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Annual Technical Report 2007 on Trademark Information Activities submitted by Armenia (SCIT/ATR/TM/2007/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 2007 1477 applications for registration of trademarks under national procedure were filed with the Intellectual Property Agency (1440 applications for 2006), 1164 applications were registered (1100 for 2006) and 80 applications on trademarks were refused.

3219 notifications were received under Madrid Agreement for international registration of trademarks with indication of Armenia (2798 notifications for 2006).

Decision was made for preliminary refusal of 392 international registrations (433 for 2006).

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 2007 4 numbers of the Official Bulletins "Industrial Property" were published:

No 1 (41), No 2 (42), No 3 (43) and No 4(44) in CD-ROM format. The Bulletins were published in Armenian, Russian and comprising the official information on 1218 registered trademarks and service marks, information on trademark extension of 349 registered trademarks as well as information on trademarks recognized as well-known, on registered trade names, on registration of trademark licensing agreements and agreements on assignment contracts of patents and trademarks.

Technical and Statistic reports on trademarks and service marks for 2006 have been prepared and 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 8-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:

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

In the reporting period automation and technical re-equipment of the Agency has been continued. The Agency has purchased six computers of type Intel (R)Core(TM) DUO as well as 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. A series of changes and supplements have been made with the aim of coping with the tasks having been raised as a result of improvement of works carried out in the Agency.

Microsoft XP, Windows Vista Office and Microsoft Office have been installed and adjusted, service of operation system, installation and adjustment of computer programs, diagnostics of infected and damaged computers and programs and elimination of errors, installation of trademark and trade name databases have been carried out.

Installation and operation of program Microsoft Windows Server Update Services 3.0 has been carried out.

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.

According to the preliminary arrangements on patent information exchange, 21 copies of Official Bulletin of the Agency were sent to the Patent offices of foreign countries, as well as to WIPO, EPO and EAPO.

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)

Studies in Russian State Institute of Intellectual Property (2 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:

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
- Information-search system
- Trademarks Database

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X. Other relevant matters