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THE HAGUE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS

Entry into force of the Common Regulations: Forms

- 1. In view of the entry into force, on April 1, 2004, of the Common Regulations under the 1999 Act, the 1960 Act and the 1934 Act of the Hague Agreement (see Information Notice No. 12/2003), the attention of users of the Hague system is drawn to the following.
- 2. As from April 1, 2004, users of the Hague system will be required to use the new forms established by the International Bureau. In order for users to become acquainted with all such forms, the latter have already been made available on WIPO's website at the following address: www.wipo.int (headings "Activities & Services" and "International Designs").
- 3. It is in particular to be noted that, contrary to the current international procedure, the following requests will be required to be presented on an **official form** as from April 1, 2004:
- a request for the recording of a change in the name or address of the holder (form DM/6);
- a request for the recording of a renunciation of the international registration in respect of any or all of the designated Contracting Parties (form DM/5);
- a request for the recording of a limitation in respect of any or all of the designated Contracting Parties, to one or some of the industrial designs (form DM/3).
- 4. In contrast also with the current international procedure, three unofficial forms (the use of which is therefore not compulsory) will be made available for the convenience of representatives, namely:
 - a request for the recording of the appointment of a representative (form DM/7);
- a request for the recording of a change in name and/or address of the representative (form DM/8);
- a request for the cancellation of the recording of the appointment of a representative (form DM/9).
- 5. Further information concerning all new forms may be obtained by consulting the *Guide* for the International Registration of Industrial Designs, which is also available on WIPO's website.