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**COMITÉ D'EXPERTS CONCERNANT LA STRUCTURE ADMINISTRATIVE
DE LA COOPÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DANS LE DOMAINE DE LA
PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE**

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NOTE OF THE SECRETARIAT

AMENDMENTS IN THE EXISTING CONVENTIONS AND AGREEMENTS

A. Paris (Lisbon) Convention

- Article 13(1) dealing with Swiss supervision would be omitted since the Assembly (Protocol, Article B) deals with supervision.
- Article 13(2)(a) dealing with the languages of the Secretariat would be omitted since IPO Convention, Article 5(2)(iv) deals with it.
- Article 13(2)(b) dealing with the languages of revision conferences would be maintained: the addition of Russian would be considered by the Stockholm Conference.
- Article 13(3) dealing with the tasks of the Secretariat would be transferred into Article D of the Protocol.
- Article 13(4) dealing with the monthly periodical to be published by the Secretariat would be transferred into Article D of the Protocol.
- Article 13(5) first sentence, dealing with information, would be transferred into Article D of the Protocol.
- Article 13(5) second sentence, dealing with reports, would be omitted as it is dealt with in Protocol, Articles B(1)(2)(v) and C(6)(iv).
- Article 13(6) to (11) dealing with finances would be omitted they are dealt with in Protocol, Article E.
- Article 14(1) and (7) dealing with revisions to be maintained.
- Article 14(3) to be changed: the preparatory work should be in the hands of the Assembly and the Secretariat rather than in the hands of the Host Country and the Secretariat.
- Article 14(4) to be maintained.
- Article 14(5) to be omitted since the Assembly (Protocol, Article B) fulfils these functions.

B. Berne (Brussels) Convention

- Article 21(1) dealing with the Bureau to be omitted as the Secretariat takes its place.
- Article 21(2) dealing with Swiss supervision to be omitted since the Assembly deals with supervision.
- Article 21(3) dealing with language of the Bureau to be omitted since IPO Convention Article 5(2)(iv) deals with this question.
- Article 22(1) dealing with information dealing with the tasks of the Secretariat could be transferred into the Protocol, Article D.
- Article 22(2) dealing with information would be transferred into Article D of the Protocol.
- Article 22(3) dealing with reports would be omitted as it is dealt with in Protocol, Articles B (1)(2)(v) and C(6)(iv).
- Article 23 dealing with finances would be omitted as they are dealt with in Protocol, Article E.
- Article 24 would be maintained except that one would provide that the preparatory work for revision is in the hands of the Assembly and the Secretariat rather than in the hands of the Host Country and the Secretariat.

C. Madrid (Nice) Agreement

- (1) The provisions on the amount of the fees (Article 8(2) to (9) would be omitted since the Protocol deals with the question (see Articles E(5)). The principles of the fee system would remain.
- (2) Art.10(2) to (4) dealing with the Committee of (Madrid) Directors would be omitted since the Assembly of the Madrid Union would take its place.

D. Hague (London and Monaco) Agreement

- (1) The provisions on the amount of the fees (London, Article 15; Monaco, Articles 1 and 2) would be omitted since the Protocol deals with the question (see Article E(5)). The principles of the fee system would remain.
- (2) Article 20 on Regulations would be modified so as to express the idea that the power of making Regulations shall vest in the Assembly of the Hague Union.

E. Nice Union

- (1) Article 5 dealing with finances would be replaced by Article E of the Protocol dealing with the same question.
- (2) Article 8(3) would provide that the Secretariat and the Assembly of the Nice Union rather than the Secretariat and the Host Country would prepare revision conferences.

F. Lisbon Agreement (not yet in force)

Similar principles as referred to above would apply in connection with Articles 7(2) and 9.

NB: When "transfer" of a provision into the Protocol is indicated, what is meant is the transfer of the essence of the provision. The wording might be changed. The name of the "Bureau" would have to be changed in all provisions where it appears. The Regulations would have to be brought into harmony with the modified Agreements.

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In the Draft Resolution (Document 3, pages 38 and 39)

-) change "WIPO" to "IPO,"
-) insert on page 38, line 4, the words "and the Protocols" after the word "(WIPO),"
-) in paragraph (2)(i) replace "General Conference" by "General Assembly," and replace "General Assemblies" by "Assemblies."