

Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs

Indication relating to a declaration under Article 7(2) of the 1999 Act: African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI)

1. On January 30, 2013, the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) received from the African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) a declaration whereby, with reference to its declaration made in 2008, under Article 7(2) of the 1999 Act of the Hague Agreement, OAPI further indicates that, for international applications filed by applicants whose sole entitlement is a connection with a least developed country (LDC), in accordance with the list established by the United Nations, or with an intergovernmental organization the majority of whose member States are LDCs, the individual fees intended for the designation of OAPI are reduced to 10 per cent of the prescribed amounts (rounded to the nearest full figure).
2. Through that declaration OAPI further indicates that this reduction also applies in respect of an international application filed by an applicant whose entitlement is not solely a connection with such an intergovernmental organization, provided that any other entitlement of the applicant is a connection with a Contracting Party which is an LDC or, if not an LDC, is a member State of that intergovernmental organization and the international application is governed exclusively by the 1999 Act.
3. Consequently, for applicants who fulfill the criteria enunciated in the declaration, the amounts of the individual fee intended for the designation of OAPI are the following:

ITEMS		Amounts <i>(in Swiss francs)</i>
International Application	– for a single deposit	8
	– for a multiple deposit	12

4. This change will take effect on April 30, 2013.

February 25, 2013