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REVISION OF DOCUMENT TGP/7: DRAFTER'S KIT FOR TEST GUIDELINES

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The Annex to this document contains a copy of a presentation by the Office of the Union on a revision of document TGP/7: Drafter's Kit for Test Guidelines and the web-based TG Template (in English only) made at the fifty-second session of the Technical Committee, held in Geneva, from March 14 to 16, 2016.

[Annex follows]

REVISION OF DOCUMENT TGP/7: DRAFTER'S KIT FOR TEST GUIDELINES AND
WEB-BASED TG TEMPLATE

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**Revision of document TGP/7:
Drafter's Kit for Test Guidelines**

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Document TC/52/28

- Revision of document TGP/7:
Drafter's Kit for Test Guidelines
- Web-based TG Template

Current version of web-based TG Template

- Used by Leading and Interested Experts for preparation of TWP drafts
- Used by the Office for preparation of TC, TC-EDC drafts and adopted TGs

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Web-based TG Template 2015

- Used for preparation of TWP drafts in test environment
 - Fixing bugs and stabilization of system
- Valuable feedback for improvement
 - Data input and export of Word document more practical and user friendly

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Items for future development

- Addition of hyperlinks in the exported documents to the symbols indicating that a characteristic has explanations;
- Possibility to display large tables in landscape format;
- Provide the comments by the Office of the Union on draft Test Guidelines in the web-based TG Template.

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Timetable – TGs 2016

- Access granted to LEs recently
- Deadlines in agreement with TWP Chairperson modified
- Posting of TGs four weeks prior to TWP sessions maintained

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Version 2

- Features
 - Concurrent translation
 - Creation of individual authorities' TGs:
 - enable members of the Union to use:
 - (a) adopted UPOV Test Guidelines as a basis for the development of individual authorities' test guidelines;
 - (b) the web-based TG Template and database of characteristics to develop individual authorities' test guidelines for which there are no UPOV Test Guidelines; and
 - (c) use individual authorities' test guidelines, developed using the web-based TG Template, as the basis for draft UPOV Test Guidelines.

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Version 2

- Timetable:
 - When Version 1 has proven to be fully functional and stable
 - Not before new biennium starting in 2018
 - Subject to available resources

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Revision of document TGP/7

- TGP/7 needs to be revised in order to reflect introduction of web-based TG Template
- Detailed proposal for revision will be presented to TWPs and TC when Version 1 is fully finalized and stable