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## Annual Technical Report 2013 on Trademark Information Activities submitted by Uzbekistan (CWS/ATR/TM/2013/UZ)

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Other matters and useful links (URLs): annual report of the Office, news page, statistics, etc.

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Annual reports of Agency available on the following link: http://ima.uz/ru/pub/?SECTION\_ID=34.

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## II. SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO TRADEMARK INFORMATION CARRIED OUT BY THE OFFICE

# Information and support provided by the Office to applicants regarding filing on paper and/or e-filing (instructions, seminars, etc.) – URLs

By examiners of Agency free consultations and expert meetings-negotiations regarding rendering of the methodical help on filing of applications for applicants and general public are spent. The information on conditions of filing of applications is placed on the Agency web site. The web page address on which the information on rules of filing of applications contains on trademarks -

Questions of registration of application materials on registration of trademarks are component of the various actions spent by Agency directed on increase of legal culture and knowledge in the field of intellectual property.

Besides, at Agency the State Unitary Enterprise "INTELLEKT EKSPERT" renders services on registration of applications for reception of protection documents for trademarks, support of examination and consultations concerning registration of the rights to trademarks.

## Availability of the application dossier in electronic form

Agency has a full collection of application documents on trademarks (originals) on a paper. Besides, these documents are stored in bibliographic databases and in electronic storehouses in internal database. The bibliographic data and files of national documents in electronic storehouse can replenish and-or be corrected in process of the reference.

### Matters concerning classifying

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Goods and services are classified according to the International classification of goods and services (Nice Classification, 10th edition). The Figurative elements of trademarks are classified according to the International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks (Vienna Classification).

Use of electronic classification systems and pre-defined terms of the classification applied Examiners of the Agency use the electronic version of ICGS of 10th edition for updating the classification headings specified by applicants

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### III. SOURCES OF TRADEMARK INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE

Main types of publications in the field of trademark information, outline of the content and medium (on paper, on CDs, online – URLs)

Data on trademarks are published in the official bulletin as it is described in following section.

Official Gazettes: main types of announcements, frequency of publication, medium (on paper, on CDs, online, URL), etc.

Data on the registered trademarks are published in the official bulletin «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» in section "Trademarks" the Official bulletin of Agency is published on CD-ROM disks monthly; in 2013 year 12 numbers are issued, besides the official bulletin published on the Agency's web site. Data on trademarks include the bibliographic data and the image. In 2013 in official bulletins data about 1822 registered trademarks are published.

## Information products (coverage, medium, etc.) available to examiners, including external documentation and databases

Examiners access through the Internet to database of WIPO international trademarks - International Trademark Information Database (ROMARIN) is provided. Search is carried out by examiners of the office through using indexes of Nice classification, and Vienna classification of graphic elements of signs. Indexes of the Vienna classification are regularly bringing in a database "Trademarks".

Information products (coverage, medium, etc.) and services available to external users; conditions of access (e. g., free of charge, subscription, etc.)

The collection of annual indexes to the official bulletin «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» for 2013 (section of the index on trademarks) published on the electronic carrier.

The Annual Report of Agency for 2012 on the electronic carrier and on a paper is published; the electronic version of the Annual Report is placed on the Agency site on the Internet.

# IV. ICT SUPPORT TO SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO TRADEMARK INFORMATION CARRIED OUT BY THE OFFICE

### Hardware used to supporting business processes of the Office

1.Server HP ProLiant DL380 G4 - 3

2.ServerHPProLiantML370 - 3

3.Server HP ProLiant DL380 G7 - 1

#### Internal databases: coverage, updates, interlinks with external sources

With a view of increase of efficiency of search and processing of patents in Agency the subsystem of automation of patent search and preparation for the publication of patent documents (PIPS) functions.

PIPS - patent-search information system (conducting bibliographic bases, patent search, reports: registers, statistics, decisions of examinations). The system of automation of search and preparation of documents of Agency has been designed on the basis of technologies Intranet with wide use of language means of the objective structured data presentation - universal language of the description of data XML/XSL and control system of databases of corporate level MS SQL Server.

### Administrative management electronic systems (register, legal status, statistics, and administrative support)

Administration of information systems is carrying out with ActiveDirectory and systems administration tools.

#### Other matters

In 2015 the External information portal development and deployment is planned which has to provide information service of external users – Agency clients and applicants with granting to them on-line of services and access to information on IPO. The external information portal is expansion of an internal information portal, with further increasing of users categories and providing controlled access to a database and functionalities of system.

# V. PROMOTION ACTIVITIES AIMED TO SUPPORT USERS IN ACCESS AND EFFICIENT USE OF TRADEMARK INFORMATION

## Office's library (if deals with trademark information): equipment, collection management, network of libraries in the country, cooperation with foreign libraries

The State Patent Documentation Fund of Agency collects the information on trade marks. This Documentation Fund is structural division of Agency and also has practically unique full collection of the patent documentation in territory of Uzbekistan. On the basis of State Patent Documentation Fund of Agency is carried out the patent- information services for office experts and public.

The collection of Fund includes patent bulletins with data on trademarks of 27 countries (on 18 countries and WIPO - the retrospective information whereas since the certain moment official bulletins of these countries are exposed on sites of patent offices); collection is placed on the countries and years.

## Publications related to different business procedures and trademark information sources available to users, for example, books, brochures, Internet publications, etc.

For increase of legal knowledge in the field of protection of objects of intellectual property by Agency published brochure «How to get certificate on trademark. Its legal protection in the Republic of Uzbekistan».

### Cooperation with universities, technology and innovation support centers, etc.

Besides, these questions are a component of lectures, seminars, exhibitions, which organized by Agency,

Regional seminars are held on a theme «Legal protection of objects of intellectual property» in 12 cities of republic. Within the limits of the given seminars teachers, scientists, masters of some republic high schools took part. At seminars questions of legislative basis of granting of legal protection to objects of intellectual property in Uzbekistan, including and on trademarks are taken up.

### Education and training: training courses, e-learning modules (URLs), seminars, exhibitions, etc.

At Agency the State Unitary Enterprise «Center on retraining and advanced training in sphere of intellectual property» («IP-Center») functions. In 2013 IP-Center organised and spent courses of improvement of qualification of shots under the program of "Intellectual Property Basis». Questions on a legal protection of trademarks are included in Centre curriculums.

## VI. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF TRADEMARK INFORMATION

#### International exchange of trademark information in machine-readable form (e.g., Official Gazettes)

On the basis of the bilateral and international exchange, the Agency send the Official bulletin «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» with data on the registered trademarks to 27 countries and international and regional organizations as WIPO, EPO, and EAPO.

Agency has published the official bulletin on CD-ROM disks. In 2013 on the basis of bilateral exchange AGENCY has received official bulletins with data on trademarks from offices of 9 countries, on CD-ROM and DVD-ROM disks.

## Participation in international or regional activities and projects related to trademark information

In accounting year experts of Agency participated in work of the Seminar-training for national offices on procedures of the Madrid system on the international registration of the trademarks, organized by WIPO (November, 13-15, 2013, Geneva, Switzerland).

## **VII. OTHER RELATED MATTERS**