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Gesendet: Freitag, 1. August 2014 20:17
An: Jacobi, Axel
Cc: Pakuscher, Irene; Karcher, Johannes; Tracey Webb
Betreff: RE: German view / UPC9 post meeting for DE

Axel,

Thank you - to avoid doubt this is simply a set of working assumptions to allow estimation. It is not intended nor does it have any validity beyond that. Other working groups will undoubtedly change the assumptions notably on pay and all decisions rest with the Preparatory Committee.

As ever thanks for your help and the very prompt reply and we will take your comments on board

Thanks again,

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Subject: AW: German view / UPC9 post meeting for DE

Dear Ian,

after thorough considerations and discussions with my colleagues in the Ministry, I can now give you the long awaited German feedback to your most recent Excel-Sheet for the costs of the Unified Patent Court ("UPC9 post meeting for DE", July 23, 2014): Your current prognosis and the underlying assumptions appear acceptable and I suggest that you should get them out to the group for a response in early September.

However, I would like to underline, that my email should not be regarded as a legally binding financial commitment of the Federal Republic of Germany, as I have neither the clearance of the Budget Team of my Ministry nor of the Federal Ministry of Finance. As you know so well, the relevant final decisions will not be made by the Preparatory Committee, but rather by the Budget Committee respectively the Administrative Committee. Therefore, three quarters of the Contracting Member States will have to be convinced and it is in this context, that Germany will also decide on its commitment. In any case, the whole package has to be acceptable in the end and lead to a balanced budget as soon as possible.

Since we are all engaged in a work in progress, I expect, that further changes in the underlying assumptions will be necessary and lead to changes of the prognosis.

Before sending the Paper to the group you might want to add the costs for the interpretation service for the UPC-committees-meetings (43.200 € / year). You can find the basis for this estimate in our paper from March 12, 2014.

Best regards,

Axel

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Dear Axel,

Thank you for all your comments.

I attach what I think the current position is, amending the final website figure, the admin support and corporate events as we discussed. I have put the fees down to 0 so that no income comes through to confuse the issue.

I had one final query - the original paper said costs of the Mediation Centre are estimated with 215.000 € a year. These include the expenses of 131.000 € for 1 chief (higher assignment) of the Centre, 2 employees and 2 negotiators (lower assignment, each). They also comprise the costs for running the Centre of 84.000 €. I have assumed this is both the mediation and arbitration (Art 35 says A patent mediation and arbitration centre ("the Centre") is hereby established. It shall have its seats in Ljubljana and Lisbon.) No one on the group has queried it but if it is only mediation we have to double it.

If that is the case I would like to get it out to the group for a response in early September (it has been over a month since the meeting) so I would appreciate it if we could agree this by 4 August at the latest?

Thanks again for all your hard work,

Ian