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## TECHNICAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES: INFORMATION FROM DEVELOPED COUNTRY MEMBERS

### Addendum

#### Canada

The present document reproduces the updated information on Canada's technical and financial cooperation activities relevant to the implementation of the TRIPS Agreement, which has been received from the Permanent Mission of Canada by means of a communication, dated 6 September 1996.

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Please note that all of the following technical cooperation is conducted under the aegis of WIPO and is ongoing unless stated otherwise. Any funding for specific activities is paid for in part or in full by WIPO.

#### 1. Human Resources

- The Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) provides annual, in-house training of up to four officials in the administration of an industrial property office.
- CIPO is planning to hold annual, two-week in-house formal training courses for officials from developing countries in the management of trademark operations and trademark information services. The first course will be offered in the Spring of 1997.
- CIPO is considering offering a similar formal two-week training course on patents.

#### 2. Assistance in the Preparation of Laws and Regulations

- CIPO has, in the past, provided assistance in the drafting of industrial property regulations. There has been no recent activity in this area.

#### 3. Institution Building

- CIPO provides search and examination of patent applications filed with the African Regional Industrial Property Office (ARIPO).
- CIPO provides state-of-the-art technology searches for developing countries, mainly from Latin America.

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- CIPPO provides copies of specific Canadian patents for developing countries, upon request from WIPO.

4. Other Assistance

- CIPPO officials participate, upon request and on an *ad hoc* basis, in WIPO training missions and symposia, seminars and other conferences.