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## **Proposed French National Body Contribution on the management of Ballot Resolution Groups in JTC1 Directives, completes and replaces 8957**

The French National Body has the following comments on JTC1 N8735, UK National Body contribution on the management of Ballot Resolution Groups in JTC1 Directives.

The French National Body considers that the contribution aims at facilitating the holding of Resolution Meetings (BRMs). Unfortunately, The French National Body thinks that the proposed contribution and changes do not solve the current difficulties met in the exercise of BRM. Furthermore,

when dealing with the composition of the attendance of the BRM, it rather introduces modifications that do not fit with some basic principles of the Directives, as the rights and status of P-Members and tend to restrict them.

1) Proposed clause 2.6.x, general comment: The term Ballot Resolution Group is misleading because the usage is to speak of a Ballot Resolution Meeting. A BRM is attended by a group of persons but this does not infer the need for defining a Ballot Resolution Group. More over, this Group of person is created and disappear with the need for a BRM to be held. The French National Body would prefer to stick to the terminology of Ballot Resolution Meetings and does not support the introduction of the BRG (Ballot Resolution Group) terminology.

2) Proposed clause 2.6.x.2: The French National Body does not support this clause because a P-Member stays a P-Member and keeps its rights and capacities even if he abstained on a vote. Please refer to JTC 1 Directives § 9.6

3) Proposed clause 2.6.x.4: in the documents that have to be considered during the BRM are mentioned:

"Other documents circulated by the secretariat of the establishing body that the BRG chairman considers can help the group complete its task."

The French National Body questions the relevance of introducing new documents that would not have been known and considered by the ISO, IEC and JTC 1 membership whose vote led to the BRM. So The French National Body does not support this clause. The French National Body wishes to concur with UK that JTC 1 Directives have to be followed and is not in favour of considering any document that would substantially differ from the one that was voted in such a way that a BRM took place.

This point is related to clause 2.6.x.3 that reminds that votes have to take place according to JTC 1 procedures

4) Participation to BRM : French National Body considers that all ISO and IEC NB's could attend BRMs.

5) Voting rights should reflect ISO/IEC members 's voting rights.