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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.

The expression "industrial designs" covers industrial designs and models. Offices which issue design patents should report their design patent information activities in this series of Annual Technical Reports.

I. Evolution of registration activities

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

In 2007 of procedure of filing of applications, carrying out of examination and granting of patents on industrial designs have remained constant.

Trends or areas experiencing rapid changes with respect to the previous year

The number of the filed applications for granting of patents on industrial designs in 2007 was 69 applications that the indication is fewer than past year (69 applications).

Most of applications were filed in following classes of the International Classification of Industrial Designs (ICID): 9th class (container, packing and containers) - 24 applications and 7th class (subjects of house equipment) - 6 applications; on the specified classes 46,2 % from total of the filed applications are necessary.

76 industrial designs were registered in 2007, that is more 5,6 % than in the past year.

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

Address of web-page on which statistical data on industrial designs is contained: <http://www.patent.uz/statistics.htm>

II. Matters concerning the generation, reproduction, and distribution of industrial design documents and of secondary sources of industrial design information, i.e., official gazettes

Publishing, including printing, copying techniques and electronic printing

In 2007 official publications of the office on industrial designs joined in following editions:

- official bulletin «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» - 12 issues (on CD-ROM);
 - publication sheets to patents for industrial designs - 46 publication sheets (on a paper);
 - collection of annual indexes to the official bulletin «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» (section of the index on industrial designs) on the electronic carrier.
- Data on the registered industrial designs are published in section "Industrial designs" of the official bulletin «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» which from 2004 is issued on CD-ROM. Data on industrial designs includes bibliographic data and image. In 2007 in official bulletins data on 79 industrial designs were published.

Main types of announcements of the Office in the field of industrial design information

The most important announcements, concerning activity of the office on industrial designs are placed in section "Communiques" of the bulletin «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» and on the website of the office (www.patent.uz).

Mass storage media and microforms used

The SPO has a full collection of patent documents of Uzbekistan on industrial designs on paper. Patent documents are stored also in bibliographic databases and in electronic storehouses.

Databases and office automation

During processing of applications, all the documents, concerning industrial designs, are scanned and kept as facsimile form in format TIFF.

Descriptions and the list of essential attributes are recognized by system OCR and kept in format MS-Word. Images of industrial designs are entered in format JPG, by means of program Adobe PhotoShop.

Assembly of the chapter of the official bulletin on industrial designs is carried out in the automated mode on the workplace of the employees of the office of publication division. By specialized inquiry, bibliographic data from a database (SUBD MS SQL Server 2000) are selected and sorted.

The subsequent operations (page makeup, replication) are made by means of programs Word and Adobe Acrobat.

URLs of web pages of the Office's website that provide access to online industrial design gazettes and to other sources of industrial design information, including download of bulk industrial design data

Address of the web-page on which the official bulletin is placed: <http://www.patent.uz/bul.htm>. Access on the given page is carried out through the main page web-site SPO from section « Electronic editions ».

III. Matters concerning classifying, reclassifying and indexing of industrial design information according to the classification systems applied

Classification and reclassification activities; Classification system used, e.g., International Classification for Industrial Designs (Locarno Classification), other classification (please indicate whether industrial designs are classified by your Office and, if so, which classification is used)

Applications for industrial designs are classified according to 8th edition of the International Classification of Industrial Designs (Locarno Agreement). Other classification systems are not applied.

Bibliographic data and processing

Bibliographic data are kept in the form of dynamic XML - documents and in the internal database constructed on the basis of SUBD MS SQL Server 2000, which are maintained and updated during life cycle of the application by all departments involved in process. Changes in base will be authorized. Interfaces of access to base are constructed on the basis of Intranet-technologies.

IV. Search file establishment and upkeep

File building

The search file on a paper and optical disks is formed on the basis of collection of the State Fund of the Patent Documentation and includes materials on the industrial designs, 24 countries containing in foreign official bulletins, WIPO and the incorporated cumulative editions on the industrial designs, prepared by INIC Rospatent; is placed by a geographical principle. The retrospective part is presented by photograph collection of industrial designs.

Under national patent documents the bibliographic database and electronic file (text) storehouses for internal use are conducted.

Updating

Search files on paper and a part on CD/DVD-ROM are updated monthly, some CDs/DVD-ROM are updated annually.

Bibliographic data and files of documents in electronic storehouse on national documents can replenish and/or be corrected in process of the reference.

Storage, including mass storage media

Conditions of storage of fund depend mostly on kinds of data carriers: patent documents on a paper are stored in wall cases, photograph collection on microfilms - in boxes, on CD-ROM and DVD-ROM - in stores in wall cases.

Bases of bibliographic, office work data and file storehouse are stored on specialized file-server on which with a view of safety reserve copying on an additional server is carried out.

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

In 2007 the State Fund of the Patent Documentation has replenished with the patent-information publications containing data on industrial designs, of 21 countries of the world and WIPO.

