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Madam, Sir.

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Please allow me to remind you that the industrial property statistics annual questionnaires for 2004 are available at our website http://www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/data_collection.

We should be grateful if you would download and complete the questionnaires as soon as possible and return them to Mr. William Meredith, Head, IP Statistics Section, PCT and Patents Arbitration and Mediation Center and Global Intellectual Property Issues by e-mail (ipstats.mail@wipo.int) or by facsimile (41 22 338 84 95).

There are several modifications that need to be taken into account, including the representation of PCT applications in patent statistics and the inclusion of multiple classes in trademark statistics. An explanatory note is attached to guide you in the completion of these tables.

I very much hope that we may count on your cooperation in the preparation of the 2004 annual statistical publication.

Sincerely yours,

Francis Gurry Deputy Director General

WIPO Industrial Property Statistics – Data Collection 2004 Explanatory Note

General Definitions

Office Information	Enter the 2-character country code for your office.				
Reporting Office	This will automatically copy into the line for "domestic" applications in the data table				
Notes	Please use this box to add any necessary explanatory notes related to your responses				
Country of Origin	Country of origin is the state of domicile or establishment of the first applicant or assignee of an intellectual property right.				
	If your office uses a different criteria for country of origin, please state this in the explanatory notes box.				
Office of Priority	Office of priority is the office with which the earliest priority application for an intellectual property right was filed.				

Patent Definitions

Direct National/Regional	Please report the number of applications/grants which were applied for through direct national or regional applications.
	Designations under the PCT or regional patent systems should not be reported in this category.
PCT National/Regional	Please report the number of applications/grants which were applied for via the PCT route.
	Designations under the PCT or under regional patent systems should not be reported in this category.
	If your office does not distinguish national applications/grants from PCT, please note this in the explanatory notes box and report all applications as "Direct National/Regional".
Patents in Force – National, PCT, Regional	Please report the number of patents in force at the end of the year which were granted/issued via the following routes:
	National – based on a direct national filing with your office.
	PCT – based on a PCT national phase application filed with your office.
	Regional – based on direct filings granted by a regional office, and in force in your office/country.
	Regional via PCT – based on a PCT regional phase application granted by a regional patent office and in force in your office/country.

Marks and Industrial Designs - Definitions

Number of Applications or Registrations and	A single application may be for one or several classes, depending on the jurisdiction.
Classes	Please report the number of the applications/registrations and the number of classes applied for in those applications/registrations.
	If your office does not record this information, please note this in the explanatory notes box and leave the "Classes" column blank.

Utility Models, Petty Patents, etc.

Type of Protection	A single questionnaire is provided for Utility Models, Petty Patents and other forms of protection for inventions other than patents.
	Please use one questionnaire for each type of protection available in your country other than patents, and specify the type of protection in the space provided at the top of the questionnaire.