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Title: An act to create a task force to establish, adopt and enforce intellectual property and development laws using a guided case-by-case approach.

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED-NATIONS

Justification Clause: Technological innovation, science and creative activity in general are rightly recognized as important sources of material progress and welfare. In many areas there is a significant "knowledge gap" as well as a "digital divide" that separate the wealthy nations from the poor. A balanced system of intellectual property should service the interests of all sectors of society. The UN should promote the benefits of IP and encourage the harmonization of intellectual property laws in all countries. We must also address that the top officials at WIPO on each of the substantive issues of copyrights, patents, and trademarks are all men.

Section I: Appointees to the task force will be two representatives from each of the following organizations: WIPO, ACE, ACMC, & the SCP. Along with computer analysts and IP specialist they will determine what measures within the IP system could be undertaken to ensure an effective transfer of technology to developing countries.

Section II: The WIPO is currently engaged in norm setting activities in various technical Committees. The task force will assist in preserving public interest flexibility and the policy space of Member States. They will write new policy to deal with infringement claims over domain names and institute new provisions.
Section III: The task force will ensure that in leadership positions, WIPO will not be heavily dominated by males consistently filling the top posts and hire qualified women.

Section IV: The cost of training, hiring and equipment needed for the task force is \$300,000 for the initial year. Funding will come from the WIPO's Secretariat (International Bureau). Action is therefore needed to ensure, in all countries, that the costs do not outweigh the benefits of IP protection.

Section V: Treaties under negotiation in WIPO will include provisions on the transfer and protection of public interest flexibility. These treaties will include specific clauses on rules and objectives, based on task force recommendations. The SPLT (Substantive Patent Law Treaty) will be referred and used as a standard.

Section VI: We call for immediate action on this Proposal.