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Ref: Jim Brodie

Dear X3J11 members,

CONGRATULATIONS!!! The X3 ballot on our document was completed on March 3, 1989. The vote was 33 in favor, 0 against, 2 abstains, and 5 non-voting. **This means that the document has been approved by X3 and is being sent up to ANSI.** I estimate that it will be about 5 weeks before there is an ANSI vote on acceptance. Assuming all goes well, this means we should have a formal ANSI standard for the C Programming Language some time in April (a mere five and a half years after we started this task). The physical publication of the standard may take an additional couple of months.

By the way, the ANSI vote is strictly a vote on whether we followed all of the procedures (we think we have!). They do not consider any technical issues.

We are going to hold the April 10th and 11th meeting in Seattle. The meeting will be held at the

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This will be a joint meeting with the ISO standards group WG14. The primary focus of the meeting will be to address international concerns and issues and to plan for the future of X3J11. This includes, among other things, planning for the interpretations phase and whether we would like to take on the standardization of C++. (See the attached agenda.)

Finally, I would like to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to all of you who have worked so long and hard on this effort. I believe your work has produced a high quality standard which will serve the programming community well for many years to come.

You did good!

Sincerely,



Jim Brodie
X3J11 Chair