

Title: Liaison to SC22 WG11 Concerning Interface Definition Notation

Source: SC21 WG6 RPC Rapporteur Group

SC21 WG6 RPC thanks SC22 WG11 for its efforts in arranging a joint meeting for February 1992. WG6 RPC regrets we it could not attend this meeting. It is not the case we do not see the need for a joint meeting. Rather, there were logistic problems; an insufficient number of RPC experts considered they had the time and / or money to commit to attend the meeting. Had the proposal been for a meeting in a different location or at a different time, the response could well have been positive. Also, the RPC group also understands that some individual RPC experts did attempt to contact ,without success, the CLIDT editor.

WG6 RPC recognises that alignment between its standard and the Common Language Independent standards is desirable. To this end, RPC would welcome comments on specific differences between its model and IDN those in CLIDT and CLIPCM. In particular, the RPC group welcomes comments from SC22 WG11 on its model of procedure calls. During the development of CD 11578, the RPC group has proposed the concepts of procedure closure, procedure body and procedure invocation. Does SC22 WG11 have a definition of procedure closure suitable for inclusion in the RPC standard?

WG6 RPC notes that it did not receive any comments directly from SC22 WG11 on the ballot of its CD text made available in October 1991. However, we do note that several NBs ballot comments do include input from their national SC22 WG11 committees. RPC also notes that in its liaison from its October 1991 rapporteur group meeting, we included our resolution of the IDN issues raised during the Arles meeting. As your liaison does not include a message to the contrary, we assume that all these resolutions are acceptable to SC22.

During our editing meeting in Ottawa, May 1992, we produced the second CD for RPC. This should go for ballot starting on 1st September. The RPC group welcomes comments on this ballot from SC22 WG11. We also intend to hold a rapporteur group meeting in Paris at the same time as your meeting in October. During this time, we hope we can work on aligning our respective texts.