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#### CONFIRMATION OF THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY FINANCING WORKING GROUP

Report by the Director of BIRPI

#### SUMMARY

This document suggests that the Executive Committee of the Paris Union confirm the Patent Cooperation Treaty Financing Working Group.

#### Background

1. The Patent Cooperation Treaty Financing Working Group (hereinafter referred to as "the Working Group") is a body which was established in 1968 by a decision of the (then) Executive Committee of the Paris Union "to study, with the Director of BIRPI, the financial repercussions of the "lead period" of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)." Its eight members, elected by the said Executive Committee, are Germany (Federal Republic), Japan, the Netherlands, the Soviet Union, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

#### Suggestions

2. It is suggested that the Working Group be maintained by the Executive Committee of the Paris Union which is to be elected in September 1970.



3. It is further suggested that all States which, according to the proposals contained in document AB/I/11.Rev., would be invited to pledge a higher amount in voluntary contributions than any of the present members of the Working Group should be elected as additional members of the Working Group. This would mean the election of Canada, Italy and France, and would increase the number of the members from 8 to 11. (According to document AB/I/11.Rev., the 11 members are requested to pledge 81% of the total of the voluntary contributions).

4. It is finally suggested that the mandate of the Working Group be redefined as follows: "The Working Group shall study, with the Director General of WIPO, the financial repercussions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty until such time as it enters into force. It shall recommend measures for financing the expenses of the International Bureau connected with the Patent Cooperation Treaty until such entry into force."

5. The Executive Committee of the Paris Union is invited to make the appropriate decisions on the suggestions contained in paragraphs 2 to 4.

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