'Graphics' was defined as a 'still picture in the form of a normal
television signal' at the last meeting in Torino (see 3.4/Document
#54R). Each country was requested to express its position concerning
this graphics facility.

We are of the opinion that the graphics facility should be optional.
Our considerations are as follows;

1) Basic functions of the videoconferencing system are to provide
   a capability of information and opinion exchange through voice
   and to provide a feeling of presence by transmitting participant
   images. Other conferencing materials such as documents,
   handwritten drawings, photographs and so on can be transmitted
   through a variety of visual aid equipment, out of which the most
   appropriate one will be selected according to the nature of the
   meeting. Graphics facility as defined above is only one type of
   these visual aids.

2) From the equipment cost of view, some users may request basic
   functions only. This requirement should be met.

As for parameter values, we support the agreed idea of defining them as
a simple super-set of the intermediate format for moving pictures.