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Annual Technical Report 2010 on Trademark Information Activities submitted by Armenia (CWS/ATR/TM/2010/AM)

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

In 2010 1959 applications for registration of trademarks under national procedure were filed with the Intellectual Property Agency (1707 applications for 2009), 1499 applications were registered (1297 for 2009) and 120 applications on trademarks were refused. 3270 notifications were received under Madrid Agreement for international registration of trademarks with indication of Armenia (3330 notifications for 2009).

Decision was made for preliminary refusal of 299 international registrations (591 for 2009).

The statistic data on trademarks are given on the following site <http://www.aipa.am> of the Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Armenia.

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

In 2010 12 issues of the Official Bulletin "Industrial Property" were published in the form of CD-ROM: 1 - 12. Bulletins were published in 2 languages in Armenian and in Russian, which included official information on patents on 124 inventions, 41 utility models, certificates on 22 industrial designs, 1565 registered trademarks and service marks and trademark registration renewals, trademarks that have been recognized as well-known, as well as information on registration of licenses and assignment agreements of patents and trademarks.

Based on the provisions of the new "Law on Trademarks" of the Republic of Armenia the bulletin "Applications on Trademarks and Service Marks" was published. In 2010 10 issues of the bulletin were published (8/1) - (12/2).

Schemes of 124 inventions and 41 utility models have been inputted, full descriptions of first pages and claims of electronic forms as well as description of 22 industrial designs have been prepared and published and distributed to the patent owners and libraries, put in the intranet of the Agency for inner use, as well as on the website of the Agency and on optical disc "CISPATENT" for public use.

The annual reports of 2009 were prepared and published in Armenian, Russian and English. The electronic versions were worked out and inserted on the Internet site.

Technical and Statistic reports on inventions for the year of 2009 have been made to be presented to the World Intellectual Property Organization.

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

Upon registration of trademarks, goods and services are classified according to the 9-th edition of the International Classification of Goods and Services (Nice Agreement), and figurative elements of trademarks are classified according to International Classification of Figurative Elements of Marks (Vienna Agreement).

The list of goods and services in the application for registration of trademarks are indicated by the applicant according to ICTS.

Electronic database is available for received applications and registered trademarks.

With the help of electronic base the search on trademarks is practically carried out by all bibliographic data.

IV. Trademark manual search file establishment and upkeep

The Agency kept on works towards update of the foundation of the Armenian Centre for Scientific and Technical Information. The information received from patent offices of foreign countries is forwarded to the Centre.

V. Activities in the field of computerized trademark search systems

The Agency uses the third subversion of "trademark" database designed for examination and record keeping and provides:

- Accumulation of bibliographic data in three languages (Armenian, Russian, English)
- Accumulation and control of fees
- Automation of record keeping
- Outlet of statistic data
- Publication of bibliographic data
- Search of information.

In the reporting period a system for filing the applications on trademarks and service marks and industrial designs electronically on the website of the Agency has been created.

Within the framework of information exchange between the EPO and other patent offices' an opportunity to make an extraction from the database of inventions and utility models of the first pages on the XML format was granted.

Amendments were made in the patent attorneys' database. Any amendment is made in the patent attorneys' database the data are automatically updated and seen on the web of the Agency.

Amendments in the subsystem of trademarks and service marks were made connected with the adoption of the new "Law on Trademarks" of the Republic of Armenia. Relevant amendments were made also on the web of the Agency.

Based on the new Law on Trade Names, which entered into force since January 1, 2009 an opportunity for filing the applications on trade names with the Agency electronically was granted to the Central Bank.

In the reporting period automation and technical re-equipment of the Agency has been continued. The Agency has been re-equipped with 11 computers of type Intel(R) Core(TM) 2 DUO and computer supplementary devices and equipments. Shortcomings and omissions in the information system of the Agency revealed in the course of its exploitation have been eliminated.

Windows XP, "Windows Vista" system and Microsoft Office have been installed, service of operation system, installation of software, diagnostics of infected computers and programs have been carried out, and operation failures have been removed.

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)

Trademarks database of the Agency is available via Internet (<http://www.aipa.am>). The page contains the following information:

- Trademark registration under the national procedure
- Trademark registration under the international procedure
- Well-known trademarks.

VII. Matters concerning mutual exchange of trademark documentation and information

The Official Bulletins on "Industrial Property", containing notifications on trademarks are sent free of charge to the Armenian Research Institute of Scientific and Technical Information, Main Library of the National Academy of Sciences, the libraries of the Armenian State University, the State Engineering University of the Republic of Armenia, the Armenian Academy of Agriculture, the State Public Library and to the Book Chamber of Armenia. Official Bulletins have also been sent to the Marzes of the Republic of Armenia free of charge.

Since 2005 the Agency was given access to the ROMARIN search on trademarks from the WIPO Internet site.

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)

1. TRAINING PROGRAM WIPO WORLDWIDE ACADEMY, June 9-25, 2010 (1 participant).
2. Eastern Partnership, Seminar on IP rights at the tired meeting of the Trade panel, 18-21 October, Brussels, Belgium, (2 participants).
3. USPTO Global Intellectual Property Academy, Trademark office administration program, 29 November-2 December 2010, Alexandria, USA (1 participant)..

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

Patent information of the Agency is available to the wide public as well as via Internet (<http://www.aipa.am>). The page contains the following information sections:

Statistic data

Annual reports

Patent attorneys

Contact information

Links

Laws

Official Publications

Well-known Trademarks

Appellation of Origin

Information-search system

Trade Names

Inventions and Utility Models

- Registered under the national procedure

- Patents registered at EAPO and protected on the territory of the Republic of Armenia

Database of Trademarks

- Registered under the national procedure

- Granted legal protection under international procedure

The information is available in three languages (Armenian, Russian, English).

X. Other relevant matters