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Dear Louis

SGFS PROCEDURES

As I indicated to you at the JTC1 meeting in Berlin, I am afraid I will be unable to attend the forthcoming meeting of SGFS in Seoul. In the longer term, I hope to continue to be associated with the SGFS, but this will depend on suitable funding being made available. Under the circumstances, I think it would be appropriate if you could try and find a replacement editor for the SGFS procedures. I can make available the current text (and that of N 758) in either ISO 646 format or in IBM Bookmaster (SGML-like) source to my successor.

On a slightly different note, during the JTC1 SWG-P meeting held in London in May 1993, a timetable for the production of the next version of the JTC1 Directives was agreed. A considerable restructure will take place so that material on a particular topic appears all in the same section as far as possible. As a consequence it has been agreed that the standalone annexes such as Annex C for the SGFS should be folded into the main text. Whilst I have no objection to this in principle, I consider that there is a practical timing problem. SWG-P intends making available a text to National Bodies in December, updating it following the Washington, DC meeting of TC1 in February 1994, and then agreeing the final text out of the JTC1 meeting in Seoul in October 1994. Since that timescale overlaps with the SGFS timetable to produce a re-work of its procedures to be ready for ISPs in the Open Systems Environment (OSE), I have advised the SWG-P that it would be better to wait for the following update cycle of the JTC1 Directives before attempting to fold the SGFS procedures into the main body. I trust SGFS will concur with this view.

I am very glad to have attended the SGFS throughout its formative period and, if I am unable to continue this association, I wish the committee the very best for its transition to the OSE.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Peter Gibbon".

Peter Gibbon