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WIPO Meetings

Governing Bodies of WIPO and the Unions Administered by WIPO

Eighteenth Series of Meetings
(Geneva, September 21 to 30, 1987)

NOTE*

The Governing Bodies of WIPO and the Unions administered by WIPO held their eighteenth series of meetings in Geneva from September 21 to 30, 1987. Delegations from 88 States, 17 intergovernmental organizations and 11 international non-governmental organizations participated in the meetings.

The following 23 Governing Bodies held sessions:

- 1 – 3 WIPO General Assembly, Conference and Coordination Committee;
- 4 – 6 Paris Union Assembly, Conference of Representatives and Executive Committee;
- 7 – 9 Berne Union Assembly, Conference of Representatives and Executive Committee;
- 10 & 11 Madrid Union Assembly and Committee of Directors;
- 12 & 13 Hague Union Assembly and Conference of Representatives;
- 14 & 15 Nice Union Assembly and Conference of Representatives;
- 16 & 17 Lisbon Union Assembly and Council;
- 18 Locarno Union Assembly;
- 19 IPC [International Patent Classification] Union Assembly;
- 20 PCT [Patent Cooperation Treaty] Union Assembly;
- 21 TRT [Trademark Registration Treaty] Union Assembly;
- 22 Budapest Union Assembly;
- 23 Vienna Union Assembly.

The Director General greeted the representatives of the States that, since the 1986 sessions of the Governing Bodies, had acceded to various treaties: to the WIPO Convention, Lebanon and Paraguay; to the Hague Agreement, Benin and Italy; to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), Benin; to the Budapest Treaty, Australia and the Netherlands; to the Rome Convention, the Dominican Republic and France; to the Geneva (Phonograms) Convention, the Republic of Korea. He also expressed pleasure that, during the period in question,

and as far as the PCT is concerned, Japan had withdrawn its declaration concerning the time limit for furnishing the translation of the international application and the United States of America had withdrawn its reservation to Chapter II.

The main agenda items and the main decisions covered the following points:

Activities Covering the Period September 1985 to June 1987. The reports on those activities were considered and accepted. They reflect the work of the International Bureau during the said period. Most of the delegations which spoke made special reference to the efforts of the International Bureau in the field of development cooperation for the benefit of developing countries. The view was expressed that such activities enabled the intellectual property systems in those countries to play a significant role in their social, economic and technological development.

Program and Budget for the 1988-89 Biennium. The program and budget was adopted.

The program and budget differentiates between Program Unions and Registration Unions. The services rendered by the International Bureau for the Program Unions (Paris Union, Berne Union, IPC Union, Nice Union, Locarno Union, Vienna Union) are funded mainly by contributions from the member States. The services rendered for the Registration Unions (PCT Union, Madrid Union, Hague Union) are funded mainly by fees payable by owners of inventions, trademarks and industrial designs.

The program and budget for 1988-89 foresees the same level of activity in the *Program Unions*, with the same contributions from member States as in 1986-87. Within those levels, the program and budget includes an increase of 13.2% for *development cooperation activities*. A part of those activities will be financed also from extrabudgetary resources, such as the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and bilateral trust funds. As compared with previous years, there will be more fellowships; more of the training courses, seminars and workshops will be more specialized, will expand into new topics and will be held in developing countries, and more of them will be regional; the

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number of experts and consultants coming from developing countries and advising developing countries will also increase; travel expenses of representatives of more developing countries to the sessions of the Permanent Committees for Development Cooperation Related to Industrial Property and Copyright will be borne by WIPO.

As far as the *revision of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property* is concerned, the Assembly of the Paris Union decided that the three spokesmen and the representative of China will meet in Geneva not later than April 1988 to decide the date and program of the next consultative meeting on the revision of the Paris Convention, whereas, in September 1988, a progress report will be made to the Paris Union Executive Committee and, if the spokesmen agree that a decision on the date of the continuation of the diplomatic conference can be taken already in September 1988, the Paris Union Assembly will be convened in extraordinary session in September 1988.

