

## **Special Union for the International Deposit of Industrial Designs (Hague Union)**

### **Assembly**

**Thirty-Fifth (20<sup>th</sup> Ordinary) Session**  
**Geneva, October 5 to 14, 2015**

### **REPORT**

*adopted by the Assembly*

1. The Assembly was concerned with the following items of the Consolidated Agenda (document A/55/1): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 21, 31 and 32.
2. The reports on the said items, with the exception of item 21, are contained in the General Report (document A/55/13).
3. The report on item 21 is contained in the present document.
4. Ms. Sarnai Ganbayar (Mongolia) was elected Chair of the Assembly.

## ITEM 21 OF THE CONSOLIDATED AGENDA

### HAGUE SYSTEM

5. The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed the delegations to the Hague Union.
6. The Chair referred to the accession of Japan and the ratification of the United States of America of the Geneva (1999) Act of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs and welcomed their participation for the first time as members in the Assembly of the Hague Union.

#### Final Report on the Information Technology Modernization Program (Hague International Registration System):

7. Discussions were based on document H/A/35/1.
8. The Secretariat introduced the document and outlined the progress made in the Information Technology Modernization Program since the last Hague Union Assembly.
9. The Secretariat reminded that, since the last Assembly, Phase II deployment activities for the Hague Registry had been suspended due to the imminent accessions of new Hague member States, and that deployment activities would recommence only when the necessary IT system and procedural changes had been implemented in the legacy IT system, and had become stable.
10. The Secretariat also recalled that the Independent Validation and Verification (IVV) exercise being undertaken by the Madrid Registry, would also be of benefit to the Hague Registry when Phase II deployment activities were resumed.
11. The Secretariat informed that the procedural changes in the legacy IT system have stabilized, and that the planning of Phase II deployment activities has recommenced. Phase II production deployment for the Hague System has been scheduled for the second quarter of 2016.
12. The Secretariat finally informed that a list of recommendations from the IVV exercise could be found in Annex I, whilst IT Modernization Program achievements were listed in Annex II.
13. The Assembly took note of the “Final Report on the Information Technology Modernization Program (Hague International Registration System)” (document H/A/35/1).

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