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Subject : MCD Error and Warning Reports

The EPO proposes to produce information on a regular basis about errors and
warnings which have been generated when loading documents into the MCD. Two
different files per office will be produced, one for errors and one for warnings. The
files will be in the form of delimited text files. The list of fields which the files will
contain is shown in Appendix 1.

Files will be posted on the WIPO website, and access will be restricted so that
offices can only retrieve their own files.

Symbols generating errors are not stored in the MCD. Warning messages are for
information only, and do not prevent symbols from being stored. Errors for a
particular document are kept until a new set of symbols is supplied for that
document. Warnings are kept for a period of three months.

Appendix 2 shows the list of possible error and warning messages.

Appendix 1 - List of fields contained in the files

Data about the error or warning

1. error code
2. document country code
3. document sequence number
4. document kind code
5. date and time at which error or warning was generated

Input IPC data which generated the error or warning

6. symbol
7. version indicator
8. classification level
9. first / later indicator
10. classification value
11. action date
12. original / reclassified indicator
13. classification source
14. generating office

Appendix 2 - List of possible messages

E001 - IPC symbol invalid - symbol does not exist
E002 - IPC symbol invalid - symbol not valid on given date
E003 - Unrecognisable date encountered
E035 - (Reclassification) Original / Reclassified data not 'R', or 'D', IPC not loaded
E051 - IPC 'R' symbol sent which is not part of any revision project, symbol dropped

W004 - Classification Level incorrect, value from Validity File taken
W005 - Version Indicator incorrect, value from Validity File taken
W006 - First/Later indicator invalid, indicator left blank
W007 - Classification value invalid, defaulted to 'N' (indexing code) or 'I' (the rest)
W008 - Indexing code not allowed as invention information, changed to 'N'
W009 - No invention information provided
W010 - Action date empty, or invalid, set to publication date
W011 - Original/Reclass indicator not 'B', 'R', 'V' or 'D', defaulted to 'B'
W012 - Original/Reclass indicator 'R' provided as new publication data in front file
W013 - Source indicator not 'H', 'M' or 'G', defaulted to 'H'
W014 - Generating office not provided, set to CC of Publication ID
W015 - IPC symbol already supplied for the same publication, duplicate dropped
W036 - 'D' symbol cannot be found in MCD
W042 - Reclassification not part of the revision project being processed
W044 - Reclassification changed all family inventive information to non-inventive
W048 - Additional information delivered as first classification - First/Later set to 'L'
W049 - First/later 'F' provided is inconsistent with other symbols, defaulted to 'L'
W051 - IPC 'R' or 'D' Symbol sent which is not part of any revision project