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TO: SC22 National Bodies

SUBJECT: SC22 Secretariat

The September SC22 plenary is rapidly approaching, at which time the commitment for our Secretariat will end.

I regret to say that there are no serious prospects of which I am currently aware. I did hear of a couple of possibilities earlier this year but nothing appears promising at this time.

A Secretariat is absolutely essential for SC22 to continue. According to the JTC 1 Directives, clause 1.4.4.1, Allocation of Secretariat:

"If no NB acceptable to JTC 1 is willing to undertake the Secretariat responsibilities, the SC shall be disbanded."

Interoperability and portability are key requirements for users in today’s information technology environment. All of SC22’s work is directly related to these key user requirements. I am sure that you agree with me that SC22 must not be disbanded.

SC22 cannot operate without a Secretariat. Please investigate once again within your National Bodies whether there may be some way to make this important commitment.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Chairman, SC22

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