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INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY Conference of Representatives, Executive Committee, First Session

> (Genève, 29 septembre au 1er octobre 1965) (Geneva September 29 to October 1, 1965)

> > REPORT

OPENING OF THE SESSION

- 1. The First Ordinary Session of the Executive Committee of the Conference of Representatives of the International Union for the Protection of Industrial Property (hereinafter "the Committee") was held in Geneva from September 29 to October 1, 1965.
- 2. At the opening of the Session, the Committee had seventeen members. Fourteen of them were represented: Ceylon, Czechoslovakia, France, Federal Republic of Germany, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Morocco, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland (ex officio), United Kingdom, United States of America. Three were not represented: Nigeria, Portugal, Yugoslavia.
- 3. In the course of the Session, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was co-opted as member. It was represented.
- 4. The following States were represented by observers: Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Colombia, Congo (Brazzaville). Denmark, Holy See. Philippines.
- 5. The International Patent Institute was represented by an observer.

- 6. The list of participants is attached to this report.
- 7. The meeting was opened by the Director of BIRPI.

ELECTION OF THE PROVISIONAL CHAIRMAN OF THE SESSION

8. On the proposal of the Director of BIRPI, Mr. FINNISS (France), Chairman of the Conference of Representatives of the Paris Union, was elected provisional Chairman of the Session by acclamation.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

9. The agenda proposed in document CEP/I/1 was unanimously adopted.

ADOPTION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

- 10. THE DIRECTOR OF BIRPI presented the draft Rules of Procedure as contained in document CEP/I/3. He called the attention of the meeting to Article 2(3) containing a proposal for co-opting members.
- 11. The Committee unanimously approved the Rules of Procedure as contained in document CEP/I/3.

ADDRESS BY Mr. FINNISS

12. Mr. FINNISS (France) said that he was soon going to take up his functions as Director-General of the International Patent Institute and wished, therefore, to take his leave as Chairman of the Conference of Representatives. He recalled that, in 1962, the various committees of the various Unions had set a program in motion designed to stimulate the interest of developing countries in industrial property matters and to increase the membership of the Paris Union. In both respects Professor Bodenhausen, Director of BIRPI, had achieved excellent results. Within three years, membership had increased from 51 to 72. Cooperation between East and West had become much closer, thanks mainly to the accession of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the Paris Union. He was looking forward to close cooperation between the International Patent Institute and BIRPI.

ELECTION OF THE OFFICERS OF THE SESSION

- 13. On the proposal of Mr. FINNISS (France), Mr. BRENNER (United States of America) was elected Chairman by acclamation, and Mr. FAJFR (Czechoslovakia) and Mr. MAZARAMBRQZ (Spain), Vice-Chairmen.
- 14. THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. BRENNER, United States of America) recalled the many and important merits of Mr. Finniss in the development of the Paris Union. In the name of the whole Committee, he thanked Mr. Finniss for his untiring services and wished him success in his new functions.

CO-OPTING OF AN ADDITIONAL MEMBER TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 15. The Committee considered document CEP/I/4.
- 16. THE DIRECTOR OF BIRPI proposed that the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics be co-opted as member of the Executive Committee. He stressed the exceptional significance of the recent accession of this country, and expressed the view that the closest possible cooperation with it would be to the advantage both of the Soviet Union and of the other Member States.
- 17. The Director's proposal was supported by the Representatives of Czechoslovakia, the United States of America, France, Italy, the Netherlands, and the Federal Republic of Germany.
- 18. The Committee approved by acclamation the proposal to co-opt the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics as member of the Executive Committee.
- 19. Mr. ARTEMIEV (USSR) said that he was happy to participate, as a full member, in the work of the Committee. His Government appreciated the Committee's decision. He thanked Professor Bodenhausen for his work which had facilitated the accession of his country to the Paris Union.

DRAFT PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF BIRPI FOR 1966 CONCERNING THE PARIS UNION

- 20. THE DIRECTOR OF BIRPI presented document CEP/I/5. He said that he wished to modify the first sentence of paragraph (4) of this document (of which he was the author) to read as follows: "It is planned that, as usual, the draft programs and budgets of all the Unions—including the Paris Union—will be discussed also in the Interunion Coordination Committee, subject, of course, to approval by the Executive Committee of the Paris Union, as far as that Union is concerned."
- 21. After an exchange of views between Mr. Talamo and Mr. De Sanctis, Representatives of Italy, and the Director of BIRPI, the Italian Delegation expressed the wish that this report record the following viewpoint: "The Italian Delegation wished to establish that the principle referred to in paragraph (4) concerned exclusively the relationship between the Interunion Coordination Committee and the Executive Committee of the Paris Union and could not in any case prejudge the relationship of the Interunion Coordination Committee with the other Unions."
- 22. Mr. WINTER (United States of America) proposed that the Committee adopt a resolution requesting the Swiss Government as Supervisory Authority to urge all Member States of the Paris Union which did not yet contribute on the basis of the 900,000 Swiss francs ceiling, to do so.
 - 23. The Committee unanimously approved this proposal.
- 24. The Committee noted, with approval, the contents of document CEP/I/5 and expressed a favourable opinion thereon.

APPROVAL OF THE PRESENT REPORT

25. The present report was adopted unanimously by the Committee in its meeting of October 1, 1965.

CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

- 26. THE DIRECTOR OF BIRPI greeted Mr. Finniss on the occasion of his assuming, that very day, his new duties as Director-General of the International Patent Institute. Mr. Finniss thanked the Director and the Committee, which expressed its good wishes to Mr. Finniss by prolonged applause.
- 27. THE CHAIRMAN thanked the members of the Committee for their cooperation and congratulated them on the fact that all their decisions were unanimous. He expressed the view that the coopting of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics as 18th member of the Committee made the present Session particularly significant as it was certain that this State would make important contributions to the future operations of the Committee.
- 28. THE CHAIRMAN then declared the First Ordinary Session closed.

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