madam Chair,

- 1. The CEBS Group extends its thanks to the Chair of ACE, Mr. Irakli Kasradze, and the Vice-Chairs for their efforts, commitment and leadership of ACE. We equally thank the Secretariat for preparing relevant documents and for general dedication to the work of this Committee.
- 2. We express satisfaction that the ordinary session of ACE held in September 2022, after two years of break of work, offered the opportunity to discuss issues related to IP Enforcement, based on presentations on national experience from the Members.
- 3. We welcome the discussion on best practices and experiences shared by member States, international organisations and stakeholders on topics related to New Technologies in IP Enforcement, Adjudication of IP Infringement Cases, The Role of Intermediaries In IP Enforcement or National Initiatives to Address Online IP Infringements.
- 4. We express thanks for the summary of the activities provided during ACE discussions, in the Field of Building Respect for Intellectual Property provided. For CEBS countreis it is imporatnt that these activities embraced also some Members of the Group, as envisaged by the customized WIPO training materials for use in Albania.
- 5. We are looking forward to continued discussions during the January 2024 session of ACE.

Thank you.