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Subject: TC 37/SC 2 resolutions re stability of ISO 3166, royalties

The following resolutions were passed last week by ISO/TC 37/SC 2:

ISO / TC 37 / SC 2, having received information that some National Standards Bodies are considering charging royalty for the use of the code tables of ISO 639, asks that this practice be discontinued.

ISO / TC 37 / SC 2 is deeply concerned that the ISO 3166 Maintenance Agency has reassigned a previously used alpha-2 country identifier to a new entity (cf. ISO 3166-1 Newsletter No. V-8 2003-07-23) and strongly requests the ISO 3166 MA to reconsider this assignment; should this not be done, ISO / TC 37 / SC 2 will bring the issue to the attention of the ISO TMB or any other body that may have an interest in the matter.

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