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**TO THE ISO MEMBER BODIES**

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**Obligation of P-members to vote on draft (DIS) and final draft (FDIS) International Standards**

Dear Sir or Madam,

By circular letter dated 26 August 1993, we advised you of the decision of the Technical Management Board to implement the provisions of the *ISO/IEC Directives* (subclause 1.7.5 of Part 1, sixth edition) concerning the sanctions to be applied in the case of P-members failing to vote on DIS/FDIS. We provided you with statistical data showing, for each member body, the rate of failure to fulfil their P-member obligation, together with the guidelines approved by the Technical Management Board for the application of that sanction (see Annex 1).

We are now providing you with statistical data showing the voting performance of member bodies for 2007 (see annex 2). These data will be used for the application of subclause 1.7.5 of the *ISO/IEC Directives* in 2008 on the basis of the above-mentioned guidelines.

We would take this opportunity to congratulate those member bodies that have been able to achieve significant improvements in their voting performance during 2007. At the same time, improvement is still required by many member bodies and we need to stress that there will be no right of appeal once a member body has had its status changed in a committee from P- to O-membership.

**We would ask you to note that the Central Secretariat sends reminders to P-members of their obligation to vote on DIS and FDIS prior to the closure of the ballots.** We strongly recommend that the member bodies themselves verify that they have voted in cases in which, as a P-member, they are under the obligation to vote and to contact the Central Secretariat (votes@iso.org) in case of any difficulties to cast a vote.

Yours faithfully,

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Kevin McKinley

Deputy Secretary-General

Enclosures



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## TO THE ISO MEMBER BODIES

Dear Sir or Madam,

**Obligation of P-members to vote on draft International Standards**

In September 1992, the Central Secretariat instituted a system of reminding P-members of their obligation to vote on draft International Standards and drawing attention to the sanction in Part 1 of the ISO/IEC Directives (subclause 1.7.6) which provides for automatic relegation to O-membership in case of failure to vote and in the absence of a satisfactory response to the reminder.

Statistical data on the voting performance of member bodies holding P-memberships was presented to the Technical Board at its March 1993 when the Central Secretariat was asked to develop guidelines for the systematic implementation of subclause 1.7.6 of Part 1 of the ISO/IEC Directives. These guidelines have now been approved and are reproduced below.

It should be noted that the guidelines provide different levels of sanction, depending on the global voting record of member bodies holding P-membership. The voting records of all member bodies holding P-membership for the period 1 September 1992 to 30 June 1993 are enclosed at annex 1.

The approved guidelines are as follows:

1. P-members failing to vote in less than 10 % of cases:

The member bodies concerned shall receive the automatic reminder of their obligation to vote whenever they fail to vote on a DIS, but no sanction will be applied.

2. P-members failing to vote in more than 10%, but less than 25 % of cases:

Member bodies concerned shall receive the automatic reminder of their obligation to vote whenever they fail to vote on a DIS, and shall automatically have their status changed to O-member in the committee concerned in the absence of adequate justification of the failure to vote and an undertaking to fulfil their obligation to vote on future DIS issued by that committee.

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3. P-members failing to vote in more than 25 % of cases:

Member bodies concerned shall receive the automatic reminder of their obligation to vote whenever they fail to vote on a DIS, and shall automatically have their status changed to O-member in the committee concerned in the absence of adequate justification of the failure to vote and an undertaking to fulfil their obligation to vote on future DIS issued by that committee. Additionally, such P-members shall automatically have their status changed to O-membership should they fail to vote on any future DIS from that committee within the succeeding 12 months.

Member bodies are invited to review their internal procedures to ensure that they are able to fulfil their P-member obligations and, in order to allow time for such reviews to be carried out, the Central Secretariat will defer implementation of the above provisions until **1 November 1993**. As from that date, subclause 1.7.6 of the Directives will be applied systematically. The voting performance of member bodies will be reviewed and new data, corresponding to annex 1, will be distributed annually.

It should also be noted that the Technical Board also requested systematic implementation of subclause 1.7.5 of Part 1 of the ISO/IEC Directives and the circular letter at annex 2 is being distributed to ISO/TC/SC secretaries.

Yours faithfully,

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Christian J. Favre  
Deputy Secretary-General

Enclosures

**P-member voting failure on DIS and FDIS**  
**Period : 2007-01-01 to 2007-12-31**

Member	Country	Possible	Received	Missing	Percentage
ABNT	Brazil	477	476	1	0.21 %
AENOR	Spain	979	962	17	1.74 %
AFNOR	France	1424	1423	1	0.07 %
ANSI	USA	1370	1267	103	7.52 %
ASRO	Romania	162	127	35	21.60 %
AZSTAND	Azerbaijan	115	14	111	87.83 %
BDS	Bulgaria	89	81	8	8.99 %
BELST	Belarus	69	67	2	2.90 %
BIS	India	652	623	29	4.45 %
BNSI	Barbados	11	11	0	0.00 %
BOBS	Botswana	4	4	0	0.00 %
BPS	Philippines	128	126	2	1.56 %
BSI	United Kingdom	1495	1494	1	0.07 %
BSJ	Jamaica	79	50	29	36.71 %
BSMD	Bahrain	1	0	1	100.00 %
BSN	Indonesia	100	97	3	3.00 %
CNI	Czech Republic	760	757	3	0.39 %
CODINORM	Côte-d'Ivoire	48	1	47	97.92 %
COPANIT	Panama	3	0	3	100.00 %
COSQC	Iraq	19	16	3	15.79 %
CSK	Korea, Dem. P. Rep. of	14	11	3	21.43 %
CYS	Cyprus	54	2	52	96.30 %
DGN	Mexico	56	40	16	28.57 %
DGSM	Oman	13	6	7	53.85 %
DIN	Germany	1442	1440	2	0.14 %
DS	Denmark	549	464	85	15.48 %
DSM	Malaysia	412	408	4	0.97 %
DSSU	Ukraine	250	250	0	0.00 %
ELOT	Greece	39	19	20	51.28 %

