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WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION CONFERENCE

First Ordinary Session Geneva, September 21 to 29, 1970

REPORT

prepared by the Secretariat

Opening of the Session

- 1. The Conference of WIPO (hereinafter called "the Conference") held its first ordinary session at Geneva from September 21 to 28, 1970.
- 2. The following States, members of the Conference at the opening of the session, were represented: Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Byelorussia, Canada, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany (Federal Republic), Greece, Holy See, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Ivory Coast, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, South Africa, Soviet Union, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States of America, Upper Volta, Yugoslavia (39).
- 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 Conference.

Agenda

5. The agenda was adopted as proposed in document WO/CF/I/1.Rev. and was later completed by a new item, "Headquarters Building."

Adoption of the Rules of Procedure

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

Election of Officers

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

Chairman : Mr. Paulo Cabral De Mello (Brazil)
Vice-Chairmen : Mr. Ivan Ivanov (Bulgaria)
Mr. Walter Stamm (Switzerland)

8. Mr. Claude Masouyé, Senior Counsellor, Head of the External and Public Relations Division of WIPO, acted as Secretary of the Conference.

Adoption of the 1971 to 1973 Budget and Program

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

Fixing of the Amounts of Contributions of States Party to the WIPO Convention not Members of Any of the Unions

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

Consideration, by States Party to the WIPO Convention which are not Members of Any of the Unions, of Questions Concerning the Dates on which Contributions are Due and Participation in the Working Capital Fund of WIPO

11. See document AB/I/33, paragraph 41.

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Admission of Observers

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

Headquarters Building

13. See document AB/I/33, paragraph 110.

Adoption of the Report of the Session

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

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