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THE HAGUE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL DEPOSIT OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS

Extension to 25 years of the term of protection accorded by Italy to designs deposited internationally

1. The International Bureau has been advised by the Italian Patent and Trademark Office that Italian design registrations still in force on April 9, 2001, may be prolonged up to a maximum of 25 years from the date of deposit. This extension of the maximum term of protection from 15 to 25 years will also be applicable to international deposits having effect in Italy.
2. Users of the Hague system are invited to note the above information for the purposes of their renewal requests for international deposits designating Italy.

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