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Subject: cicular SCIT 2456/03

Dear Sir,

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With relation to the circular SCIT 2456/03 of August 2, 1999, the Netherlands Industrial Property Office would like to inform you that it has no objection to the approach taken by the International Bureau in amending WIPO Standard ST. 14.

It should, however, be reminded that WIPO Standard ST.14 only deals with the inclusion of references <u>cited in patent documents</u> (emphasis added by NL). The Standard therefore is not the general place for provisions how to cite industrial design documents.

Yours sincerely,

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