

INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 14/2016

Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs

Entry into force of the eleventh edition of the Locarno Classification

1. A new edition of the international classification used for the purposes of the registration of industrial designs (Locarno Classification) will enter into force on January 1, 2017. In conformity with its previous practice, the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) does not reclassify the products, which constitute an industrial design or in relation to which an industrial design is to be used, in the international registrations classified according to a previous edition.

2. The International Bureau of WIPO will apply the eleventh edition of the Locarno Classification to all international applications that have a filing date on or after January 1, 2017.

3. The eleventh edition of the Locarno Classification will be available on the WIPO website from January 1, 2017, at the following address: http://www.wipo.int/classifications/locarno/en/.

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