Report to the ISO/TC97/SC22 Advisory Group from WG11

1.0 Summary

There have been no formal meetings this year. The convenor resigned, leaving the working group in "limbo" for most of the year. I have been tentatively appointed as convenor, and I am taking steps to revive the group.

One document has been completed and was recently submitted for review. It is titled "Guidelines for Language Bindings" and was written by Madeleine Sparks and two other working group members. It gives guidelines for procedural bindings and a summary of the graphics binding experiences.

2.0 Scope of Work

The following tasks are assigned to us:

WG-11 project 97.22.14 Binding Techniques for Programming Languages.

> The document mentioned above has been produced, and we plan on revising it based on any comments received.

WG-11 project 97.22.16 Sepc. for a model for Common Lang. independent procedure calling mechanism.

> There has been no formal action on this topic. We plan on starting work on a plan for producing a specification.

WG-11 project 97.22.17 Spec. for a set of Common Lang. independent data types.

> There has been no formal action on this topic. We plan on starting work on a plan for producing a specification.

There are a number of liason responsibilities assigned to WG11 and we plan on maintaining the existing and any future liason activities.

3.0 Schedule/Milestones

We are now in the process of reviving the working group. Former and potential members have been contacted, and we plan on holding an organizational meeting early next year. The meeting location is not known at this time since it is not yet clear how many members we have and where they are located.

In the interim, we plan on using the regular mail for planning our future direction.