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## **Agreement between the International Labour Office and the United International Bureaux for the Protection of Intellectual Property**

*Letter from the Director of BIRPI  
to the Director-General of the ILO, dated 31 May 1967*

Dear Mr. Director-General,

I have the honour to confirm that, following informal consultations concerning the establishment of working relations between the International Labour Office (ILO) and the United International Bureaux for the Protection of Intellectual Property (BIRPI), agreement has been reached, pending the conclusion of further arrangements in the light of the expected structural reform of BIRPI, on the following provisions:

### *Co-operation and Consultation.*

With a view to facilitating their respective functions, and especially to avoiding duplication of effort, ILO and BIRPI shall regularly consult each other on matters of common interest. In particular, each of them will consult the other prior to undertaking any project likely to be of interest to the latter.

### *Exchange of Documents.*

Subject to the restrictions necessary for the safeguarding of the confidential nature of certain documents, the ILO will communicate to BIRPI, and BIRPI will communicate to ILO, their documents concerning matters of common interest.

### *Mutual Representation.*

The Director-General of the ILO will make appropriate arrangements to enable BIRPI representatives to participate, without the right to vote, in meetings convened by the ILO whenever questions of mutual interest are discussed. Similarly, the Director of BIRPI will make appropriate arrangements to enable ILO representatives to participate, without the right to vote, in BIRPI meetings whenever questions of mutual interest are discussed.

Sincerely yours,  
(Signed) G. H. C. BODENHAUSEN,  
Director.

*Letter from the Director-General of the ILO  
to the Director of BIRPI, dated 9 June 1967*

Dear Mr. Director,

I have the honour to confirm that, following informal consultations concerning the establishment of working relations between the United International Bureaux for the Protection of Intellectual Property (BIRPI) and the International Labour Office (ILO), agreement has been reached, pending the conclusion of further arrangements in the light of the expected structural reform of BIRPI, on the following provisions:

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Sincerely,  
(Signed) David A. MORSE,  
*Director-General.*

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