

GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECISIONS ON LIMITATIONS AND EXCEPTIONS  
FOR PERSONS WITH PRINT DISABILITIES

[DATE]

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PREFACE

(1) The Joint Recommendation Concerning Copyright Exceptions for Persons with Print Disabilities, as adopted by the Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights (SCCR) on [date], was adopted at a joint session of the International Union for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works (Berne Union) Assembly, the WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) Assembly and the General Assembly of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at [date].

(2) The General Assembly, the Assembly of the Berne Union, and the Assembly of the WIPO Copyright Treaty direct the International Bureau during the next three [five] years to undertake [TRAINING, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ON © EXCEPTIONS FOR THE BLIND]

(3) The International Union for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works (Berne Union) Assembly, the WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) Assembly and the General Assembly of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) further mandate the Secretariat during the next three [five] years to monitor and provide detailed reports to the SCCR and the General Assembly at each of their meetings on the following:

- the number of WIPO Member States that have an exception in their national copyright law for the benefit of persons with print disabilities, including in those countries that have obligations under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;
- the number of WIPO Member States that have amended a pre-existing exception in their copyright law for the benefit of persons with print disabilities or made other arrangements so as to make that exception more in keeping with the Joint Recommendation;
- the number and type of works in special formats that have been received by persons with print disabilities in a WIPO member state following exceptions or arrangements in their national legislation;
- the number and type of works in special formats that have been sent to persons with print disabilities in other countries;
- the number and type of works in special formats that have been received by persons with print disabilities in their country from another country;
- the number of WIPO member states that have established authorised entities to serve the needs of persons with print disabilities where they did not exist previously;
- any other statistics that the WIPO Member States consider useful for the monitoring exercise.

(4) At the conclusion of this three [five] years period, if the development of national law exceptions for persons with print disabilities and/or cross-border exchanges of special format

copies remain inadequate to meet the reasonable needs of persons with print disabilities because of legal restrictions, the International Union for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works (Berne Union) Assembly, the WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) Assembly and the General Assembly of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) commit themselves to opening discussions with a view to the convening of a Diplomatic Conference for the purpose of rendering the international legal norms of the Joint Recommendation into a Protocol to the Berne Convention on Exceptions for the Benefit of Persons with Print Disabilities.

Provisions of the Joint Recommendation follow.

### *Joint Recommendation*

The International Union for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works (Berne Union) Assembly, the WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) Assembly and the General Assembly of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO),

*Recalling*.....

*Taking into account*.....

*Bearing in mind*.....

[*Something about establishment of new legal norms in international copyright law*]