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ACCREDITATION OF CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS

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1. Since the publication of document SCT/S2/5 entitled "Accreditation of Certain Organizations," two additional organizations have expressed to the Secretariat their wish to obtain *ad hoc* observer status for the second Special Session of the Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (SCT) on the Report of the Second WIPO Internet Domain Name Process. A document containing the names of the organizations in question is attached as an Annex. The details regarding the organizations contained in the Annex were received from each organization. he

2. *The Special Session of the SCT is invited to approve the accreditation of the organizations referred to in the Annex to this document as *ad hoc* observers for the second Special Session of the SCT on the Report of the Second WIPO Internet Domain Name Process.*

[Annex follows]

ANNEX

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND NON - GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
WHICH HAVE REQUESTED ACCREDITATION AS *AD HOC* OBSERVERS
FOR THE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE SCT
ON THE REPORT OF THE SECOND WIPO INTERNET DOMAIN NAME PROCESS

Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear - Test-Ban Treaty Organization

Research and Academic Computer Network (NASK)

Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear - Test-Ban Treaty Organization

The Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear - Test-Ban Treaty Organization is an intergovernmental international organization with its seat in Vienna, Austria. The Commission was established in New York on November 19, 1996 at a meeting of States Signatories to the Comprehensive Nuclear - Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT), which prohibits nuclear weapon test explosions and other nuclear explosions. The Commission's mandate is to carry out the necessary preparations for the effective implementation of the CTBT and prepare for its entry into force.

The Commission has 165 member States and consists of two main organs: a plenary body composed of all States Signatories and the Provisional Technical Secretariat. The Commission meets in plenary three times a year. It has three subsidiary bodies: Working Group A dealing with budgetary and administrative matters; Working Group B dealing with verification issues; and the Advisory Group, providing support in the areas of finance, budget and administration. The Commission takes decisions on recommendation of its Working Groups.

The principal operational task of the Commission is to set up the International Monitoring System which will verify compliance with the CTBT once it has entered into force. A worldwide network of 337 monitoring stations is being established that will be operated by the States hosting them in cooperation with the Provisional Technical Secretariat. The International Monitoring System is supported by the International Data Centre, which has been established at the Commission's headquarters in order to provide objective data and products to its Member States. The Commission also promotes Treaty signature and ratification and prepares for the first Conference of the States Parties to the CTBT after entry into force of the Treaty.

The budget of the Commission for 2002 is US\$85.1 million. Mr. Wolfgang Hoffmann, a national from Germany, has been the Executive Secretary of the Commission since March 3, 1997. The Provisional Technical Secretariat currently employs 271 staff members from 69 Member States.

The Commission cooperates with several international and regional organizations and has concluded formal relationship agreements with the United Nations, the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Research and Academic Computer Network (NASK)

The Research and Academic Computer Network (NASK) is responsible for the administration of domain names registered in the Polish ccTLD (.PL). It was established as a research and development unit whose mission was to connect the Polish scientific and academic community to the Internet and satisfy its needs in the field of data communications and network security. NASK provides this community and all companies, persons and institutions involved in the creation of the Polish Internet, with a wider range of consulting and opinion-making services.

NASK is primarily active as a member of the Association of Internet Country Code Top Level Domain Registries – CENTR. Furthermore, the representatives of NASK participate actively in the meetings organised by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) as well as in conferences relating to the issues of intellectual property and domain names registration arranged by WIPO.

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