

Dear Mr. Zhang,

I apologize for the delay in responding to your message of 2005-02-06 below, but it has taken a number of days to come to a solution that I hope is satisfactory to China.

While I was in Geneva on 2005-02-10, the JTC 1 Chairman and I met with ISO Central Secretariat staff, namely: Alan Bryden, ISO Secretary-General; Kevin McKinley, Deputy Secretary-General; and Michael Smith, Director, Technical Policy, to discuss the issues related to ISO/IEC 8802-11. Based upon our review of the agreements reached at the November 2004 SC 6 meeting in Orlando, we all agreed that the UK Fast Track document should be discussed at the special SC 6/WG 1 meeting in Frankfurt next week. Further, it was determined that the best course of action to allow for this discussion to take place was to suspend the Fast Track ballot. As a result, ISO Central Secretariat has today issued the following notification to ISO members:

***To the E-balloters :***

***After discussion between the ISO Central Secretariat and the JTC1 Secretariat, it has been decided to suspend the present ballot of ISO/IEC 8802-11/Amd 6 for a period of 30 days from the 15th February to the 15th March 2005.***

***This suspension of the ballot will allow discussion of this document (as well as the Chinese proposal contained in JTC1 N 7506) to take place at the special meeting of SC6/WG 1 in Frankfurt the week of 21 February 2005 as intended by the below Resolution of the SC 6 meeting in Orlando in November 2004 : Resolution 6.1.10 Authorization for interim SC 6/WG 1 Meeting***  
***SC 6 notes that the next meeting of SC 6/WG 1 will be held in Frankfurt, Germany in 21-25 February 2005 and reminds the WG 1 Convener to provide meeting agendas to the SC 6 Secretariat no later than 1st January 2005, which will include Wireless LAN on Security (JTC1 N 7506, N 7537).***

***Please do not submit your vote during the suspension period.***

***We apologize for any inconvenience caused.***

***ISO Central Secretariat  
Standards Development and Production Department***

I have also sent today an email message to the SC 6 Secretariat instructing her to ensure that all participants in the Frankfurt meeting are aware of this development. In addition, I have instructed her to ensure that the Frankfurt meeting agenda is modified to reflect discussion of both the UK and Chinese proposals.

Following the discussions at the meeting in Frankfurt, I would be more than happy to discuss with you the options China has for further processing of its proposal and the procedures for doing so. Mr. Jameson, the JTC 1 Chairman, will also be happy to discuss these options with the Chinese delegates at the Frankfurt meeting.

Respectfully yours,

Lisa Rajchel

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