

## **RESOLUTION BT 85/1996**

**Subject:** Voting behaviour

BT, having noted that justification for a negative Formal Vote is sometimes completely new and has not been submitted during the drafting of the document or at the enquiry stage or even is contradicting the Member body's position given at the enquiry stage and that such inconsistent behaviour results in delays due to the need for reiterating of parts of the process and damages the CEN's image, resolves that:

- If the voting result of a Formal Vote on a prEN is negative the secretariat of the TC concerned shall immediately after the closure of the Formal Vote check and negative votes for inconsistencies.
- If a situation is found where the vote cast is not in conformity with the Internal Regulations (in particular IR Part 2, clause 4.5.3) and this vote results in a negative voting result on the prEN the secretary and/or chairman of the TC concerned shall contact the National Standard Body (if necessary the Technical Board member) responsible for that vote and ask for a possible change of that vote. A positive outcome of these discussions shall lead to acceptance instead of rejection of the EN concerned.

Note:

Technical comments made by a national standards body at the Enquiry stage but not accepted in the text for the Formal Vote are acceptable grounds for disapproval.

If technical changes have been made to the Enquiry stage draft as a result of comments by other member bodies, and which alter the technical sense of the document, a member is justified, based on those changes, in voting against the document at the Formal Vote stage, even though they may have been in agreement at the Enquiry stage. If the member maintains its inconsistent vote the secretary shall report to BT the situation together with the corrective action taken. BT decides in accordance with clause 4.5.6 of IR Part 2 what further action is to be taken.