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1, General Response

China NB acknowledges the presentation of “Proposed Resolution of Problems Identified by the Chinese NB in Opening Comments of Chinese NB” by Mr. Robin Tasker. China NB thank Mr. Tasker (ISO/IEC IEEE liaison) for the quick response. It is a positive step in solving the differences. We also want to thank Mr. Chairman Ho-In Jeon for organizing this “solution and response” sessions.

Because of the fact that there are many issues, involving parties that beyond WG1, and that it takes more time to clarify all the facts and to study the relevant documents, China NB do not expect to solve all the problems presented in our statement. We may continue discuss the matter after this Orlando meeting.

Here, because of the short response time, we can provide a preliminary response to Mr. Tasker’s proposed solution. We want to make it clear that what we presented here is not targeting Mr. Tasker who we understand is acting to help finding facts. We are just discussing the ideas and facts.

Problem 1 The overlook of China NB’s request of fast Track for N7506.

Response

Mr. Tasker offered an explanation that China NB proposal N7506 application did not use the term “fast track” but instead requested to enter “Quick program” within NP submission may have be the reason it was not granted fast track status.

China NB confirms the wording difference. We wish that the China NB be contacted for clarification regarding this issue.

Problem 5 The termination of N7506.

Problem 7 The late explanation for the cancellation of N7506.

Mr. Tasker pointed out that the action of JTC1 to void the NP will be based upon the JTC1 Directive Clause 9.3.1 which states "... An NB may submit a NP either to a SC or to JTC 1. *JTC 1 should consider a NP only in exceptional circumstances, such as the NP is not within the scope of an existing SC.* In all other cases, the appropriate SC

should ballot the NP." The N7506 was voided because it is not "exceptional circumstances".

Response

China NB'd like to point out that:

1, China NB submitted the proposal to SC6 as well as JTC1;

2, the JTC1 did not specify what constitute "exceptional circumstances", "*Not within the scope of an existing SC*" should not be read as "exclusive requirement" because it was put as "such as", which means "for example".

3, China NB's comments have been submitted and there are disputes as to where it should be sent to, this should be "exceptional circumstances".

4, JTC1 should have consulted and notified the China NB for clarification on "exceptional circumstances" before taking unilateral action announcing it "void" after having circulated it for a month.

If JTC1 and China NB cannot find common ground on this issue (reason for N7506 cancellation), we may submit it to higher office in ISO/IEC for a resolution.

Problem 2 U.K. NB's assertion that N7506 would cause confusion and would have "no standing and no reasons."

Response

China NB thank for Mr. Tasker's comments. The original China NB statement should have been made "no standing" and "no sense for technical reasons". It is a typing error left out in text editing.

China NB agree with Mr. Tasker "that a NB is entitled to express an opinion and to provide a rationale in support of that view".

China NB would like to point out that so far we have not seen any procedural source for UK's opinion. However, China NB still cannot accept UK opinion. We will provide a formal response at a later time to give the sources of our dissent.

Problem 3 U.K. NB's proposal that China NB submit NP to IEEE.

Response

We thank U.K.'s suggestion. China NB's opinion is based on its own concerns and considerations. We wish this to be understood.

Problem 4 Project editor's assertion that IEEE 802.11i solves the WEP issue and thus oppose China NB's NP (N7506).

Response

China NB thank project editor's comments and his suggestion.

We have seen all the disputes and controversies around N7506 and N7537. As we said before, we cannot enter any technical discussion on these two subjects because of the visa incidents.

However, we believe that we have seen positive progresses in this meeting to resolve the differences between the two. We also assume, from the meeting sessions, that a meeting will be organized to allow technicians to enter face to face discussions on them. (China NB has prepared a resolution).

Problem 6 The fast-track status to N7537 (IEEE 802.11i)

Response

We have to point out that there are procedural disputes surrounding the N7506 and N7537. The timing difference is a factor to consider.

However, we believe that if we can find a way to resolves the differences between the two proposals that is satisfactory to all, this problem may cease to be an issue.

Problem 8 The denial of visa to China's NB experts team.

Response

China NB agrees and thanks SC6 US delegation's help to find the facts. China NB will resort to other channels as well.

Problem 9 A difficult situation for China NB in this meeting.

Response

Again, we agree and we appreciate all the help attendants of this meeting provided to China NB.

Final comments:

Because the statements, resolutions and responses have longer implications, we suggest to deliver them to SC6 and JTC1 as formal documents and posted on relevant websites for those NB's who cannot attend this meeting to know the whole events and

what this meeting have achieved in reaching common grounds.

Although there are still differences, we believe that we are making progress in reaching consensus on many issues.

China NB is convinced now that we made a right decision to attend this meeting. We would like to repeat our trust in ISO/IEC system, our trust in the NB's of this group, and our commitment to the promotion and development of International Standards.

Finally, we would like to thank this meeting's chairman Mr. Ho-In Jeon for his excellent work in organizing and presiding this meeting and for his impartial stands in handling the difficult situation.