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**INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION
OF LITERARY AND ARTISTIC WORKS (BERNE UNION)**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**First Ordinary Session
Geneva, September 21 to 29, 1970**

REPORT

prepared by the Secretariat

Opening of the Session

1. The Executive Committee of the Berne Union (hereinafter called "the Committee") held its first ordinary session at Geneva from September 21 to 28, 1970.
2. Fourteen of the 15 States members of the Committee were represented: Ordinary Members: Canada, France, Germany (Federal Republic), Italy, Romania, Spain, Switzerland, Tunisia, United Kingdom (9); Associate Members: Congo (Democratic Republic), India, Mexico, Philippines, Poland (5). Pakistan, an ordinary member, was not represented.
3. The States and organizations which were represented by observers are shown in the list of participants (document AB/I/INF/5).
4. The session was opened by Mr. Edward Armitage (United Kingdom), Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole (see document AB/I/33, paragraph 5), acting as provisional Chairman of the Committee.

Agenda

5. The agenda was adopted as proposed in document B/EC/I/1.Rev.

Adoption of the Rules of Procedure

6. See document AB/I/33, paragraph 17.

Election of Officers

7. The Committee unanimously endorsed the proposals made by the Nominations Committee (see document AB/I/INF/3) and elected the following officers:

Chairman : Mr. Eugen Ulmer (Germany (Federal Republic))
Vice-Chairmen : Mr. Panait Teoreanu (Romania)
Mr. José-Baudouin Emany (Congo (Democratic Republic))

8. Mr. Vojtech Strnad, Counsellor, Head of the Copyright Division of WIPO, acted as Secretary of the Committee.

Approval of the 1971 Program and Budget of the Berne Union

9. See document AB/I/33, paragraph 103.

Admission of Observers

10. See document AB/I/33, paragraph 47.

Adoption of the Report of the Session

11. This report was unanimously adopted on September 28, 1970.

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