

CHAIR'S PROPOSAL

AGENDA ITEM 9: PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR THE 2018/19 BIENNIUM

Document WO/PBC/27/8

1. *The Program and Budget Committee (PBC) having completed its comprehensive review of the Proposed Program and Budget for the 2018/19 Biennium as contained in document WO/PBC/27/8:*

(i) agreed to:

a) A revised wording to the key performance indicator in Program 15;

b) The modifications to paragraphs 28, 29 and 30 made by Member States. In this context the PBC took note of the opening statement of the Director General delivered at the 27th session of the PBC and the clarifications of the Legal Counsel delivered during the 26th and 27th sessions of the PBC; and,

(ii) requested the Secretariat to issue a revised version of the draft proposed Program and Budget for the 2018/19 biennium based on (i);

(iii) noted that all diplomatic conferences contemplated in the 2018/19 biennium, that may be held under the auspices of WIPO during the 2018/19 biennium and funded by the resources of the Organization will be open to the full participation of all WIPO Member States; and,

(iv) recommended to the Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO and of the Unions, each as far as it is concerned, the approval of the proposed Program and Budget for the 2018/19 Biennium (document WO/PBC/27/8).

2. *The PBC further decided to continue the discussion on the methodology on the allocation of income and expenditure by Unions in future sessions of the PBC based on documents WO/PBC/25/16 Review of Allocation Methodology for the income and budget by Union and WO/PBC/27/13 Submission by the Delegation of the United States of America on agenda item 9: discussion paper on funding alternatives of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and other proposals by Member States.*