7. Further discussions will take place in relation to the protection of pre-broadcast signals under the proposed Treaty.

8. Discussions took place on the protection to be granted to the beneficiaries and delegations exchanged views on various approaches, which will be further examined at the next session of the Committee.

9. Discussions took place on the definitions contained in Article 5. Delegations exchanged views and the definitions will be further examined at the next session of the Committee.

10. The proposals on Articles 5, 6, 7, 9 and 12 discussed during the Session will be included in an Annex to document SCCR/24/10 Corr. and will be discussed further at the next session of the SCCR with the view to integrating them into document SCCR/24/10 Corr. based on a decision by the Committee.

Limitations and exceptions: libraries and archives

11. The Committee considered the “Working document containing comments on and textual suggestions towards an appropriate international legal instrument (in whatever form) on exceptions and limitations for libraries and archives”, document SCCR/26/3, and took note of the modifications made by the Secretariat based on the suggestions made in the 25th session of the SCCR.

12. It was recognized that libraries and archives are vital institutions, which aim to support and develop education and culture by offering well-organized access to works and information sources.

13. The Committee was reminded that the terms of the work program adopted by the 2012 General Assembly recommended that the SCCR continue discussion to work towards an appropriate international legal instrument or instruments (whether model law, joint recommendation, treaty and/or other forms), with the target to submit recommendations on limitations and exceptions for libraries and archives to the General Assembly by the 28th session of the SCCR.

14. Different points of view were expressed with regard to the nature of the appropriate international legal instrument or instruments (whether model law, joint recommendation, treaty and/or other forms) referred to in the 2012 General Assembly mandate to the SCCR for text-based work. With regard to fulfilling that mandate, some Member States also expressed interest in discussing national laws, capacity building, technical assistance, the development of studies, and the exchange of national experiences.

15. The Committee proceeded to discuss the topics in Document SCCR/26/3 in order, using a text-based approach. At this meeting, the Committee discussed Topics 1, 2, and 3, and initiated discussions on Topic 4.

16. The Secretariat was requested to arrange for the update of the Study on Copyright Limitations and Exceptions for Libraries and Archives (document