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Honorable Director General, Mr. Daren Tang, Distinguished Delegates and Colleagues.

On behalf of the Delegation of the Republic of Armenia I would like to thank you, Mr. Director General, Chair and the Vice Chairs of the General Assembly, the Secretariat for your efforts to convene the 63rd Series of Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO. Let me express our appreciation for ensuring full operability of the Organization in these circumstances.

The Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Armenia would like to extend gratitude to WIPO for active cooperation during these years. Recently, the Government of the Republic of Armenia has approved 11 sub-legislative acts deriving from the 2 new Laws developed with WIPO support that came into force since July 2nd, 2021.

Republic of Armenia has recently ratified the Marrakesh and Beijing treaties. On June 1, 2022, Armenia deposited the instrument of accession to the Marrakesh Treaty. The provisions of the Marrakesh Treaty on the features of the use of works by visually impaired or otherwise print disabled people are included in the Draft Law of the Republic of Armenia on Copyright and Related Rights that has been submitted to the Government of Armenia.

According to the arrangement with the WIPO Director General Mr. Daren Tang, IP sector development long-term strategy is being developed by AIPO with the support of WIPO expert group. Drafting of a new strategy on intellectual property sector development is included in the 2022-2026 program of the Government of the Republic of Armenia. The WIPO expert group has already run interviews with all the corresponding Governmental bodies of the Republic of Armenia. The long-term strategy will soon be submitted to the Government of Armenia.

A number of joint events with WIPO have been organized throughout many years. The spread of Covid-19 pandemic stopped the organizational activities of many events planned jointly with WIPO, but we are full of hope that we will be able to proceed with all the delayed events supported by WIPO in the near future.

Let me reaffirm our commitment to the further continuation of the cooperation with WIPO to contribute to the IP development in the upcoming years.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.