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**DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE
FOR THE ADOPTION OF A NEW ACT OF THE HAGUE
AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL DEPOSIT
OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS**

Geneva, June 16 to July 6, 1999

ARTICLE 12 OF THE DRAFT NEW ACT

Proposal by the Delegation of Japan

Article 12 should include the following provisions:

- (3) [*Declaration Concerning Effect of Designation of Applicant's Contracting Party*]
- (a) Any Contracting Party whose Office is an Examining Office may, in a declaration, notify the Director General that, where it is the applicant's Contracting Party, the designation of that Contracting Party in an international registration shall have no effect.
- (b) Where a Contracting Party having made the declaration referred to in subparagraph (a) is indicated in an international application both as the applicant's Contracting Party and as a designated Contracting Party, the International Bureau shall disregard the designation of that Contracting Party.

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