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## Minutes of the NITF Maintenance Working Party
## held on 17 March 2004

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**Present:**
Chairman: Alan Karben, XML Team Solutions, Inc.

Koji Akagi, Nihon Shinbun Kyokai
Walter Baranger, New York Times Company
Honor Craig-Bennett, PA NewsLtd
Arnaud Descamps, Relaxnews
Takahiro Fujiwara, EAST Co. Ltd
Stéphane Guérillot, Agence France Presse
Darko Gulija, HINA
Geoffrey Haynes, The Associated Press
Niels Hojer-Pedersen, Ritzau Bureau I's
Kelvin Holland, Harris and Baseview
Rudi Horvath, Austria Presse Agentur
Chris Hugh-Jones, Fingerpost Ltd
John Iobst, Newspaper Association of America
Hugh Johnstone, IPTC
Zoltan Kirchknopf, Magyar Távirati Iroda Rt
Dean Large, Business Wire

Laurent Le Meur, Agence France Presse
Johan Lindgren, Tidningarnas Telegrambyrå
Luka Lo, CINTEC
Takis Mantis, ANA, Athens News Agency
Angelo Marrara, ANSA
John Minting, United Press International
Manabu Miyake, Nihon Shinbun Kyokai
Peter Müller, SDA/ATS
Stuart Myles, Dow Jones & Company
Christian Ratenburg, CCI Europe
Jean-François Richard, Agence France Presse
Michael Schlein, New York Times Company
Hiroshi Shinotsuka, Kyodo News
Klaus Sprick, Deutsche Presse-Agentur GmbH
Henrik Stadler, Tidningarnas Telegrambyrå
Charles Tichenor, The Associated Press
Misha Wolf, Reuters Limited

Michael Steidl, IPTC Managing Director as Secretary

## 1   Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 October 2003 (NM0308)

It was proposed by Walter Baranger and seconded by Henrik Stadler that the minutes be accepted as circulated. This was agreed unanimously.

## 2   Matters Arising

No matters were arising from the minutes not covered by this agenda.

## 3   Chairman's report

The Chairman reported
- the web site www.nitf.org underwent a redesign
- he is working primarily on version 3.3 of NITF.

## 4   Discussion of change requests

### 4.1  Document NM0402 (submission by AFP)

The submission was explained by Laurent Le Meur.

## 4.2 AP: re-introduction of the "data-location" element

NITF 2.5 had two attributes of <media-reference> to stand for the address/ID/URL of an externally-stored media object (a photo or video clip, for example):
 source
 data-location

NITF 3.0 took data-location out (October, 2001)

Chuck Tichenor said AP would highly appreciate to have this element "back" in the specifications for compatibility reasons.

## 4.3 CCI: Clarify Email Address use

Publishers often render document authors with hyperlinks to their email addresses like:
By Joe Reporter

NITF Recommendation:
<byline>
  By <person idsrc="email" value="joe@coolmedia.com">Joe Reporter</person>
</byline>

The Chairman admitted the tutorial should be more specific on this and he will update it to point out how this could be done right – in several ways.

## 4.4 Future steps

The Chairman said he is preparing an update to NITF 3.3 and he hopes to have a vote on this at the AGM in May.
After that he will start work on creating an XML Schema for NITF.

Hearing this it was discussed if DTD-validated instances and XML-Schema-validated instances of NITF will mix well.
Misha Wolf asked whether IPTC has a policy on namespaces
Laurent Le Meur said the use of namespaces for NewsML is outlined in the new Guidelines.

## 5 Any Other Business

The Chairman asked again for a member delegate to volunteer as Vice-Chair of the Working Party.
[*Note: later Christian Ratenburg volunteered and was presented as Vice-Chair to the Standards Committee.*]

## 6 Date and Place of Next Meeting

25 – 28 May 2004, Hong Kong (China), Intercontinental Grand Stanford

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