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**PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF PATENT DOCUMENTS**

COMPILATION OF DATA ON PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF PATENT DOCUMENTS

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ISSUING COUNTRY	AR	AT	AU	BE	BG	BR	CA	CH	CN	DE	DK	EP		
TYPE OF DOCUMENT	C	B	B		A	A, B, U, S, S1, Y	A, B	A3, A5, B5	A	A	C	B, C	A1, A2, A3	B1, B2
PRINTING <i>master</i> (1) OR COPYING copies (2)	T O	P O	T P	T M	T	T P	T M	T O/M	P O	P O	P O	T O	T O	P O
INITIAL PRINTING (number of copies)		24	5 or 13	N	70	12	N	A3:70 A5:80 B5:80	10-15	60	80	95 95	110	90
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PAPER Composition Ground wood pulp % Chem. wood pulp % Ashes % Thickness (mm) Brightness Opacity		- 100	- 100		100			- 100 0.98	100 15 0.78	- 100 .089	- 100 .089	- 100 10-12		
CHARACTERISTICS OF TYPEWRITTEN OR PRINTED CHARACTERS Type used (3) Size (mm) (4)									Chinese					
MISCELLANEOUS Sheet size (5) Colour (6) Weight (grams/m <sup>2</sup> ) Grain (7)	20.9 29.8 W H	A4 W 80 V	A4 W 80 H		A4 W 90 H	A4 W 75 H	21.3 27.6 W	A4 W 70	18.6 26.1 64 V	A4 W 70 V	A4 W 70 V	A4 W 75 V	A4 W 70-75 H & V	A4 W 80 H & V

PRINTING PROCESS	CHARACTERISTICS OF TYPEWRITTEN OR PRINTED CHARACTERS	MISCELLANEOUS	NOTES
(1) Master  T: Typewritten P: Photocomposed C: Cold metal composed D: Digitalization on magnetic tape	(3) Type used  (4) Size: height of lower case "e" in mm	(5) Sheet size A4: 21 x 29.7 cm If not A4: actual dimension in cm  (6) Colour B: Blue; G: Green; W: White; Y: Yellow  (7) Grain V: Vertical (top to bottom) H: Horizontal (across the street)	(a) Measured with Gardner instrument at 60°. Average of measurements on ten different sheets: 2% (top side), 1% (reverse side)  (b) 95% (top side); 96.5% (reverse side)  (c) P, Univers and 1.7 for front page; T and Miscellaneous for other pages of documents type A; T, Gothic and 1.6 for other pages of documents type B and C * For title: Univers.
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CHARACTERISTICS OF TYPEWRITTEN OR PRINTED CHARACTERS Type used (3) Size (mm) (4)					1.7	Dactylography	Press Roman IBM 1.6	2	Chinese 3.162	Chinese 2.460	3.163	Courier 1.6/ misc
MISCELLANEOUS Sheet size (5) Colour (6) Weight (grams/m <sup>2</sup> ) Grain (7)		A4 W 80 V	A4 G 72 H	A4 W 72 H	A4 W 70-90 H & V	25 x 35 B-W	A4 W 80 V	A4 20-22 29-34 W	18.2 25.7 60.2 H	18.2 25.7 60.2 H	18.2 25.7 52 H	21.5 X 28 W 60 V

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CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PAPER												
Composition												
Ground wood pulp %	-	-	-	-			Third class offset		50	-	Offset paper	
Chem. wood pulp %	100	100	100	100		100		100	50	100		
Ashes %	10.6	16.5	17.5						-			
Thickness (mm)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.10		.092	or printing paper	.086	.068	.099		
Brightness	61.5	86.8	87	85		91		78	78	81		
Opacity	93	90.3	89	89		90		93	83	89		
CHARACTERISTICS OF TYPEWRITTEN OR PRINTED CHARACTERS												
Type used (3)	Univers/ miscel.	Univers/ Gothic.	Univers/ Gothic.					Times New Roman	Literary courrier	Times Roman	Times	
Size (mm) (4)	1.7/ misc.	1.7/ 1.6	1.7/ 1.6				2.9 4.5	1.7/ 1.4	3.76	1.6	1.7	
MISCELLANEOUS												
Sheet size (5)										19.7		
Colour (6)	A4 G	A4 W	A4 W	A4 W		A4 W	A4 W	A4 W	A4 W	28.7 W	A4 W	A4 W
Weight (grams/m <sup>2</sup> )	80	80	80	80		80	80	63	75	74.3	80	80
Grain (7)	V	V	V	H		V	V	V	V	V	V	

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