

Madrid Protocol Concerning the International Registration of Marks

Change in the Amounts of the Individual Fee: Japan

1. The Government of Japan has notified to the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) a declaration modifying the amounts of the individual fee payable with respect to Japan under Article 8(7) of the Madrid Protocol.

2. In accordance with Rule 35(2)(b) of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement and Protocol, the Director General of WIPO has, after consultation with the Office of Japan, established the following new amounts, in Swiss francs, of the said individual fee:

ITEMS		Amounts <i>(in Swiss francs)</i>
Application or Subsequent Designation	<u>First Part:</u>	
	– for one class of goods or services	92
	– for each additional class	70
	<u>Second Part:</u>	
	– for each class of goods or services	229
Renewal	– for each class of goods or services	315

3. This change will take effect on April 1, 2016. Therefore, these amounts will be payable where Japan

(a) is designated in an international application which is received, or is deemed to have been received under Rule 11(1)(c), by the Office of origin on or after that date; or

(b) is the subject of a subsequent designation which is received by the Office of the Contracting Party of the holder on or after that date, or is filed directly with the International Bureau of WIPO on or after that date; or

(c) has been designated in an international registration which is renewed on or after that date.

4. It should be noted that, pursuant to Rules 34(3)(a) and (7)(c), the new amount for the individual fee will apply as from April 1, 2016. The International Bureau indicates, in a notification for the payment for the second part of the individual fee, the amount in force at the time of the issuance of that notification. However, the new amount will apply if the payment is made on or after April 1, 2016, regardless of the amount indicated in the International Bureau's notification. Payment should be made by the due date indicated in the notification, as determined by the Japan Patent Office. If this is not the case, the designation of Japan will be cancelled.

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