January 2010 Minutes Summary

1- Presentation from GS 1 by Christian Hay (ask Christian if slides could be shared)
GS1 has had several years of experience with joint standard development process. Their work with the Unique Device Identifier (UDI) is well known and used globally. GS1 works with governments and the Globally Harmonization Task Force on the application of the UDI. Recently GS1 collaborated with the global Blood Banks association to collaborate on an identification process for units of blood. JIC is working with GS1 on a proposal for collaborative work regarding patient identification.

2- JIC meetings

Brainstorming sessions have taken place with members of the six participating SDOs on how to make the JIC process more open and share discussions. Some of the ideas are:

- Open Forum for discussion of JIC topics, like balloting issues, discussion of JIC projects and issues
- Information sessions covering lessons learned as a result of the harmonization process or presentations that discuss the SDO's and who they are
- JWG to work with convenors, vice-convenors and experts on proposals for joint work on specific issues for harmonization and how to develop as a harmonization process
- JIC executive session that would have public minutes
- Website to hold information
- Ask you the audience, the information your NMB would like to have

3- JIC policy and procedures

JIC is evaluating the current documentation and preparing new releases to be published on the website before the council meeting in Rio.