

DELEGATION OF USA

Delete the reference to 5 country EOs

Establish a consultative working group to discuss the issue of expanding WIPO's External Offices (EOs) and the methodology and criteria for identifying the need for future WIPO EOs for the 2014/15 biennium and future biennia. The criteria should take into account:

- the different roles and functions of the offices;
- interest expressed by possible host countries;
- regional placement, as well as;
- providing a certain amount of priority to regions not already represented by an existing EO.

The chair of the consultative working group will be X, who will report to the 2013 GA on the progress and recommendations reached during the consultations.