ANNUAL TECHNICAL REPORT ON TRADEMARK INFORMATION ACTIVITIES in 1998 IN THE REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN

1. EVOLUTION OF REGISTRATION ACTIVITIES

- Changes experienced in terms of application filings and registrations with respect to the previous year:

	1997	1998
Applications	554	455
Registrations	476	622

And 2384 applications were received in the frame of Madrid Agreement.

II. MATTERS CONCERNING THE GENERATION, REPRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF SECONDARY SOURCES OF TRADEMARK INFORMATION, I.E., TRADEMARK GAZETTES

In 1998 there were published four issues of the Official Bulletin (Navidi patenti): 1(9), 2(10), 3(11), 4(12). In these issues there was published information about

- 931 certificates for trademarks and service marks,
- 52 license contracts and agreements about assignment of rights for trademarks and service marks.

The issue of Bulletins was effected by the computer aided technology.

III. MATTERS CONCERNING CLASSIFYING, RECLASSIFYING AND INDEXING OF TRADEMARK INFORMATION

Classification of goods and services is performed according to the 7th edition of the International Classification of goods and services (Nice Classification). Figurative elements of marks are classified according to the 4th edition of the International Classification of Figurative Elements (Vienna Classification).

Classification of goods and services in respect of which registration is requested is checked without the help of any electronic systems but exclusively by means of classifiers on paper carriers.

IV. TRADEMARK MANUAL SEARCH FILE ESTABLISHMENT AND UPKEEP

The paper search file mainly consists of encyclopedia, dictionaries, reference books and periodicals. The manual search files are a catalogues of the national and international trademarks containing information about filled applications, registered trademarks and lapsed trademarks.

The trademark gazettes from foreign offices and Romarin CD-ROMs from WIPO are received.

V. ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF COMPUTERIZED TRADEMARK SEARCH SYSTEMS

Since 1997 a computerized search system (FOX PRO 3) is used for examination of trademarks. The search system interface is similar with the ROMARIN system interface. CD-rom station ROMARIN is used as external basis to conduct searches for international marks.

Windows-95 is used as the network software.

VI. ADMINISTRATION OF TRADEMARK SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

The database for trademarks is created at the National Center for Patent and Information and outside users don't have acces to it. However, any person can order a search for similarity and likeness of any mark with presenting search results as reports on special forms.

VII. MATTERS CONCERNING MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF TRADEMARK DOCUMENTATION AND INFORMATION

The exchange of Official Bulletins containing data on trademarks is being carried out with Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Moldova, Turkmenistan.Uzbekistan, Ukraine and Chorvatia.

There are all issues of Official Bulletine WIPO Gazette OMPI des Marques Internationales of 1998.

VIII. MATTERS CONCERNING EDUCATION AND TRAINING INCLUDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

In 1998 was organized seminar in Kurgan-Teppa (Tajikistan) on the professional improvement of specialists in the field of industrial property. Several specialists of the Department of Trademarks graduated from the training courses, organized by the Federal Institute of Industrial Property (Russia).

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