V. Activities in the field of computerized search systems for industrial designs

In-house systems (online/offline)

In a stage of operational testing there is Internal portal SPO which realizes functions of the patent-information search system, regulated statistics and is integrated with working system of document circulation and office-work SATOZ ("Through automated technology of processing of applications").

External databases

The following concern to popular databases most widely used by examiners on the Internet: Google, Rambler, Yahoo, and Yandex.

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

The full-function system of administration is in SATOZ, providing authorization, access to the information, safety, and management of the rights of users, groups and options of system.

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

The equipment: Server group, network infrastructure (cable communications, routers), workstations (from P-II, up to P-V), periphery (printers, scanners).

Operational system: Windows 2003 (servers SQL Server 2000/2003, Exchange 2003, ISA, IIS, a server of reserve copying/restoration of the information), Windows 2000/XP (workstations).

The applied software: SATOZ/Landocs, an external site www.patent.uz, an internal site (PIPS), System of testing of knowledge.

Applied systems: "LAW", system of machine translation Prompt 10, system of dictionaries Lingvo 10, ORT-system Fine Reader, office system MS Office (professional), MS Visio, MS Project.

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

Planning, administration, automation, security

Completes the patent information on industrial designs the State Fund of Patent documentation SPO which practically is a unique full collection of the patent documentation in territory of Uzbekistan and carries out patent-information service both examination staff of the office, and the broad audience of the public, i.e. carries out functions of public library.

Collection management, preservation

The collection of Fund includes patent bulletins with data on industrial designs of 24 countries, WIPO and cumulative collection INIC of Rospatent, including on CD-ROM disks - 9 countries and WIPO. The collection is placed on the countries and years. Acquisition is carried out on the international exchange, by way of a subscription and acquisition by own editions. The collection on microforms is located in basement storehouses, and on CD-ROM disks - in stores in wall cases.

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

Issue of patent documents on traditional carriers is carried out directly in reading rooms, and also in electronic fund in which the patent documentation and the information on industrial designs on optical disks is presented.

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

The address of web-page on which the information on filing and consideration of applications on industrial designs is contained: <http://www.patent.uz/promobraz.htm>. Access on the given page is carried out through the main page web-site SPO from section " IP objects ".

URLs of web pages of the Office's website that provide information on business procedures such as: filing, publication, examination and registration procedures related to industrial designs; opposition and appeal procedures related to industrial designs; etc.

The address of web-page on which the information on the order of granting of patents is contained: <http://www.patent.uz/vedomakts.htm>. Access on the given page is carried out through the main page web-site SPO from section « Legislation / Office acts ».

The address of web-page on which the information on appeal procedure is contained: <http://www.patent.uz/pravsovet.htm>. Access on the given page is carried out through the main page web-site SPO from section « Adjudication of validity » .

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

The address of web-page on which the form of application for carrying out of patent-information services carried out by the office in on-line is contained: <http://www.patent.uz/vremenie.htm> (<http://www.patent.uz/uslugs.htm>). Access on the given page is carried out through the main page web-site SPO from section « Patent fee and tariff / Tariffs for SPO services » .

VII. Matters concerning mutual exchange of industrial design documentation and information

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

Official bulletin SPO «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» with data on the registered industrial designs by way of bilateral exchange is dispatched in patent offices of 27 countries, also to international organizations WIPO, EPO and EAPO regional organization.

Exchange of machine-readable information, e.g., data contained on CD-ROM or magnetic tape

Official bulletin of the SPO «Rasmiy Ahborotnoma» with data on the registered industrial designs on CD-ROM disks by way of bilateral exchange is sent to patent offices of 27 countries, EPO, WIPO and EAPO. On bilateral exchange in SPO in 2007 official bulletins with data on industrial designs from offices of 21 countries and WIPO (from them on 9 on CD-ROM disks), and also incorporated edition INIC of Rospatent "Industrial designs of foreign countries" have acted.

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.)

Activity of SPO in the field of industrial designs is by means of seminars, organized for experts, specialists, businessmen, etc. Publications on necessity of industrial designs protection are published in mass media. The manual " How to get a patent of Republic Uzbekistan on the industrial designs. Its legal protection" is published for a wide range of experts.

Training courses for national and foreign participants

Experts of the office lecture in courses to students of higher educational institutions on industrial design.

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 industrial designs

<http://www.patent.uz/zakons.htm>. Access on the given page is carried out through the main page web-site SPO from section " Legislation / Legislation acts of Republic of Uzbekistan ".

contain the Annual Report of the Office

<http://www.patent.uz/bul.htm>. Access on the given page is carried out through the main page web-site SPO from section " Electronic Publication "

contain industrial design-related news regarding the Office

The address of web-page on which Annual industrial design-related news regarding the Office contain: <http://www.patent.uz/bul.htm>. Access on the given page is carried out through the main page web-site SPO from section "Electronic Publication"

X. Other relevant matters