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Annual Technical Report 2011 on Industrial Design Information Activities submitted by Kazakhstan (CWS/ATR/ID/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.

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

There are 275 documents of title which were granted in 2011. And 255 patents for industrial designs were issued in 2010. Thereby the issue of documents of title increased by 8,4 %.

There were 257 industrial design applications in 2011 (136 applications were filed by the national applicants, 121 applications were filed by the foreign applicants) and 256 applications in 2010.

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

Statistics related to industrial designs can be found in Annual Report at www.kazpatent.kz.

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

Industrial design information is available on paper and optical carriers.

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

Databases and office automation

Bibliographic data for Gazette is generated automatically from the database. Abstracts, full descriptions and claims are scanned, recognized and edited. Texts can be typed in case the recognition is not possible. The Office uses program ABBYY FineReader 7.0 for Optical Character Recognition.

It is expected to develop an open industrial design database register for efficient work with the national and foreign applicants. This database will make it possible to computerize the office management as well as develop an electronic gazette on industrial designs.

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)

The Office uses International Classification for Industrial Designs (Locarno Classification) for classifying industrial designs.

Bibliographic data and processing

For identification of bibliographic data our Office uses the international INID codes.

IV. 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 industrial designs, 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.

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

In-house systems (online/offline)

There is used an on-line automated system for search procedures, which includes information on industrial designs filed with NIIP.

External databases

Examiners use following external databases for examination purposes: EAPATIS, esp@cenet, PATENTSCOPE, and open registers of Rospatent, RUPAT and RUPAT OLD.

Also every year the Ministry of Justice of RK gets the updated database "Invention of the countries of the world".

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), data 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 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)

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 industrial design 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 industrial design applications

Currently the System for electronic filing of industrial design applications is being developed. Instructions on filing application for industrial property subject matters is at: http://www.kazpatent.kz/index.php? lang=rus&uin=1208951998&id=1209467172

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 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 industrial design documentation and information

International or regional cooperation in the exchange of industrial design 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, e.g., data contained on CD-ROM or magnetic tape

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 industrial designs

Information on legislation in the field of industrial designs, 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