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We are hereby communicating our viewpoint on selected questions of the questionnaire on the Draft Program and Budget for the 2008/09 Biennium:

- 1.-2. Latvia considers that the program and budget for the 2008/09 biennium should continue to be based on the same strategic goals and programmes.
- 3. Programmatic areas of the Organization's work to which we attach the greatest importance are following:
 - Positive public understanding of IP;
 - Strategic role of IP for development;
 - Enhancing IP's role in development at the national, regional and international

level;

- Strengthening IP infrastructure and institutions;
- Strengthening IP human resources; and
- Further development of the PCT system and international registration systems.
- 4. No comments.
- 5. No comments.
- 6. No comments.
- 7. We agree that 2008/2009 Program and Budget continue to be based on full budgetary balance.
- 8. No comments.
- 9. We agree that similar amount be earmarked under the 2008/09 Program and Budget to cover such liability.
- 10. No.

11. No.

Yours sincerely,

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