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GENERAL REMARKS

1.   This document describes the changes made to ST.96 Schema V7_0 to produce this minor release V7_1. This release has only backward compatible changes with major release version V7_0.

2.   Version 7_1 was produced at the request of the Hague team to ensure they were prepared for the upcoming changes approved at the recent Hague Assembly regarding name and address changes. In addition, minor revision which were not approved in time for the release for version 7_0 but are still considered important were also included since this release is going ahead.

3.   Changes are indicated below with strikethrough font indicating the removal of text and underlined text indicating an addition.

4.   The schemas were also assessed according to the latest version of the Schematron to ensure consistency with the ST.96 DRCs and any corresponding necessary changes are outlined below.

5.   Unless specified, the description for enumeration values which are updated will remain the same.

ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO COMMON COMPONENTS

6.   The following new components were added:

   a. `SchemaContactPoint, SchemaCreatedDate, SchemaLastModifiedDate, SchemaReleaseNoteURL`, were added back as these were mistakenly removed as orphaned components in version 7.0;

ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO PATENT COMPONENTS

7.   The following new components were added:

   a. `SearchFieldCPCSymbolText` ('Unstructured component to be used only to capture CPC classification information for the field of classification search.'); and

   b. `ReferenceCitationCPCSymbolText` ('Unstructured component to be used only to capture CPC classification information for reference citations.').

8.   The following components were modified:

   a. `ReferenceCitation/Type` has been restructured so that PatentClassificationBag and `DocumentRelevanceBag` is now optional and included at the same level as `CitedPassageBag`;

   b. `CPCClassificationBag/Type` is restructured to a choice and now includes components `SearchFieldCPCSymbolText` (maxOccurs='unbounded') `and ReferenceCitationCPCSymbolText`;

c. `PatentClassificationSymbolText` has an improved description: '*Free text field to provide classification symbol data only, if structured section, class and group data is not available* ';

d. `PatentClassificationText` now has an improved description: '*Generic free text field to provide information regarding a patent classification which may include a range of symbols or relevant metadata such as the action date* '; and

e. `NationalClassification/Type` now includes `PatentClassificationSymbolText` component, and now restructured as a choice between the original structured format and `PatentClassificationSymbolText` component.

ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO TRADEMARK COMPONENTS

9.   The following components were modified:

a. `MadridIBToOfficeBag/Type` has been restructured as an unbounded choice of transaction type or `com:NoTransactionDataIndicator` is selected.

ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO DESIGN COMPONENTS

10.   The following components were modified:

a. `DesignerType` now includes optional component `dgn:AffectedDesign;`

b. `DesignerChangeBag/Type` was updated to make `PreviousDesignerBag` optional (which has not been used previously) and had an improper annotation removed from its definition;

c. `PreviousDesignerBag` has an improved description: '*A collection of details of the previous designer/creator of the design*'; and

d. `HagueCreatorNameAddressChange/Type` was updated to make `RecordInterestedOfficeCodeBag` optional.

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