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Amendment to the Draft Programme and Budget for 2008-2009 (34 C/5 2nd version)

Submitted by **INDIA**

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Part II.A – Programmes:

Major Programme:	V – COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SECTOR
Resolution No.:	05000
Biennial sectoral priority	1 Fostering free, independent and pluralistic communication and universal access to information
Paragraph:	(a)(i)
Budgetary implications indicated by the sponsor:	None
Source of financing proposed by the sponsor:	–

Proposed modification:

- (i) promoting an enabling environment for freedom of expression and freedom of information, and to that end: play a more proactive role at WIPO discussions on the Treaty for Protection of Rights of Broadcasting Organizations to ensure that the objectives of promotion of freedom of expression and access to information and knowledge are not hindered; provide advisory services for the establishment of internationally recognized standards in this regard; sensitize governments and public institutions to freedom of information and access to public information as components for good governance; promote the defence of freedom of the press as a fundamental human right, through the celebration of the World Press Freedom Day, the award of the UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize, the protection of the rights of media and information professionals, as well as monitoring activities; support the development of editorially independent public service broadcasting accountability and ethical and professional standards in journalism;

* This proposal was received by the Secretariat on 31 August 2007.

Explanatory note:

The Indian resolution in the 33rd General Conference for a proactive role by UNESCO at WIPO discussions to ensure that the objectives of freedom of expression and universal access to information and knowledge are not hindered by the provisions of the Treaty for Protection of Rights of Broadcasting Organizations. It was feared that the discussions at WIPO may confine it within the limits of intellectual property rights while the issue needs to be discussed in a much wider spectrum. UNESCO with its wide mandate including on communication and information was requested to play a proactive role at WIPO discussions to ensure that the goal of free information and access to knowledge are not affected adversely. We may reiterate in the 34th General Conference for UNESCO to continue playing a proactive role in this regard.