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(SUPPLEMENT)

1. This document is a supplement to document CEP/III/4. Its purpose is to propose that the Council of Europe be admitted as an observer to the Second ordinary session of the Conference of Representatives of the Paris Union.
2. Article 9(3) of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of Representatives provides that it is the Executive Committee that determines which international organizations --other than the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies (which the Director of BIRPI may invite without consulting the Executive Committee)--should be invited to send observers to the sessions of the Conference of Representatives. The Rules of Procedure specify that only those organizations "whose interest and activities are related to the purposes of the Paris Union" may be invited (Article 9(3)).
3. It is proposed that the Council of Europe be invited to send observers to the second ordinary session of the Conference of Representatives, which, among other matters, will discuss the question of the Convention on the International Patent Classification, a Convention whose administration is presently entrusted to the Council of Europe. Consequently, it would be desirable if the Council of Europe could participate in the discussions concerning this Convention.
4. The Executive Committee is requested to express its opinion on the question of this invitation.