PUBLIC HEARING ON PRIVATE COPYING LEVIES

27 May 2008 at CENTRE BORCHETTE, Room 0A, Brussels

1. 9.00-9.30

Presidency Welcome: Biserka Strel, Director, Slovenian Intellectual Property Office

Opening Remarks: Charlie McCreevy, Commissioner for the Internal Market and Services

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2. 9.30-11.00

PANEL 1: Role and impact of private copying levies in the digital environment

Jacques Toubon, Member of European Parliament

Sharon Bowles, Member of European Parliament

Piia-Noora Kauppi, Member of European Parliament

Thierry Desurmont, Director General SDRM and Vice President SACEM

Mark MacGann, Director General, EICTA

Marco Pierani, Chief of the Public Affairs Office, Altroconsumo, BEUC

Moderator: Margot Fröhlinger, Director, European Commission

3. 11.00-11.30

COFFEE BREAK

4. 11.30-13.00

PANEL 2: Member States' experience with private copying levies

Mélanie Guerreiro, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Belgium

Toomas Seppel, Ministry of Culture, Estonia

Olivier Henrard, Member of the Private Office, Minister for Culture, France

Irene Pakuscher, Ministry of Justice, Germany

Ton Heukels, Ministry of Justice, the Netherlands

Pedro Colmenares, Ministry of Culture, Spain

Moderator: David Baervoets, Copyright Unit, European Commission

5. 13.00-15.00

LUNCH BREAK

6. 15.00-16.30

PANEL 3: Private copying levies – what direction should future policy take?

Isabelle Feldman, Legal Affairs Director, ADAMI

Idzard van der Puyl, General Secretary, Procirep

Kelvin Smits, Younison

Joseph V. Gote, International Counsel, Imation

Ilkka Rahnasto, Vice President of IPR, Nokia

Irena Bednarich, Government Affairs Manager, Hewlett Packard

Moderator: Tilman Lüder, Head of Copyright Unit, European Commission

7. 16.30-17.00

Concluding remarks

Points of convergence: Martin Power, Head of Cabinet of Commissioner McCreevy