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Resolution of the Executive Committee, Turin, Italy 31 March to 4 April 2019

“Online Filing Systems”

FICPI, the International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys, broadly representative of the free profession throughout the world, assembled at its Executive Committee held in Turin, Italy, 31 March to 4 April 2019, passed the following Resolution:

Noting that the use of online filing systems to interact with IP offices is the predominant way of working for IP attorneys,

Urges IP offices to ensure that in addition to reliable, properly tested and adequately supported online filing systems, suitable alternative and backup filing methods are available at all times,

Further urges procedural and legal safeguards for users in case of problems with the online filing systems to prevent failure to meet a deadline or other loss of right, and

Encourages IP offices to communicate promptly and clearly with users when there are issues with the online filing systems, and to keep a public record of such issues.