

Title: Default L2 Ballot on SC 35 N 1616

L2/11-080

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**Background:** The very accelerated letter ballot sent February 18, 2011 (L2/11-079) proposed to disapprove the new work item as outlined in JTC 1 SC 35 N 1616. The letter ballot recommended answering question #1 (“Do you accept the proposal in the attached NWI Proposal document as a sufficient definition of the new work item?”) as “YES.” Barbara Bennett of INCITS reported that to disapprove the NWI, the answer to #1 should be “NO.” The Default L2 Ballot below requested changing the response to question #1 to “NO.”

The following L2 Ballot was sent out 22 February 2011:

Dear L2 Members,

On Friday, February 18, 2011, a very accelerated letter ballot on SC 35 N 1616, Cultural Conventions was conducted.

Barbara Bennett at INCITS reports that the answer to Question #1 should be in agreement with the US position to disapprove as follows:

1. Do you accept the proposal in the attached NWI Proposal document as a sufficient definition of the new work item?  
NO.

This is an L2 Default Letter Ballot that is being conducted today, from 2:30 PM ET until 3:30 PM ET.

If you approve the change in answer to Question #1, i.e., that the US Disapproves the New Work Item in SC 35 N 1616, do nothing. No response means that you agree that the US should disapprove SC 35 N 1616. The answers to Questions #2-6 remain "NO" and Question #7, "Not Applicable."

Six members responded and agreed to change the response on question #1 of SC 35 N1616 from YES to NO. The result of this Default Letter Ballot is that the US Disapproved the New Work Item in SC 35 N 1616 (question #1) and changed its vote on question #1 from YES to NO.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Anderson  
IR