

Diplomatic Conference to Conclude and Adopt a Design Law Treaty (DLT)

Riyadh, November 11 to 22, 2024

ARTICLE 1BIS

Proposal by the Delegation of the United States of America

The Delegation of the United States of America has submitted to the Secretariat of the Diplomatic Conference the proposal contained in the Annex to the present document.

[Annex follows]

Design Law Treaty – US Proposal

Article 1bis General Principles

- (1) *[No Regulation of Substantive Industrial Design Law]* Nothing in this Treaty or the Regulations is intended to be construed as prescribing anything that would limit the freedom of a Contracting Party to prescribe such requirements of the applicable substantive law relating to industrial designs as it desires.
- (2) *[Relation to Other Treaties]* Nothing in this Treaty shall derogate from any obligations that Contracting Parties have to each other under any other treaties.
- (3) *[More Favorable Requirements]* A Contracting Party shall be free to provide for requirements which, from the viewpoint of applicants and owners, are more favorable than the requirements referred to in this Treaty and the Regulations, other than Article 5.

[End of Annex and of document]