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1. The PSDO Agreement between ISO/IEC and the IEEE

At its Montreux meeting in November 2008, WG1 discussed the role of the PSDO Agreement as a part of its review of ISO/IEC TR 8802-1:2000. Specifically the use within the PSDO Agreement of the ISO/IEC FDIS Fast track process to introduce existing work from the IEEE 802 LMSC to ISO/IEC has been reviewed.

Indeed WG1 has noted that the ITTF expressed wish in 6N13716 that, "It is indeed expected that the usual DIS fast-track process become the exception and that the "normal" process will be FDIS fast-track."

The FDIS Fast track process differs from the DIS Fast Track process in that it is a simple Yes/No ballot where technical comment is not permitted.

It is the belief of WG1 that such a procedure would serve neither the interests of the IEEE 802 LMSC nor those of WG1 in the progression of IEEE 802 LMSC work within ISO/IEC.

WG1 has noted that over at least 15 years the existing DIS Fast track process has worked well and allowed technical comments to be exchanged between WG1 and the relevant IEEE 802 Working Group. Indeed the DIS Fast track process has been the cornerstone of the cooperation between our organisations.

WG1 therefore invites the IEEE 802 LMSC actively to support the continued and exclusive use of the DIS fast-track process so that a consistent message may be heard as we seek to make the PSDO Agreement work for our mutual benefit.

2. Category A Liaison

At its Montreux meeting in November 2008, WG1 discussed the opportunity and benefits for the IEEE-SA to become a Category A Liaison to SC 6.

WG1 believes such an approach would have considerable benefit to the collaboration between IEEE-SA and SC6.

On this basis WG1 encourages the IEEE 802 LMSC to raise this matter with the IEEE-SA for their consideration and to seek such an arrangement.