As far as the *Diplomatic Conference for the Conclusion of a Treaty on the Protection of Intellectual Property in Respect of Integrated Circuits* is concerned, it was decided that the International Bureau would prepare, in consultation with experts from developing countries, specific studies and analyses dealing in particular with legal matters, would distribute them to the governments of all States members of WIPO or the Paris Union for comments, and would convene a consultative meeting of experts from developing countries to review and evaluate the comments received from governments. A meeting of all States members of WIPO or the Paris Union at the end of May or the beginning of June 1988 would review the progress of the preparatory work. The International Bureau would convene the fourth session of the Committee of Experts and a preparatory meeting to prepare the Diplomatic Conference. After all the above steps had been accomplished and based on the outcome of the meeting of the Committee of Experts and of the preparatory meeting, the Director General would convene a diplomatic conference during the biennium 1988-89, if possible in Washington, otherwise in Geneva, for the purpose of concluding a treaty on the protection of intellectual property in respect of integrated circuits.

The many other *program activities* for the next biennium include the following: the continuation of collecting and disseminating information on intellectual property; the further development of the patent, trademark and industrial design classification systems; the organization of meetings of experts to work out norms in the fields of patents for inventions, trademarks and literary and artistic works (those norms to take the form of guidelines or model provisions for national or regional legislation and, in respect of questions relating to patents and trademarks for which the conclusion of a multilateral treaty has serious chances of being successful, to take the form of draft treaties); the orga-

nization of meetings on measures to combat counterfeiting and piracy, on the impact of emerging technologies (in particular biotechnology) on the law of intellectual property, and on the possible establishment of an international register of audiovisual works.

As regards the *role of WIPO in the Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations of GATT* (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade), the General Assembly of WIPO agreed that the Director General should accept the invitation extended by GATT to be represented in the meetings of GATT's "Negotiating Group on Trade-related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights, Including Trade in Counterfeit Goods."

As far as the *PCPI (Permanent Committee on Patent Information)* is concerned, it was decided that that Committee would deal, in future, not only with patent documentation and information but also with trademark and industrial design documentation and information. Consequently, the name of the Permanent Committee has been changed to Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI). Measures were decided upon that should enable the heads of patent offices to meet at least once every two years to direct personally the work of the new Permanent Committee.

In the *Registration Unions*, the budget takes into account the expected increase in activities of the International Bureau because of the expected increases in the number of international patent applications and demands for international preliminary examinations under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), in the number of international trademark registrations and renewals under the Madrid Agreement and in the number of international industrial design deposits and renewals under the Hague Agreement.

As regards the *Diplomatic Conference for the adoption of two protocols to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks*, the Assembly of the Madrid Union decided that that Diplomatic Conference would be convened in the first half of 1989 and that a Preparatory Committee would be convened in the second half of 1988.

The Diplomatic Conference is expected to adopt two Protocols: one would modify the Madrid Agreement so as to make it acceptable to at least the four States members of the European Communities which are not members of the Madrid Union (i.e., Denmark, Greece, Ireland and the United Kingdom), whereas the other would establish a link between the Madrid system and the future (European) Community Trade Mark system, enabling the simultaneous use of the two systems.

Contributions. It was decided that a study be carried out concerning the possibility of modifying the present *classes of contributions*, so that the share of the (mainly developing) countries that are paying the least (because they are in Class VII) could become smaller. That study will be prepared by the Director General and will, before

being presented to the Governing Bodies, be submitted to the Budget Committee in 1989.

The International Bureau was authorized to accept payments towards contributions in local currency from developing countries having a non-convertible currency, up to the amount required by WIPO for the payment of local expenses in the country concerned.

