## Protocol to the Statutes of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology on the Seat of the Centre

THE MEMBER STATES OF THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR GENETIC ENGINEERING AND BIOTECHNOLOGY, BEING PARTIES TO THE PRESENT STATUTES

<u>Desiring</u> to increase the number of locations of the Seat of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology,

HAVE AGREED to adopt this Protocol as follows:

- 1. The Seat of the Centre in the meaning of paragraph 2 of Article 1 of the Statutes of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, adopted on 13 September, 1983 at Madrid (hereinafter referred to as the "Statutes") shall be at Trieste (Italy), New Delhi (India) and Cape Town (South Africa).
- 2. Upon adoption of this Protocol, the Secretary-General of the United Nations shall notify the Protocol to all Member States of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology. If within a period of six months from the notification by the Secretary-General of the adoption of the Protocol, no Member State objects to it, the Protocol will be considered accepted and will enter into force automatically for all Parties to the Statutes.
- 3. After the adoption of this Protocol, if a State deposits an instrument of ratification, acceptance or accession with respect to the Statutes while the procedure laid down in paragraph 2 above is in progress, no additional time shall be provided to that State to object to the Protocol. The Protocol will enter into force for such a State six months after the date of notification of the Protocol by the Secretary-General, but not before the Statutes enter into force for such a State, in which case the Protocol will enter into force for that State on the same date as the Statutes.
- 4. Following the entry into force of this Protocol, all Parties to the Statutes shall be bound by this Protocol. The Protocol shall enter into force for such States on the same date as the Statutes.
- 5. The provisions of this Protocol and the Statutes shall be interpreted and applied together as a single instrument.
- 6. The Board of Governors of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology shall have the discretion to establish its Seat at such additional locations as considered necessary. Such decisions shall be made by consensus.

