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## AVANT-PROPOS

Le présent amendement a été établi par le comité d'études 25 de la CEI: Grandeurs et unités, et leurs symboles littéraux.

Le texte de cet amendement est issu des documents suivants:

|             |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|
| FDIS        | Rapport de vote |
| 25/211/FDIS | 25/213/RVD      |

Le rapport de vote indiqué dans le tableau ci-dessus donne toute information sur le vote ayant abouti à l'approbation de cet amendement.

Ajouter un article de la façon suivante:

### Article 14 – Préfixes pour les multiples binaires

| Facteur                                                                                                                                                 | Nom  | Symbole | Origine                   | Dérivé de        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|---------------------------|------------------|
| $2^{10}$                                                                                                                                                | kibi | Ki      | kilobinaire: $(2^{10})^1$ | kilo: $(10^3)^1$ |
| $2^{20}$                                                                                                                                                | mébi | Mi      | mégabinaire: $(2^{10})^2$ | méga: $(10^3)^2$ |
| $2^{30}$                                                                                                                                                | gibi | Gi      | gigabinaire: $(2^{10})^3$ | giga: $(10^3)^3$ |
| $2^{40}$                                                                                                                                                | tébi | Ti      | térabinaire: $(2^{10})^4$ | téra: $(10^3)^4$ |
| $2^{50}$                                                                                                                                                | pébi | Pi      | pétabinaire: $(2^{10})^5$ | péta: $(10^3)^5$ |
| $2^{60}$                                                                                                                                                | exbi | Ei      | exabinaire: $(2^{10})^6$  | exa: $(10^3)^6$  |
| Exemples:<br>un kibibit: 1 Kibit = $2^{10}$ bit<br>un kilobit: 1 kbit = $10^3$ bit<br>un mébioctet: 1 Mio = $2^{20}$ o<br>un mégaoctet: 1 Mo = $10^6$ o |      |         |                           |                  |
| NOTE – La note ne concerne que le texte anglais.                                                                                                        |      |         |                           |                  |

## FOREWORD

This amendment has been prepared by IEC technical committee 25: Quantities and units, and their letter symbols.

The text of this amendment is based on the following documents:

|             |                  |
|-------------|------------------|
| FDIS        | Report on voting |
| 25/211/FDIS | 25/213/RVD       |

Full information on the voting for the approval of this amendment can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

Add a clause as follows:

#### Clause 14 – Prefixes for binary multiples

| Factor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Name | Symbol | Origin                   | Derived from     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--------|--------------------------|------------------|
| $2^{10}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | kibi | Ki     | kilobinary: $(2^{10})^1$ | kilo: $(10^3)^1$ |
| $2^{20}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | mebi | Mi     | megabinary: $(2^{10})^2$ | mega: $(10^3)^2$ |
| $2^{30}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | gibi | Gi     | gigabinary: $(2^{10})^3$ | giga: $(10^3)^3$ |
| $2^{40}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | tebi | Ti     | terabinary: $(2^{10})^4$ | tera: $(10^3)^4$ |
| $2^{50}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | pebi | Pi     | petabinary: $(2^{10})^5$ | peta: $(10^3)^5$ |
| $2^{60}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | exbi | Ei     | exabinary: $(2^{10})^6$  | exa: $(10^3)^6$  |
| <p>Examples:</p> <p>one kibibit: 1 Kibit = <math>2^{10}</math> bit</p> <p>one kilobit: 1 kbit = <math>10^3</math> bit</p> <p>one mebibyte: 1 MiB = <math>2^{20}</math> B</p> <p>one megabyte: 1 MB = <math>10^6</math> B</p> <p>NOTE – Suggested pronunciation in English:</p> <p>The first syllable in the prefix name should be pronounced in the same way as in the first syllable of the corresponding SI prefix. The second syllable should be pronounced "bee".</p> |      |        |                          |                  |