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Annual Technical Report 2009 on Trademark Information Activities submitted by Kazakhstan (CWS/ATR/TM/2009/KZ)

Where URLs are requested below, it is preferred that either URLs which are likely to remain stable over time (three years or more) are provided, or home (main) page URLs are provided with a short explanation of how to access the corresponding information.

I. Evolution of registration activities

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

In 2009, 3618 applications were filed with NIIP, of these 1754 applications received from national applicants and 1864 from foreign ones. In 2008, 1809 and 2298 applications respectively.

The number of applications examined under Madrid system made up 3535 applications.

In 2009 - 3 applications received for appellation of origin from national applicants.

The number of certificates on trademarks issued to the national applicants made up 1239, and the number of certificates issued to the foreign applicants grew 22.6 % and made up 2419, in 2008, 1459 and 1973 correspondingly.

URLs of web pages of the Office's website that provide statistics related to trademarks

Statistics related to trademarks can be found in Annual Report at www.kazpatent.kz

II. Matters concerning the generation, reproduction, and distribution of secondary sources of trademark information, i.e., trademark gazettes

Publishing, printing, copying techniques

Trademark information is available on paper and CD-ROM carriers.

Main types of announcements of the Office in the field of trademark information

The main source of information on trademarks registered in the Republic of Kazakhstan is Industrial Property Official Gazette, which is published in Kazakh and Russian. Announcements are published in the Official Gazette. NIIP also issues an Annual Index to Gazette.

Mass storage media and microforms used

In 2009, NIIP prepared and published 2008 Annual Report, four numbers of Journal Intellectual Property of Kazakhstan, and some guidelines.

III. Matters concerning classifying, reclassifying and indexing of trademark information

Classification and reclassification activities; Classification systems used, e.g., International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks (Nice Classification), International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks (Vienna Classification), other classification (please indicate whether goods and services for the registration of marks and whether the figurative elements of marks are classified by your Office and, if so, which classification(s) is (are) used)

NIIP uses International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks (Nice Classification), International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks (Vienna Classification).

IV. Trademark manual search file establishment and upkeep

Updating

When an application is received all information on it is entered into the national database. The information is updated in the course of office procedures.

Storage, including mass storage media

Information on registered trademarks is stored on CD-ROMs as well as on paper carriers.

Documentation from other offices maintained and/or considered part of the available search file

Examiners also use WIPO Gazette of International Marks for examination purposes.

V. Activities in the field of computerized trademark search systems

In-house systems (online/offline)

There is used an on-line automated system for search procedures, which includes information on trademarks registered with NIIP.

External databases

The examiners use international databases ROMARIN and MADRID EXPRESS as well as database of World Health Organization MEDNET.

Administrative management systems (e.g., register, legal status, statistics and administrative support)

Since September 2009, Automated Information System AIS NIIP was put into operation. AIS NIIP is designed for complete coverage of all the functional requirements of Services of the Institute to automate and to simplify the work, the prosecution of these documents and the organization of electronic documents between Services of the Institute.

Equipment used (hardware, including the types of terminal and network used, and software), carriers used

Equipment used: Hardware: system block P4 Core2Duo 1,8GHz, 160 HDD, 526 Mb, DVD-RW, video 128, m/k, LAN. Software: WINDOWS, Microsoft Office 2003, FOX PRO.

VI. Administration of trademark information products and services available to the public (relating to facilities, e.g., for lodging applications, registering trademarks, assisting clients with search procedures, obtaining official publications and registry extracts)

Collection management, preservation

Republican patent fund is generated at the Republican Scientific Technical Library (RSTL). Currently it comprises more than 21 million patent documents, including trademark information from 50 countries and three organizations - WIPO, EPO and EAPO.

URLs of web pages of the Office's website for electronic filing of trademark applications

Currently the System for electronic filing of trademark applications is being developed. Instructions on filing application for industrial property subject matters is at: <http://www.kazpatent.kz/index.php?lang=rus&uin=1208951998&id=1209467172>

URLs of web pages of the Office's website that provide a description of information products and services offered by the Office (e.g., trademark search service(s) and trademark databases), as well as information on how to access and utilize them

The list of services offered by NIIP in the field of industrial property is at: <http://www.kazpatent.kz/index.php?lang=rus&uin=1216034056>

VII. Matters concerning mutual exchange of trademark documentation and information

International or regional cooperation in the exchange of trademark information, e.g., in the form of official gazettes

NIIP carries out mutual exchange of Official Gazettes, Annual Reports and databases with near and far abroad countries and the international organizations. In the year 2009, about 2493 copies of NIIP's publications were distributed including Journal Intellectual Property of Kazakhstan and various databases.

VIII. Matters concerning education and training, including technical assistance to developing countries (please indicate URLs of web pages of the Office's website wherever appropriate)

Promotional activities (seminars, exhibitions, visits, advertising, etc.)

An important event for the promotion of invention and the Patent System is an Annual National Contest on Invention Achievements "Shapagat", which is held on April 24. The Contest promotes the role of Innovation and Invention in the country, investment promotion and implementation of development in the manufacturing sector. "Shapagat-2009" was marked by the fact that WIPO has established the first three awards for Kazakh inventors. During the year some videos were developed and further rotated on the national channels.

Training courses for national and foreign participants

In 2009, the Training Center held 25 events including 7 charged workshops, 17 seminars on distance education for members of the territorial subdivisions of the Departments of Justice (for free), 1 round-table. The information about the upcoming courses is always available on the site of NIIP.

In 2009 six examiners and specialists of NIIP successfully completed distance learning program DL-101 General course on Intellectual Property and received WIPO certificates of completion. Several examiners took professional development courses at the Russian State Institute of Intellectual Property in Moscow.

IX. Other general information related to the Office that is available on the Internet -- URLs of web pages of the Office's website that:

provide information on legislation related to trademarks

Information on legislation in the field of IP protection, Annual Report and other general information can be found on the official web-site of the Institute at www.kazpatent.kz

X. Other relevant matters