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References: [1] SC32 N0156 SC32 WG5 Terms of Reference
[2] SC32 N0163 JTC1/SC32 Plenary Resolutions, July 1998, Brisbane
[3] SC32 N0018 CD13238-1 Data Management Export/Import Framework
[4] SC32 N0018 CD13238-2 Data Management Export/Import SQL Export/Import Facility

1. Noting that Part 3 of the Data Management Export/Import standard has already been published as an international standard, (IS13238-3), the UK proposes the following:
 - a) that the work of the RG on Data Management Export/Import be assigned to WG5
 - b) that consideration be given to revising the existing draft of "Data Management Export/Import: Part 2. SQL Export/Import Facility" (SC32 N0019) with the aim of making use of XML as the language for defining the transfer format. This is based on the growing recognition of XML as a language for use on the Internet.
 - c) that consideration be given to aligning "Data Management Export/Import: Part 2. SQL Export/Import Facility" with SQL99 rather than with SQL92
 - d) that the existing draft of Data Management Export/Import Part 1. Framework for Export/Import" (SC32 N0018 incorporating the editorial comments agreed at the Editing meeting in Sydney July 1998) be carefully reviewed by WG5 to ensure that it provides a framework for Remote Database Access as well as Export/Import to be consistent with RDA.
1. At the Brisbane Plenary [2], SC32 WG5 proposed to change its title from "Remote Database Access" to "Distributed Database". This proposal was deemed not acceptable to the Plenary, based on objections from SC32 WG3 Database Languages
2. The UK feels that the current title of WG5 is out of place in the context of SC32 Data Management and Interchange, and therefore proposes a title of "Distributed Data Access & Interchange".