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<u>Re.:</u> C.SCIT 2477/01/03 - Draft reports of the fourth Plenary session and second session of the Working Groups of the Standing Committee on Information Technologies (SCIT)

Dear Deputy Director,

In response to your Circular 2477 I would like to submit the comments of the Austrian Patent Office on the draft reports referred to above.

Document SCIT/WG/2/12 Prov.:

Paragraph 11, last line: Paragraph number "10" should be replaced by "12".

Document SCIT/4/8 Prov.:

Paragraph 10, fourth line: Paragraph number "10" should be replaced by "11".

If my records of the conclusions of the discussion of the closing session were correct, the following amendments in paragraphs 12 and 14 were agreed upon:

Paragraph 12, line 7: after "new projects", the wording "and to apply a review of existing projects" should be inserted after "new projects"

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Paragraph 14, line 5: the wording "planning mechanisms such as" should be deleted.

Paragraph 20, line 4: The document containing the Special Rules of Procedure of the SCIT should be specified as "SCIT/1/7, Annex III, Appendix I, paragraph 4".

Paragraph 41, line 4: Should not the reference to Task 24 be deleted since this task was finalized at the fourth session of the SCIT Plenary?

If the comments with regard to the amendments of paragraphs 12, 14 and 41 are not supported by other delegations, I could agree on the draft reports as prepared by the International Bureau.

With best regards,

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