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Attention: Mr. Kwakwa

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Dear Mr. Kwakwa,

Thank you for your letter of 24 February, 2005 on accreditation issues.

I am writing to seek clarification of the meaning of "WIPO accredited NGOs" in your letter. Could you please advise whether:

- (a) NGOs which currently have ad hoc observer status will be permitted to attend the April meetings; and
- (b) WIPO will be accepting applications for ad hoc observer status from civil society NGOs that are not currently accredited, and if so, what is the deadline for receipt of applications in order to be processed in time to attend the April meetings?

We would appreciate receiving your response by the close of business on March 2, 2005

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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