

Annual Technical Report on Industrial Design Information Activities of the Federal Intellectual Property Office of Yugoslavia for the Year 1998

I Evolution of registration activities:

In 1998, the number of applications filed under the Hague Agreement has risen, but not as much as it was expected. The number of national applications has decreased considerably, but at the same time the number of registered national applications has almost doubled.

Filed Industrial Design Applications:

Year	Hague Agreement	National	Total
1996	573	195	768
1997	754	177	931
1998	806	131	947

Registered Industrial Design Applications:

Year	Hague Agreement	National	Total
1996	573	86	659
1997	754	70	824
1998	680*	129	809

II Matters concerning the generation, reproduction and distribution of industrial design documents and of secondary sources of industrial design information, i.e., official gazettes:

The Official Gazette "Intellectual Property Journal" is published bimonthly by the Federal Intellectual Property Office of Yugoslavia. In this gazette, among other registered industrial property rights, registered nationally applied industrial designs are published, as well. Standards ST.3 and ST.80 are used in publications of bibliographical data for registered industrial designs and graphic representations of industrial designs are published only in grayscale technique. In 1998, about 250 registered industrial designs were published, but still about 200 registered industrial designs are waiting for the publication.

Computerised data base for the nationally applied industrial designs is under formation. Currently that data base has all bibliographical data and graphic representations for over 400 applications and over 300 registered industrial designs, with over 800 pictures. Ultimate goal is to form complete data base that will comprise all registered industrial designs in Yugoslavia, starting from 1921 (the number is now close to 10,000), and all the national applications, submitted from 1994, but that task will not be easy to accomplish in current situation.

III Matters concerning classifying, reclyssifying and indexing of industrial design information according to the classification systems applied:

No news.

\* The difference between the number of applications and registered applications filed under the Hague Agreement is due to the novelty examination, and most of the unregistered applications will be registered in 1999.

IV Search file establishment and upkeep:

No news.

V Activities in the field of computerised search systems for industrial designs:

It was planned to establish operational computer network system for industrial designs by the end of 1998. Because of the lack of resources that task was not fulfilled completely. The Office has developed its own software for this system that enables complete administrative treatment of the application from the moment it is received in the Department for industrial designs. It is possible to search industrial designs that are entered in the data base by characteristic word, class and subclass of Locarno classification, name of the applicant, name of the holder of the right, country, registration and application number.

For the time being, Department for industrial designs has just one personal computer of the following configuration: mother board with main processor PENTIUM on 200 MHz with 32MB RAM, 2.1 GB hard disk, 3,5 "floppy disk, CD disk drive 24x15" color monitor and graphic card CIRRUS LOGIC 546 x PCI. Scanner MUSTEC 12 000 SCANNEXPRESS SP is used for scanning of graphic representations of industrial designs. Operating system is Windows 97 (OEM).

VI Administration of industrial design services available to the public (relating to facilities, e.g., for lodging applications, registering designs, assisting clients with search procedures, obtaining official publications and registry extracts):

No news.

VII Matters concerning mutual exchange of industrial design documentation and information.

During 1998, the Official Gazette of the Federal Intellectual Property Office of Yugoslavia, " Intellectual Property Journal" has been delivered to the following countries:

AM, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CO, CU, CZ, DK, DZ, EG, FI, FR, GB, GR, HU, IN, IT, JA, LI, LT, LY, MK, NL, NO, PL, RO, RU, SE, SI, TR, UA, US

The Office has received gazettes from the following countries: AM, AT, BG, BR, BY, CH, CZ, DE, FR, GB, HR, HU, JP, LT, MK, NO, PL, RO, RU, SI, TJ, TR, WIPO

VIII Matters concerning education and training including technical assistance to developing countries:

The delegation of Chinese Patent Office has visited the Federal Intellectual Property Office of Yugoslavia and got a brief filing at legal protection of industrial design in Yugoslavia. On several occasions, including seminar on intellectual property protection, held in Banja Luka, BA, at INOST 98, specialists of the Department for Industrial Designs have given lectures on theoretical and practical issues in the field of industrial design protection.