Item 4.2 of the provisional agenda

Amendment to the Draft Programme and Budget for 2006-2007 (33 C/5)

Submitted by: ITALY

Part II.A – Major Programmes, Projects relating to cross-cutting themes

Major Programme V – Communication and Information
Programme V.1 – Empowering people through access to information and knowledge with special emphasis on freedom of expression
Subprogramme V.1.1 – Creating an enabling environment for the promotion of freedom of expression and universal access

Resolution (33 C/5 para. No.): 05110

Budgetary implications indicated by the sponsor: –
Source of financing proposed by the sponsor: –

Proposed modification, deletion or addition:

Paragraph 05110:

Authorizes the Director-General:

(a) …
(b) …

* This proposal was received by the Secretariat on 18 August 2005.
Add:

**Requests** the Member States

(a) to foster through the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) dissemination of the principles of open access;

(b) to foster dissemination of the principles of open access, particularly in universities;

(c) to promote developing countries’ open access to archives for the sake of spreading scientific know-how;

**Invites** the Director-General

(a) to assess the feasibility of creating a database on existing open access initiatives worldwide and to report at the forthcoming sessions of the Executive Board and the General Conference on the progress of open access strategies throughout the world;

(b) to promote a network of national working groups with a view to fostering open access in their universities, to cooperate internationally in initiatives and projects on the subject of open access, and to promote the training of experts for cooperation in the publication of and open access to texts free of charge.