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DECISIONS OF THE WIPO GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONCERNING THE WORK OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE LAW OF TRADEMARKS, INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS AND GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS (SCT)

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1. The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) General Assembly, at its forty-seventh (22nd ordinary) session, held in Geneva from October 5 to 14, 2015, adopted, *inter alia*, the following decisions (see document A/55/INF/11):

<u>Matters Concerning the Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (SCT):</u>

"The WIPO General Assembly took note of the "Report on the Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications" (document WO/GA/47/7)."

"The WIPO General Assembly directed the Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (SCT) to examine the different systems for protection of geographical indications, within its current mandate and covering all aspects."

<u>Matters Concerning the Convening of a Diplomatic Conference for the Adoption of a Design</u> <u>Law Treaty (DLT):</u>

"The WIPO General Assembly agreed:

That the text of the basic proposal for the Design Law Treaty should be finalized by the SCT at its thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth sessions;

(i) To convene a diplomatic conference for the adoption of a Design Law Treaty at the end of the first half of 2017, only if the discussions on technical assistance and disclosure have been completed during the thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth sessions of the SCT;

(ii) That the text of the basic proposal for the Design Law Treaty should be finalized by the SCT at its thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth sessions;

(iii) That, if a diplomatic conference is convened at the end of the first half of 2017, the date and venue of the diplomatic conference would be decided in a preparatory committee, to be held back-to-back with the thirty-fifth session of the SCT."

2. The SCT is invited to take note of these decisions.

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