

**Minutes of the PatCom Executive Council Meeting held at Munich
March 3, 2005 – 19:15 pm**

Present:

Pierre Buffet – EC Member
Gert Frackenpohl – Hon Treasurer
Rob Willows – EC Member
Prof. Dr. Georg Schultheiss – Hon Secretary

Apologies:

Ann Chapman – EC Member
Willem Geert Lagemaat – President
(cancelled flight)

1. Approval of the Agenda

The proposed agenda was approved unanimously.

GF mentions that there is no necessity for the discussion of financial issues this time.

2. Approval of the minutes of the Geneva ExCo-Meeting

The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. EPO-PatCom Meeting, Munich, March 4, 2005

Although WL announced to arrive next morning in Munich it was decided as “Plan B” that GF shall take the lead of the PatCom team in case the flight is cancelled again. The agenda of the meeting has been checked and the remarks prepared by RW and GS were shortly discussed.

4. Trilateral Issues

GS informed that no answer from Mr.Wada has arrived so far on the JPO reaction upon the trilateral letter. (This answer arrived on March 4 and has been distributed to the ExCo immediately).

At PIUG the ExCo proposes a meeting with Joe Ebersole and other members of the Coalition. Proposed date is May 24 or 25, 2005 after 05:00 pm for up to 2 hours. The secretary shall clear this with Joe and RW will look for a place, either at Dialog or at Derwent. All members shall be asked by mail for participation.

5. PatCom Position and Strategy: Status

PB informed about his contacts to Maître Marrer. She is of our opinion, that EPO is not a EU entity and therefore outside the reach of the EU Ombudsoffice. He will continue this contact after speaking with WL and inform the ExCo via e-mail.

Further discussions have been postponed because of absence of WL.

6. PatCom Web Page

The ExCo reminds the topics of the Geneva meeting. Better user statistics and more alerting to the members were requested as well. GS shall contact WL for further actions.

7. Potential New Members

The ExCo members participating in the Malaga conference should look for potential new members like in Prague. Rick Vieira shall be contacted.

8. AOB

There were no additional requests.

a) Next Meeting

The next meeting may be at Ilmenau or at Geneva before the next WIPO meeting in June. Details shall be organized at the next board meeting (21.03.2005 in Katwijk).

Adjourn 08:10 pm

G.F.Schultheiss, 08.03.2005