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### **THE HAGUE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL DEPOSIT OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS**

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

#### **Republic of Bulgaria Declaration of Creator's Identity**

1. The Bulgarian Law on Industrial Designs of September 14, 1999, which entered into force on December 15, 1999, requires the national or international applicant to declare, in his application, the identity of the creator of the designs to which the applications relates.
2. Moreover, pursuant to Article 8(4) of the 1960 Act of the Hague Agreement, Article 52(2) of the same Law provides that, where an application for international deposit does not contain the required information, the Bulgarian Office will demand directly of the applicant that he declare the creator's identity. Article 52(2) provides further that, if the declaration is not filed within a period of two months from the sending of the request to that end, the application will be considered withdrawn in respect of Bulgaria. In no event may the International Bureau intervene in this procedure.
3. The International Bureau therefore advises applicants who designate Bulgaria in their international deposit applications to declare the identity of the creator as a matter of course under Item III of the application form.

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