

**ISO/IEC JTC 1
Information Technology**

Document Type: Summary of Voting

Document Title: Summary of Voting on JTC 1 N 9670, Letter Ballot on Recommendation 12 of the July 2009 SWG-D Meeting in Berlin Concerning SWG-Accessibility Issues

Document Source: JTC 1 Secretary

Reference: As per the results of this ballot, this text will be added to the JTC 1 Supplement and forwarded to the ISO and IEC JDMT for inclusion in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1. The SWG-D Directives is instructed to include this text in the JTC 1 Supplement and consider the comments received.

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Result of voting

Ballot Information:

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Ballot type:	CIB
Ballot title:	Letter Ballot on Recommendation 12 of the July 2009 SWG-D Meeting in Berlin Concerning SWG-Accessibility Issues
Opening date:	2009-08-20
Closing date:	2009-10-18
Note:	

Member responses:

Votes cast (31)	Australia (SA) Belgium (NBN) Canada (SCC) China (SAC) Côte d'Ivoire (CODINORM) Czech Republic (UNMZ) Denmark (DS) Ecuador (INEN) Finland (SFS) France (AFNOR) Germany (DIN) India (BIS) Ireland (NSAI) Italy (UNI) Jamaica (BSJ) Japan (JISC) Kazakhstan (KAZMEMST) Korea, Republic of (KATS) Luxembourg (ILNAS) Malta (MSA) Netherlands (NEN) New Zealand (SNZ) Norway (SN) Singapore (SPRING SG) Slovenia (SIST) South Africa (SABS) Spain (AENOR) Sweden (SIS) Switzerland (SNV) United Kingdom (BSI) USA (ANSI)
Comments submitted (1)	Portugal (IPQ)
Votes not cast (11)	Algeria (IANOR)

Armenia (SARM)
Azerbaijan (AZSTAND)
Kenya (KEBS)
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (LNCSM)
Malaysia (DSM)
Nigeria (SON)
Pakistan (PSQCA)
United Arab Emirates (ESMA)
Uruguay (UNIT)
Venezuela (FONDONORMA)

Questions:

Q.1	"We approve the text contained in document JTC 1 N9670 for inclusion in the JTC 1 Supplement"
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Answers to Q.1: "We approve the text contained in document JTC 1 N9670 for inclusion in the JTC 1 Supplement"

19 x	yes	Canada (SCC) China (SAC) Ecuador (INEN) France (AFNOR) Germany (DIN) India (BIS) Ireland (NSAI) Italy (UNI) Jamaica (BSJ) Japan (JISC) Korea, Republic of (KATS) Luxembourg (ILNAS) Netherlands (NEN) New Zealand (SNZ) Norway (SN) Singapore (SPRING SG) Slovenia (SIST) South Africa (SABS) United Kingdom (BSI)
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2 x	no	Australia (SA) USA (ANSI)

Comments from Voters

Member:	Comment:	Date:
Australia (SA)	<i>Comment File</i>	2009-09-01 08:08:55
CommentFiles/Australia(SA).rtf		
Canada (SCC)	<i>Comment File</i>	2009-09-21 14:15:17
CommentFiles/Canada(SCC).doc		
USA (ANSI)	<i>Comment</i>	2009-10-16 17:19:57
<p>"The US understands and supports the SWG-Accessibility desire to determine the accessibility features of proposed meeting places; however, the US does not approve the inclusion of the proposed language asking to "verify access means to facilities" as it could be interpreted to require some level of accessibility in order to host a meeting, as opposed to a simple request to provide information about accessibility. Further, specific functionality ("availability of lifts or ramps" and "accessible public transport") are particularly called out without definition, but implying that this functionality must be provided. For the avoidance of doubt, the US would like the words to reflect only the desire to provide information and not set policy on meeting requirements."</p>		

Comments from Commenters		
Member:	Comment:	Date:
Portugal (IPQ)	<i>Comment</i>	2009-10-16 16:19:29
Abstention		

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AU	all	“Meeting organizers are advised to verify access means to meeting facilities. This includes availability of lifts or ramps at the meeting location as well as accessible public transport to the meeting facilities.”	GE	The language used to convey the meaning should be unambiguous. Some people report being confused by this language.	Suggest change to: “Meeting organizers are advised to verify accessibility of meeting facilities, in particular for wheelchair access. This includes the building and rooms used for the meetings, at least one nearby hotel, and public transport between that hotel and the meeting rooms.”	
CA1	2.3		te	In a submission to SWG Directives in Berlin, July 2009, SWG Accessibility requested that the following wording be placed in the Standing Document on Meetings.	2.3 Additional guidance Meeting organizers are advised to verify access means to meeting facilities. This includes the availability of lifts or ramps at the meeting location as well as	

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				<p>SWG Directives saw the merit of this and decided to request that the ISO/IEC Joint Directives Maintenance Team place this wording into the ISO/IEC directives. In doing this, the wording was not placed in SD Meetings section.</p> <p>Canada agrees completely that this issue is important enough that the wording should go into the ISO/IEC directives. Given that the current approach of SWG Directives does not include the addition of new language, this wording will not be included until after the supplement has been completed. There is a significant concern that the wording will be lost entirely if JDMT does not include it. Canada therefore asks JTC 1 to resolve to include the above wording in SD Meetings section until such time as it is included in the ISO/IEC Directives.</p>	accessible public transports to the meeting facilities.	

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