



Secretariat of ISO/TC 20/SC 13

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Dear ISO TC20/SC13 P-Members:

ISO TC20/SC13 (Space Data and Information Transfer Systems) and TC20/SC14 (Space Systems and Operations) will be presenting a resolution at the 39th TC20 Plenary in June 2003 to transition their respective Subcommittees to a new Technical Committee that will be dedicated to the international standardization of space systems. Currently, the scope of TC20 includes both aircraft and space vehicles.

Attached is the resolution that TC20/SC13 will present at the meeting. Please review and respond to the TC20/SC13 Chairman (e.w.bergamini@uol.com.br) and Secretary (jkelley@hq.nasa.gov) whether you agree or disagree with the proposal. Your response and comments are requested before 5 June 2003.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John D. Kelley".

John D. Kelley
ISO TC20/SC13 Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eduardo W. Bergamini".

Eduardo W. Bergamini
ISO TC20/SC13 Chairman

Attachment

ISO/TC20/SC13 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE PROPOSED FORMATION OF A NEW ISO TECHNICAL COMMITTEE DEDICATED TO SPACE SYSTEMS STANDARDIZATION

Considering that:

The full scope of space standardization within ISO is currently conducted by two subcommittees - SC13 (Space Data and Information Transfer Systems) and SC14 (Space Systems and Operations) - within ISO Technical Committee 20, Aircraft and Space Vehicles.

And recognizing that:

The global space marketplace has grown in importance to the point where a dedicated ISO Technical Committee is needed to handle the needs for international standardization of space systems.

ISO/TC20/SC13 resolves that:

1. The development of space systems (for example commercial and scientific spacecraft, both manned and unmanned), their transport into space, the communication with and control of the spacecraft, their operation and disposal, coupled with the globalization of the market for this service, presents a unique and challenging standardization opportunity.
2. To more effectively function and focus on the expanding space standardization needs that are being defined, the membership of SC13 unanimously resolves to transition this subcommittee to a full Technical Committee level.
3. To initiate this transition:
 - A. The SC13 Secretariat (NASA) shall inform the TC20 Secretariat (ANSI/AIA) and Central Secretariat of SC13 desires.
 - B. The SC13 Chairman shall inform the TC20 Chairman of the SC13 desires.
 - C. The SC13 participating countries shall inform their respective sponsoring organization on TC20 and the ISO TMB, as appropriate, of the SC13 desires.
 - D. The SC13 Chairman shall initiate communications with ISO TC20/SC14 regarding their desire to be a partner within the new TC.

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