**P-member voting failure on DIS and FDIS**  
**Period : 2007-01-01 to 2007-12-31**

Member	Country	Possible	Received	Missing	Percentage
EOS	Egypt	109	96	13	11.93 %
ESMA	United Arab Emirates	8	0	8	100.00 %
FONDONOR	Venezuela	103	21	82	79.61 %
FTSQCO	Fiji	8	7	1	12.50 %
GOST R	Russian Federation	1102	1099	3	0.27 %
GSB	Ghana	10	8	2	20.00 %
HZN	Croatia	7	7	0	0.00 %
IANOR	Algeria	37	0	37	100.00 %
ICONTEC	Colombia	107	105	2	1.87 %
INDECOPI	Peru	5	4	1	20.00 %
INEN	Ecuador	62	46	16	25.81 %
INN	Chile	31	31	0	0.00 %
INNORPI	Tunisia	11	10	1	9.09 %
INTECO	Costa Rica	15	15	0	0.00 %
IPQ	Portugal	356	344	12	3.37 %
IRAM	Argentina	174	174	0	0.00 %
ISIRI	Iran, Islamic Republic of	498	339	159	31.93 %
ISRM	The former Yugoslav	1	1	0	0.00 %
ISS	Serbia	103	103	0	0.00 %
IST	Iceland	2	1	1	50.00 %
JISC	Japan	1358	1356	2	0.15 %
JISM	Jordan	17	17	0	0.00 %
KATS	Korea, Republic of	1330	1320	10	0.75 %
KAZMEMST	Kazakhstan	151	65	86	56.95 %
KEBS	Kenya	336	336	0	0.00 %
KOWSMD	Kuwait	1	0	1	100.00 %
LIBNOR	Lebanon	9	1	8	88.89 %
LNCSM	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	14	9	5	35.71 %
MASM	Mongolia	32	11	21	65.63 %

**P-member voting failure on DIS and FDIS**  
**Period : 2007-01-01 to 2007-12-31**

Member	Country	Possible	Received	Missing	Percentage
MSA	Malta	59	58	1	1.69 %
MSB	Mauritius	15	12	3	20.00 %
MSZT	Hungary	233	228	5	2.15 %
NBN	Belgium	1044	818	226	21.65 %
NC	Cuba	45	40	5	11.11 %
NEN	Netherlands	1196	1175	21	1.76 %
NSAI	Ireland	313	313	0	0.00 %
ON	Austria	693	690	3	0.43 %
PKN	Poland	484	483	1	0.21 %
PSQCA	Pakistan	55	2	53	96.36 %
QS	Qatar	11	8	3	27.27 %
QSAE	Ethiopia	3	0	3	100.00 %
SA	Australia	884	880	4	0.45 %
SABS	South Africa	725	725	0	0.00 %
SAC	China	1261	1148	113	8.96 %
SARM	Armenia	2	2	0	0.00 %
SASO	Saudi Arabia	134	111	23	17.16 %
SAZ	Zimbabwe	27	27	0	0.00 %
SCC	Canada	903	903	0	0.00 %
SEE	Luxembourg	15	14	1	6.67 %
SFS	Finland	770	756	14	1.82 %
SII	Israel	151	150	1	0.66 %
SIS	Sweden	1011	1010	1	0.10 %
SIST	Slovenia	131	81	40	38.17 %
SLBS	Saint Lucia	6	6	0	0.00 %
SLSI	Sri Lanka	100	89	11	11.00 %
SN	Norway	638	638	0	0.00 %
SNIMA	Morocco	32	31	1	3.13 %
SNV	Switzerland	831	800	31	3.73 %

**P-member voting failure on DIS and FDIS**  
**Period : 2007-01-01 to 2007-12-31**

Member	Country	Possible	Received	Missing	Percentage
SNZ	New Zealand	389	387	2	0.51 %
SON	Nigeria	83	51	32	38.55 %
SPRING S	Singapore	152	139	13	8.55 %
SSMO	Sudan	1	0	1	100.00 %
SUTN	Slovakia	90	88	2	2.22 %
TBS	Tanzania, United Rep. of	1	0	1	100.00 %
TCVN	Viet Nam	7	6	1	14.29 %
TISI	Thailand	222	215	7	3.15 %
TSE	Turkey	286	170	126	40.56 %
TTBS	Trinidad and Tobago	95	76	19	20.00 %
UNI	Italy	1296	1253	43	3.32 %
UNIT	Uruguay	76	52	24	31.58 %
UZSTANDA	Uzbekistan	2	0	2	100.00 %