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Change in the Amounts of the Individual Fee: Japan

1. The Government of Japan has notified to the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) a declaration modifying the amounts of the individual fee payable with respect to Japan under Article 8(7) of the Madrid Protocol.

2. In accordance with Rule 35(2)(b) of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement and Protocol, the Director General has, after consultation with the Office of Japan, established the following new amounts, in Swiss francs, of the said individual fees:

ITEMS		AMOUNTS <i>(in Swiss francs)</i>
Application or Subsequent Designation	<u>First Part:</u>	
	– for one class of goods or services	115
	– for each additional class	88
	<u>Second Part:</u>	
	– for one class of goods or services	383
	– for each additional class	383
Renewal	– for each class of goods or services	494
	– for each additional class	494

3. This change will take effect on June 1, 2008. Therefore, these amounts will be payable where Japan

(a) is designated in an international application which is received, or is deemed to have been received under Rule 11(1)(c), by the Office of origin on or after that date, or

(b) is the subject of a subsequent designation which is received by the Office of the Contracting Party of the holder on or after that date, or is filed direct with the International Bureau on or after that date, or

(c) has been designated in an international registration which is renewed on or after that date.

4. Furthermore, as far as the second part of the individual fee is concerned, it should be noted that, pursuant to Rules 34(3)(a) and (7)(c), the new amount will apply as from June 1, 2008. In this regard, it should be further noted that the International Bureau indicates, in a notification for the payment for the second part of the individual fee, the amount in force at the time of the issuance of that notification. In other words, such a notification, issued prior to June 1, 2008, may indicate the old amount. However, the new amount will apply if the payment is made on or after June 1, 2008, regardless of the fact that the old amount may have been indicated in the International Bureau's notification sent to the holder of a given international registration. Payment should, of course, be made by the due date indicated in the notification, as determined by the Japan Patent Office. If not, the designation of Japan will be cancelled.

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