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**Madam Chair,  
Dr. Francis Gurry, Director General of WIPO,  
Distinguished delegates,**

At the outset, I would like to express my congratulation to you, Madam Chair, on your election as Chair of the 51<sup>st</sup> Assemblies. I have full confidence in your able leadership in steering our Assemblies to a fruitful conclusion.

Allow me to express my sincere thanks to Dr. Francis Gurry, Director General of WIPO, for his comprehensive report on the progress of WIPO's activities.

My thanks also go to the WIPO Secretariat's staffs for their excellent arrangements made and the documentation they have prepared for our Assemblies. We also express our thanks to the Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific for the support and effective cooperation extended to Cambodia.

My delegation associates itself with the statement made by Singapore on behalf of ASEAN and Benin on behalf of LDCs.

**Madam Chair,**

The ongoing works of the Intergovernmental Committee (IGC) on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources (GR), Traditional Knowledge (TK) and Traditional Cultural Expressions (TCEs) are crucial for all. Therefore, we would like to lend our support for the renewal of the mandate of IGC for 2014-15 and support the idea as suggested by many delegates to convene a possible diplomatic conference to finalize the text(s) of an international legal instrument(s) for effective protection of GRs, TK and TCEs

**Madam Chair,**

We appreciate WIPO, under leadership of Dr. Francis Gurry and his team, for the continued assistance to Cambodia, especially for its support to

**Cambodia in the following areas: on drafting Cambodia's National IP Strategy, the establishment of IP Information Center, the delivery of advisory service to the authorities concerned for the country's Accession to the Madrid systems, training program on IP asset management, the conduct of study visit of Cambodia's officials at overseas, the conduct of missions of WIPO experts on trademarks examination, providing services on translation and on printing some documents to Khmer language and delivery of legal advice on Cambodia's IP.**

My delegation would like to encourage WIPO to continue supporting the National IP Strategy to achieve its objectives and **goals that aim at strengthening the economic development** by using the potential role of IP crosses 6 sectors **namely:** agriculture, culture, education & training, health, industry and commerce, and tourism.

~~Mr. Chairman,~~ *Madam Chair,*

In conclusion, Cambodia wishes to **stress the importance** for the efficient implementation of recommendations under Development Agenda (CDIP), establishment of international instruments for the effective protection of GRTKF and well-organized technical assistance and capacity building critical to the LDCs' countries, including Cambodia, **in helping those poorest countries to acquire the innovative knowledge and experience in the sector of IP development** that could best serve as important instruments for their long-term technological and economic development.

With that said Cambodia remains committed to working closely with all members. Our delegation wishes **this Annual Session** of Assemblies a successful deliberation and **fruitful** outcome.

Thank you.

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