

INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 8/2015

Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs

Designation of the Republic of Korea in an international application: priority claim under Article 4 of the Paris Convention

- 1. The Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) has indicated in a letter of November 7, 2015, addressed to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization, that where an international application designating the Republic of Korea contains a priority claim, the priority document may be submitted to KIPO, through the International Bureau, by using the section for the declaration claiming the exception to lack of novelty in the E-filing interface, under the tab "More optional contents", or by using Annex II to form DM/1 (Application for International Registration).
- 2. Where the priority document is not submitted as prescribed under the previous paragraph, it may be submitted directly to KIPO. In such a case, the priority document must be submitted to KIPO within three months from the date of publication of the international registration in the *International Designs Bulletin*. If the holder resides outside the country, it must be submitted through a local representative. The priority claim will be disregarded by KIPO if the priority document is not submitted within this period.

November 18, 2015