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## WIPO COORDINATION COMMITTEE

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TIMETABLE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW DIRECTOR GENERAL OF WIPO

*Proposal by Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela*

The countries of Latin America and the Caribbean consider that the process for the election of the new Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization should be given the utmost flexibility, and GRULAC therefore proposes the following timetable:

1. On October 14, 1996, the Chairman of the Coordination Committee sends a circular to all Member States, inviting them to propose one or more nationals as a candidate or as candidates for the post of Director General of WIPO.
2. The Chairman of the Coordination Committee, with the collaboration of the International Bureau, communicates the various nominations to all the Member States immediately on receiving them.
3. The period for the submission of candidatures will be 30 days prior to the meeting of the Coordination Committee.
4. The Coordination Committee meets in extraordinary session on March 6 and 7, 1997, at the headquarters of WIPO, to nominate the candidate for the post of Director General who is to be appointed by the General Assembly.

5. If the Coordination Committee fails to agree on the nomination of the candidate, the Chairman of the Committee once again invites Member States to propose candidates.
6. The decision of the Coordination Committee is notified to all the Member States by the Chairman of the Committee immediately after agreement has been reached.
7. The General Assembly of WIPO and the Assemblies of the Paris and Berne Unions will have on their agenda for the 1997 ordinary sessions, to be held between September 22 and October 1, 1997, an item entitled "Appointment of the Director General."

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