STATEMENT of the delegation of the Republic of Moldova

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Mr Chair, Dear Director General Gurry, Excellences, Distinguished delegates,

The Republic of Moldova fully subscribes to the statement delivered by the Republic of Latvia on behalf of the CEBS Group.

Mr Chair, we greet you and your vice-chairs for your commitment to successfully conducting these assemblies meetings.

The Republic of Moldova highly appreciates the work done by the WIPO Secretariat in ensuring the operation of the organization during these difficult times and is grateful for the efforts to hold the meetings of WIPO Assemblies in an inclusive manner despite the restrictions caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

The reform of public services, including the public health services, education, etc. based on Artificial intelligence and efficient innovative solutions are among the emergent issues we have to deal with both locally and internationally, and we appreciate that WIPO is on the frontline of this process.

Mr Chair,

Moldovan Government is currently concentrated on keeping control on the COVID19 spreading, stabilization of the economy and implementation of efficient mechanisms for the consolidation of its institutional, legal and financial framework that would allow us to better deal with current emergencies.

Technologization and digitalization of public services are among our priorities and the Moldovan authorities, including the State Agency on Intellectual Property, are making great efforts to facilitate the access of users to high-quality online services and to ensure that the IP System contributes to the solution solving, economic growth and social welfare.

Like many other countries, Moldova is working on improving the mechanisms for making available the compulsory use of patented inventions that would help to address the current public health crisis.

However, in a globalized world, progress is only possible through cooperation and common efforts, and we look forward to a constructive collaboration with WIPO and its member states.

Mr Chair, this delegation would like to use this opportunity to express once again its gratitude to Director General Francis Gurry for the way he led the organization during the last 12 years, but also for his personal implication and support in increasing the culture and respect for intellectual property in the Republic of Moldova.

We also congratulate Mr Daren Tang on his election as the Director General, and eagerly anticipate to cooperate with him and the WIPO team in the years to come.

Thank you for your attention.