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THE HAGUE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS

Entry into force of the Common Regulations: Fees

1. In view of the entry into force, on April 1, 2004, of the Common Regulations under the 1999 Act, the 1960 Act and the 1934 Act of the Hague Agreement (see Information Notice No. 12/2003), the attention of users of the Hague system is drawn to the following.

Schedule of Fees

2. The Common Regulations under the 1999 Act, the 1960 Act and the 1934 Act comprise a new Schedule of Fees. Such Schedule of Fees, in contrast with that currently in force, contains three new fees and one fee deletion. The three new fees consist of:

- a fee where the description exceeds 100 words (2 Swiss francs per word exceeding 100);
- a fee for the recording of a renunciation (144 Swiss francs per registration);
- a fee for the recording of a limitation (144 Swiss francs per registration).

3. The fee which has been deleted is that currently required where deferment of publication is requested (93 Swiss francs). Such fee will no longer be required under the Common Regulations.

4. Subject to paragraphs 2 and 3 above, the amount of the current fees remained unchanged in the Schedule of Fees provided for in the Common Regulations.

Individual Designation Fee

5. The term “State novelty examination fee”, currently used in the Regulations under the 1960 and the 1934 Acts, has been replaced by “individual designation fee” under the Common Regulations. The Contracting Parties requiring an individual designation fee, along with the amounts of such fee, established in accordance with Article 7(2) of the 1999 Act and/or Rule 36(1) of the Common Regulations, may be consulted on WIPO’s website, at the following address: www.wipo.int.

6. Moreover, where an international application (filed as from April 1, 2004) designates a Contracting Party in respect of which an individual designation fee is payable, the method of calculation of such fee will change: while, under the current procedure, the standard designation fee (42 Swiss francs) must always be paid and then *deducted* from the amount of the State novelty examination fees, the payment of the relevant individual designation fee will be *in place of* the standard designation fee.

7. Further information concerning the different issues relating to fees may be obtained by consulting the *Guide for the International Registration of Industrial Designs*, which is also available on WIPO's website.

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