HAGUE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS

Accession to the 1999 Act: European Community


2. The instrument of accession was accompanied by the following declarations:

   − a declaration as referred to in Article 4(1)(b) of the 1999 Act, to the effect that international applications may not be filed through the Office of the European Community;

   − a declaration as required under Article 17(3)(c) of the 1999 Act, specifying that the maximum duration of protection provided for by the legislation of the European Community in respect of industrial designs is 25 years;

   − a declaration as referred to in Article 7(2) of the 1999 Act, that, in connection with each international application in which it is designated, and in connection with the renewal of any international registration resulting from such an international application, the prescribed designation fee shall be replaced by an individual designation fee. The amount of the individual designation fee will be the subject of a further information notice.

3. The accession to the 1999 Act by the European Community brings the number of Contracting Parties to this Act to 24 and the total number of Contracting Parties to the Hague Agreement to 47. A list of the Contracting Parties to the Hague Agreement, indicating the date on which Contracting Parties became bound by the 1934 Act, the 1960 Act and/or the 1999 Act, is available on WIPO’s website, at the following address: www.wipo.int.

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