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Dear sir,

we note that you plan to hold a meeting to discuss the administration of justice on the 5 May 2009. Part of the agenda for this meeting includes issues resulting from the ILOAT Reform Project, and also discussions with tribunal members. The rest of the agenda appears to be a discussion on the impact of the UN Justice Reform.

In addition to the "locus standi" issue for staff associations, the holding of oral hearing was also an outstanding point from the ILOAT Reform discussions and suggest that this is added to your agenda.

These matters are of key interest to staff associations but we note that you appear to have overlooked this and have invited only the administrations of the organisations involved. We would also like to respectfully convey our view, that holding the meeting without the attendance of staff associations gives the appearance of bias, particularly considering the presence of Tribunal members.

We therefore request that you invite the Staff Committee of the EPO to attend this meeting. It is also our view that you should also extend this invitation to the staff associations of each organisation involved.

Given the proximity of the meeting, we ask that you give this matter priority.

Yours faithfully,

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