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Dear Dr Plauger,

Regards Synchronisation of ANSI and ISO C Standardisation

The BSI C Panel would like to register its concern with the way that its comments on the proposed draft C standard have been processed. The X3J11 committee have consistently failed to respond to our comments in a satisfactory and timely manner (see attached earlier letter on this matter).

At the meeting of SC22/WG14 held in London on June 13-14, 1988, it was stated that a requirement for a UK Yes vote at the ISO level was a satisfactory response to our comments. We would like it noted that this failure to respond to our comments in a satisfactory manner is likely to lead to the UK voting No in the forthcoming DP ballot at ISO level.

From your status report to SC22 (document N553 dated 14/9/88), it is clear that a further DP ballot will be required at ISO level. To ensure synchronisation between these two standards, we request that X3J11 defer any submission to X3 while an attempt is made to clear the potential UK negative vote and the expressed intention of Denmark to vote No. We make this request in the spirit of the synchronisation policy to which ANSI itself subscribes (see N555 - US X3 SC22 TAG submission on ANSI/ISO synchronisation).

Yours sincerely,

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