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REPORT

adopted by the Coordination Committee

1. The Coordination Committee was concerned with the following items on the Consolidated Agenda (document A/43/1): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 28, 30, 31 and 32.
2. The report on the said items, with the exception of item 30, is contained in the General Report (document A/43/16).
3. The report on item 30 is contained in the present document.
4. Mrs. Hilde J. Skorpen (Norway), Chair of the Coordination Committee, presided over the meeting.

ITEM 30 OF THE CONSOLIDATED AGENDA:

STAFF MATTERS

5. Discussions were based on document WO/CC/56/1.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAFF REGULATIONS AND STAFF RULES

Amendments to the Staff Regulations provisionally decreed and applied under Staff Regulation 12.1

6. The WIPO Coordination Committee approved the amendments to Staff Regulations 3.1 (Salaries), 3.7 (Language Allowance), 3.11 (Education Grant) 3.12 (Dependency Allowance) and 3.15 (Pensionable Remuneration) as reported in paragraphs 1 to 17 of document WO/CC/56/1.

Amendments to the Staff Rules under Staff Regulation 12.2

7. The WIPO Coordination Committee took note of the amendments made to Staff Rules 3.11.1 (Education Grant), 6.2.2 (Sick Leave and Special Leave for Prolonged Illness), 7.1.12 (Terminal Expenses) and 7.1.18 (Assignment Grant) as indicated in paragraphs 19 to 37 of document WO/CC/56/1.

Employment Conditions for General Service short-term employees

8. The WIPO Coordination Committee took note of the information provided by the Secretariat concerning service conditions for short-term employees as indicated in paragraph 39 of document WO/CC/56/1.

WIPO APPEAL BOARD

9. The WIPO Coordination Committee took note of the information provided by the Secretariat as contained in paragraphs 41 to 44 of document WO/CC/56/1 and designated H.E. Ambassador Francisco Verros, Permanent representative of Greece to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva as the Chairman of the WIPO Appeal Board.

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

10. The WIPO Coordination Committee noted the information contained in paragraph 46 of document WO/CC/56/1.

UNITED NATIONS JOINT STAFF PENSION BOARD

11. The WIPO Coordination Committee noted the information contained in paragraph 48 of document WO/CC/56/1.

WIPO STAFF PENSION COMMITTEE

12. The WIPO Coordination Committee noted the information provided by the Secretariat as contained in paragraphs 50 and 51 of document WO/CC/56/1 concerning Mr. Rémi Raoul continuing as member and the Director General's initiative on the search for a qualified and suitable candidate to be elected as an alternate member of the Committee for the term running until the ordinary session of 2009 of the WIPO Coordination Committee.

13. The Delegation of Poland, speaking on behalf of the Central European and Baltic countries, expressed their concern over the issue of a more balanced geographical distribution of staff in WIPO and in particular the Division in charge of their region.

14. The Delegation of the Russian Federation, speaking on behalf of Central Asian Caucasus and Eastern European Countries, stated that more in-depth consideration be made to the use of titles for specific posts.

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