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SGFS at its Tokyo meeting has reviewed the current activities of its members in the GII area and has received a report from the ITU-T Liaison officer on the joint meeting of the ISO/IEC JTC1/SWG-GII and the ITU-T/JRG-GII that took place in Geneva in June 1996.

SGFS wants to bring the following points to the attention of SWG-GII :

As seen during the Geneva workshop on GII, and in subsequent developments, GII-related work is by essence collaborative between IT, Telecoms, Applications, Cable/Broadcasting etc. It cannot be handled in isolation by any of the bodies involved in each sector. SGFS recommends that the SWG-GII takes every possible measure to encourage this collaboration, and to make it fruitful as quickly as possible. It has been noted that among the bodies that need to collaborate, some are more advanced than others and it is suggested to take advantage of the experience already developed in these places in order to speed the process.

SGFS members have noted that the profiling concept is very well suited to GII developments, where the issue is not only to develop new standards, but mainly to put together various standards coming from different bodies in order to deliver a service that answers a user requirement. SGFS has years of experience with the profiling process, and experience of mixed environments from its involvement in the Applications areas (with multi-TC ISPs) and from its privileged relationship with the Regional Workshops. SGFS would like to establish an active relationship with the JTC1/SWG on GII and has appointed a liaison officer to this effect.

The regional workshops (AOW, EWOS, OIW) that are S-Liaisons with SGFS are involved in GII-related work to various extents. SGFS would be willing to channel the workshops input into the JTC1/SWG on GII through submission of the Workshops Programs of Work and of other relevant documents. It is expected that the RWS-CC (Regional Coordinating Committee among the Regional Workshops) will submit contributions to JTC1/SWG-GII for its next meeting through the SGFS liaison officer.