New Observers. The Governing Bodies, each as far as it is concerned, accorded *observer status* to the following organizations which had applied for such status in the recent past: Arab Society for the Protection of Industrial Property (ASPIP), European Council of Chemical Manufacturers' Federations (CEFIC), European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries' Associations (EFPIA), International Anticounterfeiting Coalition, Inc. (IACC), International Group of National Associations of Manufacturers of Agrochemical Products (GIFAP), Union of African Journalists (UAJ), World Federation of Advertisers (WFA).

Election of the Members of the WIPO Coordination Committee. The members of the WIPO Coordination Committee were elected. Their mandate commenced on October 1, 1987, and will end on October 4, 1989 (the names of members of the Paris Union Executive Committee are followed by "(P)," the names of members of the Berne Union Executive Committee are followed by "(B)," the names of *ad hoc* members elected by the WIPO Conference are followed by "(W)"; Switzerland is an *ex officio* member): Algeria (P), Argentina (P), Australia (P), Austria (B), Bangladesh (W), Brazil (P), Bulgaria (B), Cameroon (B), Canada (B), Chile (B), China (P), Colombia (W), Côte d'Ivoire (B), Cuba (P), Czechoslovakia (P), Egypt (P), France (P), German Democratic Republic (B), Germany (Federal Republic of) (P), Hungary (P), India (B), Indonesia (P), Italy (B), Jamaica (W), Japan (P), Kenya (P), Mexico (P), Morocco (B), Netherlands (B), Nicaragua (W), Pakistan (B), Philippines (P), Poland (B), Republic of Korea (P), Saudi Arabia (W), Senegal (B), Soviet Union (P), Spain (P), Sweden (B), Switzerland, Syria (P), Turkey (P), United Kingdom (B), United Republic of Tanzania (P), United States of America (P), Uruguay (B), Venezuela (B) (47).

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TRT [Trademark Registration Treaty] Union Assembly

Chairman: ... (Togo). *Vice-Chairmen:* ... (Burkina Faso); I.S. Nayashkov (Soviet Union).

Budapest Union Assembly

Chairman: Gy. Pusztai (Hungary). *Vice-Chairmen:* M. Enäjärvi (Finland); R. de Perio-Santos (Philippines).

Vienna Union Assembly

Chairman: F. Schlessler (Luxembourg). *Vice-Chairmen:* J.-C. Combaldieu (France); M.A.J. Engels (Netherlands).

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News Items

GUINEA-BISSAU

*Head, Department of Industrial Property,
Research and Applied Technology Center*

We have been informed that Mr. José António Nosoliny has been appointed Head of the Department of Industrial Property, Research and Applied Technology Center.

NEPAL

*Director General,
Department of Industries*

We have been informed that Mr. Ram Binod Bhattarai has been appointed Director General of the Department of Industries.

SINGAPORE

Registrar of Trade Marks and Patents

We have been informed that Mr. Ibrahim bin Burhan has been appointed Registrar of Trade Marks and Patents.

Calendar of Meetings

WIPO Meetings

(Not all WIPO meetings are listed. Dates are subject to possible change.)

