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Addendum

Financial implications

1. The attached table provides a summary of the estimated costs of the package of measures contained in the draft decision proposed by the Director-General.¹ The estimates include the direct incremental costs that would result from each element of the proposal (travel and interpretation costs) and provide options in terms of interpretation services for the tripartite working party on the Standards Review Mechanism (a three-language option of English, French and Spanish or the seven Governing Body languages of English, French, Spanish, Russian, Arabic, Chinese and German).
2. No provision exists within the Programme and Budget for 2014–15 to cover these costs. It is proposed that a review of other tripartite meetings scheduled for 2015 will be undertaken and that one or more of these may be deferred until 2016 in order to partially offset the cost of the package of measures during the current biennium. Financing through offers of extra-budgetary contributions will also be explored. Should further sources of funding be required, it is proposed that the costs of the proposed measures be financed from savings that may arise under Part I of the budget for 2014–15 or, failing that, through the use of the Provision for Unforeseen Expenditure, Part II. Should this not prove possible the Director-General would propose alternative methods of financing at a later stage in the biennium.

¹ GB.322/INS/5(Add.2).

Draft decision

3. *The Governing Body decides that the cost of the package of measures proposed by the Director-General estimated to cost up to US\$684,300 that cannot be financed from extra-budgetary contributions, be financed in the first instance from savings in Part I of the budget for 2014–15 or, failing that, through Part II, on the understanding that should this subsequently prove impossible, the Director-General would propose alternative methods of financing.*

Appendix

Estimated costs for standards-related measures proposed by the Director-General (in US\$)

	Location: Geneva	
	Composition – 32/16/16	
	Three languages	All languages
Tripartite meeting (three days)		
Participants' travel		208 100
Interpretation		189 400
Subtotal	397 500	397 500
	Composition – 16/8/8	
Tripartite working group on the Standards Review Mechanism (two days)		
Participants' travel	98 000	98 000
Interpretation	50 000	120 800
Subtotal	148 000	218 800
	Composition – 16/8/8	
Working Party on the Working Methods of the Conference Committee on the Application of Standards (one day in conjunction with Governing Body)		
Participants' travel	13 000	
Interpretation	5 000	
Subtotal	18 000	18 000
Report by Chairpersons of CEACR and CFA	50 000	50 000
Total	613 500	684 300