

INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 6/2016

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. Further to Information Notice No. 8/2015 dated November 18, 2015, users are hereby informed that the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization has established a dedicated path to submit a priority document, through the International Bureau, to the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO). Accordingly, the present information notice supersedes and replaces Information Notice No. 8/2015.
- 2. Where an international application designating the Republic of Korea contains a priority claim, the priority document may be submitted by using the section for claiming priority in the E-filing interface, under the tab "Priority" (note that the button to submit the priority document is available only where the Republic of Korea is designated), or by using new Annex V to form DM/1 ("Application for International Registration"; note that this new annex may be used only for the purpose of a designation of the Republic of Korea).
- 3. 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. If the priority document is not submitted within this period, the right of priority will be lost with respect to the designation of the Republic of Korea.

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