1988

- February 1 to 5 (Geneva) — Locarno Union: Committee of Experts on the International Classification for Industrial Designs
- February 4 (Geneva) — Hague Union: Users' Meeting
- February 15 to 19 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Working Group on Automation
- March 7 to 11 (Geneva) — Committee of Experts on the Establishment of an International Register of Audiovisual Works
- March 14 to 18 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Working Group on Standardization and Exchange
- March 21 to 28 (Geneva) — International Patent Classification (IPC) Union: Committee of Experts
- April 18 to 22 (Paris) — Committee of Governmental Experts on Photographic Works (convened jointly with Unesco)
- April 18 to 22 (Geneva) — Madrid Union: Assembly (Extraordinary Session)
- April 25 to 28 (Geneva) — Committee of Experts on Measures Against Counterfeiting and Piracy
- May 16 to 20 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee for Development Cooperation Related to Industrial Property
- May 30 to June 10 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Working Group on the International Patent Classification (IPC)
- June 9 and 10 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Ad Hoc Working Group A
- June 13 to 17 (Geneva) — Committee of Experts on the Harmonization of Certain Provisions in Laws for the Protection of Inventions (Fifth Session)
- June 13 to 17 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Executive Coordination Committee; Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) Committee for Technical Cooperation (PCT/CTC)
- June 20 to 24 (Geneva) — Nice Union: Preparatory Working Group
- June 27 to July 1 (Geneva) — Committee of Governmental Experts for the Synthesis of Principles Concerning the Copyright Protection of Various Categories of Works (convened jointly with Unesco)
- September 12 to 16 (Geneva) — International Patent Classification (IPC) Union: Committee of Experts
- September 14 to 16 (Geneva) — WIPO Worldwide Forum on the Impact of Emerging Technologies on the Law of Intellectual Property
- September 22 and 23 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI)
- September 26 to October 3 (Geneva) — Governing Bodies (WIPO Coordination Committee; Executive Committees of the Paris and Berne Unions)
- October 4 to 7 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Working Group on Automation
- October 10 to 14 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Working Group on Standardization and Exchange
- October 24 to 28 (Geneva) — Committee of Experts on Biotechnological Inventions and Industrial Property (Fourth Session)
- November 21 to December 2 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Working Group on the International Patent Classification (IPC)
- November 28 to December 2 (Geneva) — Committee of Experts on Model Provisions for Legislations in the Field of Copyright
- December 5 to 9 (Geneva) — Madrid Union: Preparatory Committee for Diplomatic Conference
- December 12 to 16 (Geneva) — Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Executive Coordination Committee
- December 19 (Geneva) — Information Meeting for Non-Governmental Organizations on Intellectual Property

UPOV Meetings

1988

- February 19 (Geneva) — Council
- April 18 to 21 (Geneva) — Administrative and Legal Committee
- April 22 (Geneva) — Consultative Committee

June 7 to 9 (Edinburgh) — Technical Working Party on Automation and Computer Programs
June 13 to 15 (Wageningen) — Technical Working Party for Vegetables
June 16 and 17 (Wageningen) — Workshop on Variety Examination (for Lettuce)
June 20 to 24 (Melle) — Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees
June 28 to July 1 (Hanover) — Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops, and Subgroups
July 5 to 8 (Surgères) — Technical Working Party for Agricultural Crops
September 27 and 28 (Cambridge) — Workshop on Variety Examination (on Examination Techniques)
October 11 to 14 (Geneva) — Administrative and Legal Committee
October 17 (Geneva) — Consultative Committee
October 18 and 19 (Geneva) — Council
October 20 and 21 (Geneva) — Technical Committee

Other Meetings Concerned with Industrial Property

1988

January 25 to 30 (Strasbourg) — Center for the International Study of Industrial Property (CEIPI): Present Status of European Patent Law and Practice — Seminar on Legal Problems
January 28 and 29 (Lisbon) — The United States Trademark Association (USTA): Forum on “Managing American Trademarks from Abroad”
March 3 and 4 (New York) — The United States Trademark Association (USTA): Forum on “Management of a Corporate Trademark Department”
March 24 (London) — Institute of Trade Mark Agents (ITMA): International Conference on “New Vistas in Trade Marks”
March 29 and 30 (Oxford) — Pharmaceutical Trade Marks Group (PTMG): Annual General Meeting and Conference on Education and Training
April 10 to 15 (Sydney) — International Association for the Protection of Industrial Property (AIPPI): Executive Committee
May 1 to 4 (Phoenix) — The United States Trademark Association (USTA): Annual Meeting
June 27 to July 1 (Cannes) — International Federation of Industrial Property Attorneys (FICPI): World Congress
July 24 to 27 (Washington, D.C.) — International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP): Annual Meeting
September 15 to 18 (Angers) — International League for Competition Law (LIDC): Congress
November 7 to 11 (Buenos Aires) — Inter-American Association of Industrial Property (ASIPI): Congress