

ANNEX VII

SUMMARY OF RULES FOR CLASS PROPAGATION

CORE LEVEL

Initial Classification

If not given, the advanced level classification is rolled up;

No class propagation;

No class addition via advanced level.

Reclassification

No class propagation;

Propagation only on request as once off action;

If wished, classes replaced by rolled up classes from advanced level for PCT min. doc.

ADVANCED LEVEL

Initial Classification

No propagation;

Class may be added by Trilateral Offices for PCT min. doc.

Reclassification

Propagation from Trilateral Offices to PCT min. doc.;

Propagation from PCT min. doc. to Trilateral Offices;

No propagation from Trilateral Offices outside PCT min. doc. but can be requested;

Delete obsolete advanced level symbol for non-PCT min. doc.

NOT LEVEL DEPENDENT

Each document should carry at least one invention information classification symbol;

No propagation for successive publications.

[Annex VIII follows]