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No paperwork has been traced for this proposal.

The following minute appears under session 2 of the minutes of EC33 (2-4 May 2003):

2. SARSCoV

Because of the extent of interest in the putative coronavirus causing SARS, it was agreed that an outline proposal be formulated on behalf of the Coronavirus Study Group (with whom the President had been in touch and who agree the procedure) ahead of the scheduled meeting of the Study Group to agree a proposal to classify and name the species. Modifications to the proposal would then be made during the public consultation phase of the proposal. The composite proposal formulated was –

FT 2003.150V.01 To recognize as a species the virus inducing SARS in humans, to classify the species in the genus Coronavirus and to name it Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (abbreviation SARS-CoV).

The EC accepted the proposal unanimously.