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Annual Technical Report 2011 on Trademark Information Activities submitted by Kazakhstan (CWS/ATR/TM/2011/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 2011, 3749 (2010 – 3648) applications were filed with NIIP, of these 1890 applications received from national applicants and 1859 from foreign ones. In 2010, 1611 and 2037 applications respectively.

The number of applications examined under Madrid system made up 3722 applications.

In 2011 - 24 applications received for appellation of origin.

The number of certificates issued to trademarks in 2011 made up 6185 (2010 - 4035). The number of certificates on trademarks issued to the national applicants made up 917, and the number of certificates issued to the foreign applicants made up 1546, in 2010, 1486 and 2549 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 optical carriers.

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

The main source of information on industrial designs registered in the Republic of Kazakhstan is Industrial Property Official Gazette, which is published monthly in Kazakh and Russian. NIIP also issues the Annual Index to the Official Gazette, the monthly CD and the quarterly scientific and practical magazine "Intellectual property of Kazakhstan".

Mass storage media and microforms used

Data are stored on paper and disks

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).

Use of electronic classification systems to check the classification symbols furnished by an applicant and which are contained in the lists of goods and/or services

The WIPO website and the website: www.MKTU.info are used as electronic sources of systems of classification.

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IV. Trademark manual search file establishment and upkeep

Updating

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

Storage, including mass storage media

Information on registered trademarks, including bibliographic data, descriptions are stored on CD-ROMs as well as on paper carriers and since 2012 on NIIP official website www.kazpatent.kz.

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 filed 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)

Automated Information System AIS NIIP automates and simplifies 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

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 from 50 countries and three organizations - WIPO, EPO and EAPO.

Information services available to the public (including computerized services and search files contained in libraries remote from your Office and trademark information posted by your Office on the World Wide Web)

At the NIIP's Branch Office Databases Patents of Kazakhstan: Bibliography, Patents of Kazakhstan: Full descriptions and Database Patents of Kazakhstan: Abstracts are generated, which are then recorded on optical disks and distributed around Kazakhstan and abroad. Topic «-» (on Kazakh), «-» (on Russian) operates on a site where applicants can get answers to their questions. <http://www.kazpatent.kz/index.php?lang=rus&uin=1208952107>.

Also every year by e-mail increases the interaction between users and NIIP. So e-mail of our Office kazpatent@kazpatent.kz received over 3,000 documents and sent more than 400 documents.

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

<http://www.kazpatent.kz/index.php?lang=rus&uin=1295951549>

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's publications are distributed on the basis of mutual exchange, free of charge as defined in the Law on Print (compulsory distribution), and on a commercial basis.

NIIP carries out mutual exchange of Official Gazettes, Annual Reports and databases with near and far abroad countries and the international organizations. About 886 copies of NIIP's publications were distributed including Journal Intellectual Property of Kazakhstan and Official Gazette in 2011.

Exchange of machine-readable information

672 units, including optical disks with patent information, were received in 2011 from foreign patent offices. The exchange of patent information is carried out on paper as well as optical carriers.

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 was held on April 22, 2012. The Contest promotes the role of Innovation and Invention in the country, investment promotion and implementation of development in the manufacturing sector. WIPO has established seven awards and EAPO has created Gold medal named after V.I. Blinnikov "For a contribution to invention and patent branch" for Kazakh inventors.

Seminar on "Intellectual Property Rights and Access to Medicines: Challenges and Opportunities in the negotiations on accession to the WTO, free trade agreements and the development of national law" was held in Almaty from 14 to 16 April, 2011.

N..Abdrakhim (as Head of the Committee for intellectual property rights of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan) and S.Bekenov (as Director of State Enterprise «National Institute of Intellectual Property» of the Committee for Intellectual Property Rights of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan) represented the Republic of Kazakhstan on Forty-Ninth Series of Meetings of the Assemblies of WIPO Member States, which were held in Geneva from September 26 to October 5, 2011.

Training courses for national and foreign participants

During 2011 26 seminars and "roundtable discussions" were held by the Training Center of the Branch of State Enterprise "National Institute of Intellectual Property", which were attended by 433 participants.

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 trademarks, 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