Re-examination systems

Dominican Republic

Article 35 of Law No. 20-00 on Industrial Property provides: “(a) A request for reconsideration of a decision granting or cancelling a patent shall only be entertained if it is submitted in writing before the National Industrial Property Office within 30 days as from the date of notification of the decision. The request shall be accompanied by documentation setting out its grounds. (b) Once the arguments set out in the request are analyzed, the Office shall issue the appropriate decision, which shall be communicated to the requester in writing; (c) Where the decision rejects the request, it shall be communicated to the requester in writing and published in the official government gazette. Where the decision is favorable to the requester, Article 23 of this law shall apply, if relevant.”