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We have created a forum on the new SPC website mentioned on page 9 to facilitate discussion about Inform'ACTION articles as recommended by PPHSN Coordinating Body members (see article on page 22 of the present bulletin). We hope this new tool will encourage more PPHSN members to consult and contribute to the bulletin.

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3. Did you receive the bulletin... <input type="checkbox"/> directly from SPC? <input type="checkbox"/> from your library? <input type="checkbox"/> from a colleague?	3. Vous recevez le bulletin ... <input type="checkbox"/> directement de la CPS ? <input type="checkbox"/> par le service de documentation ? <input type="checkbox"/> par un collègue ?
4. After you read the bulletin, do you... <input type="checkbox"/> archive or shelf it? <input type="checkbox"/> give it to your library? <input type="checkbox"/> circulate it in your service (to how many readers approximately ___)? <input type="checkbox"/> other _____	4. Après avoir lu le bulletin ... <input type="checkbox"/> vous l'archivez ou le classez ? <input type="checkbox"/> vous le transmettez à la bibliothèque ? <input type="checkbox"/> vous le faites circuler (nombre approximatif de lecteurs : ___) ? <input type="checkbox"/> autre : _____

CONTENT	CONTENU
5. Do you find the articles interesting? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, in general <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> Rarely	5. Trouvez-vous les articles intéressants ? <input type="checkbox"/> Oui, en général <input type="checkbox"/> Quelquefois <input type="checkbox"/> Rarement
6. Do you use the information published in your work? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	6. Avez-vous déjà utilisé les informations publiées dans votre travail ? <input type="checkbox"/> Oui <input type="checkbox"/> Non
7. Do you like to see included some PacNet messages on a topic that has been intensively discussed by e-mail? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	7. Appréciez-vous d'y voir inclus des messages de PacNet, sur un sujet ayant donné lieu à de nombreuses discussions par mél ? <input type="checkbox"/> Oui <input type="checkbox"/> Non
8. Which topics would you like to see discussed in the bulletin?	8. Quels sujets souhaiteriez-vous voir traiter dans le bulletin ?

FORMAT

9. The length of the articles is

- too short
 too long
 right length

10. The size of the font is too small

- Yes No

11. Does the fact that the pages are bilingual disturb you while reading?

- Yes No

12. *Inform'ACTION* is also available on the Internet. Have you ever consulted the electronic version?

- Yes No

If not, why not (e.g. no Internet access)?

13. Are you still interested in receiving a hard copy of the bulletin?

- Yes No

14. Would you like to change anything in the format?

- Yes No

If yes, what?

15. Do you like the new colours (green and black)?

- Yes No

FORMAT

9. Vous trouvez les articles

- trop courts
 trop longs
 de longueur correcte

10. La taille des caractères est trop petite

- Oui Non

11. Le fait que les pages soient bilingues (anglais/français) gêne-t-il votre lecture ?

- Oui Non

12. *Inform'ACTION* est également publié sur internet. Avez-vous déjà consulté les versions électroniques ?

- Oui Non

Si non, pourquoi (ex. pas d'accès internet) ?

13. Souhaitez-vous toujours recevoir la version imprimée ?

- Oui Non

14. Souhaitez-vous changer quelque chose dans le format d'*Inform'ACTION* ?

- Oui Non

Si oui, quoi ?

15. Appréciez-vous les nouvelles couleurs (noir et vert) ?

- Oui Non

16. Would you be willing to contribute to the bulletin? If yes, when and on what topic(s)? / *Accepteriez-vous de contribuer à ce bulletin ? Si oui, éventuellement quand et sur quel thème ?*

17. Other comments / *Autres commentaires*

THANK YOU VERY MUCH! / *MERCI BEAUCOUP!*

