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### **LATEST RECORDALS IN THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTER OF MARKS, AS WELL AS PENDING INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS, NOW AVAILABLE ON INTERNET AS DAILY ROMARIN UPDATE FILES**

Starting with ROMARIN disk No. 2/1997, a new version of the ROMARIN CD-ROM (*Read Only memory of Madrid Actualized Registry Information*) has now been released into production.

The new version of ROMARIN offers many new improvements that take advantage of the most recent innovations in the area of information technology. The most important improvement is the inclusion of a parallel search capability that not only enables ROMARIN subscribers to simultaneously search multiple CD-ROM's from the ROMARIN family (including BENELUX DEMAS and TRACES), but also enables the parallel searching of daily ROMARIN update files.

ROMARIN subscribers are aware that, by the time they receive their ROMARIN disk each month, the data contained in the disk actually reflect the status of the International Register of Marks as it was one to two months previously.

With the new version of ROMARIN, WIPO is offering ROMARIN subscribers the ability to keep their ROMARIN environment as up to date as possible, through the provision on Internet of daily ROMARIN update files.

A ROMARIN update file is made available on Internet on each working day of the International Bureau of WIPO. A ROMARIN update file will contain the detail of *all* recordals (including *inter alia*, new registrations, renewals, subsequent designations, refusals, changes of ownership) made in the International Register on a particular day. ROMARIN subscribers have the possibility to download these daily ROMARIN update files to their own workstation and to integrate those files into their ROMARIN environment.

The downloaded files can then be used to complement the latest ROMARIN disk, thus enabling subscribers to establish and maintain their own individual ROMARIN search environment up to date.

In addition to ROMARIN update files being made available on Internet each day, WIPO will also make available a mini ROMARIN database containing the detail of all pending international applications and subsequent designations, that is, international applications and subsequent designations that have been received by WIPO but are yet to be recorded in the International Register. The 'Pending' ROMARIN database will enable subscribers to anticipate the recordal of international registrations and subsequent designations. The 'Pending' ROMARIN database is refreshed by WIPO each day.

WIPO will also make available on Internet image files of trademarks with figurative elements whose bibliographic data appear either in a daily update file or in the 'Pending' database.

### **File Formats and File Name Structures**

The daily ROMARIN update files and the 'Pending' ROMARIN database are made available on the Internet in the same GTI TM database format as the ROMARIN CD-ROM (files having a file specification with a 'ROM' extension). The average file size of a daily update file is about 500 kB. The size of the 'Pending' ROMARIN database is variable depending on the quantity of work at hand at the International Bureau. With a 14.4 kBd modem it might take some eight to ten minutes to download a daily update file. ROMARIN subscribers having faster modems and/or Internet links will be in a position to download the daily files faster.

ROMARIN subscribers who have the ability to take advantage of ISDN connectivity to their Internet service provider are encouraged to do so for the purposes of downloading daily ROMARIN update files.

The daily update files have the following file name structure:

**Dssxxxxx.rom**

where      ss            is a numeric sequence number, that is incremented daily  
            xxxxx        is the date of recordal, for example the 13th day of February 1997  
                          (19970213) would result in an xxxxx value of 70213.

Example: 'D4170213.ROM'

The 'Pending' database has the following file name:

**pending.rom**

Very shortly WIPO will be introducing weekly and fortnightly accumulations of the daily update files. The weekly and fortnightly files will offer subscribers the possibility to maintain their ROMARIN environment as up to date as their individual requirements dictate.

Image files will have the following file name structure:

**9999999.ext**

where 9999999 is a unique identification number that is internal to WIPO  
ext will be TIF for black and white images and JPG for color and grey scale images.

Example: '1010101.TIF' or '1010102.JPG'

### **How to Access the Daily ROMARIN Update Files and the 'Pending' ROMARIN Database**

ROMARIN subscribers can access the daily ROMARIN update files via the FTP facilities of the Internet, via 'anonymous' FTP, or through hypertext linkages from the WIPO World Wide Web site.

The daily ROMARIN update files are stored on the WIPO 'FTP' site, established at the United Nations International Computing Center (UNICC) in Geneva, Switzerland.

#### Internet FTP Facilities

The address of the FTP site is:

**ftp.unicc.org port:1500**

The initial directory is:

**/wipo/romarin**

The daily update files are available in the following directory:

**/wipo/romarin/update**

The 'Pending' database is available in the following directory:

**/wipo/romarin/update**

Images of international registrations included in the daily ROMARIN update files or the 'Pending' database may also be downloaded from the same site, and can be found in the following directory:

**[/wipo/romarin/images](#)**

Anonymous FTP Access

For those ROMARIN subscribers who wish to download the daily ROMARIN update files and images using 'anonymous' FTP access, the following should be used:

username	<b>anonymous</b>
password	<b>guest</b>

WIPO Home Page Access

The FTP site is equally accessible from WIPO's own World Wide Web site:

**<http://www.wipo.int>**

where users can then link to the Madrid System 'home page' as follows:

**<http://www.wipo.int/eng/madrid/index.htm>**

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