

ANNEX III

STATUS REPORT ON SDWG TASK No. 23

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- Australia: The input is now taken from deliveries via WIPO. The latest update took place in Week 39/2006, and covers entries into the national phase up to May 2006.
- Austria: Data entering the national phase are regularly (bi-monthly) delivered by e-mail. Latest delivery took place in November 2006. The latest update in the INPADOC PRS database was done in February 2007.
- Bulgaria: There are regular monthly updates. The latest data received are from January 2006, supplied by the Bulgarian Office in March 2006.
- Canada: PCT entry data are now contained in the regular weekly legal status updates. Latest legal status data entered are from March 2007, the complete reload of Canadian legal status data started in 2004, and has now been completed.
- China: The input is taken from deliveries via WIPO. The latest update took place in Week 41/2006, and covers entries into the national phase up to May 2006.
- European Patent Office: There are regular weekly updates on entry and non-entry which are part of the Official Bulletin. The latest data received are from the current week. Particular care has to be taken that there is not a notification of entry into the regional phase, but that only EP has been designated. The confirmation about the entry into the regional phase comes by the publication of the EP-A document about six months later. It has also to be noted that for Belgium, Cyprus, France, Greece, Ireland, Netherlands and Portugal, PCT designations have to pass via the European route.
- Georgia: There are regular monthly updates. The latest data received are from February 2007.

- Germany: There are regular weekly updates which are part of the normal weekly publication tape. The latest data received are from the current week. Germany also delivers non-entry information, which, after a interruption in the year 2005, and at the beginning of 2006, was resumed with Week 39/2006. Currently the German Patent Office is working on recreating the information for filling the gap. However, these most recent deliveries have a different format and therefore have not yet been processed by the EPO at the time of this report.
- Japan: Regular monthly updates are made for entry and non-entry. The latest data received are from March 2007.
- Kenya: Data delivery are triggered by events to be reported. The latest entries are for May 2005, received in Week 23/2006.
- Latvia: Data for entry into the national phase are sent bi-monthly. Latest input took place in Week 29/2006, with data as of June 2006.
- Lithuania: Data for entry into the national phase are sent monthly. (We receive this data from The Hague - the data are transferred to Vienna server.) Latest data were received in Week 07/2007, with data as of February 2007.
- New Zealand: The input is taken from deliveries via WIPO. The latest update took place in Week 42/2006, and covers entries into the national phase up to December 2005.
- Republic of Korea: The latest data received directly from the Korean Intellectual Property Office is of December 2000. Now the data sent via WIPO are used. The latest update took place in Week 43/2006, and covers entries into the national phase up to May 2006. The delivery of non-entry data, having been part of the direct deliveries to the EPO, has not yet been resumed.
- Romania: Quarterly updates have been foreseen. Latest updates have been received in Week 07/2007, with data as of end of January 2007.
- Russian Federation: Regular monthly updates are made for entry. The data extraction procedure for non-entry has been stopped due to technical problems and all non-entry events have been removed from the PRS database. Latest data received for entry into the national phase are from February 2007. The data were received on March 16,2007.
- Slovakia: Latest data were received in Week 02/2007, containing PCT entry data until December 2006.
- Slovenia: Latest data were received in Week 02/2007, containing PCT entry data up to December 2006. Data are sent monthly, even if there are no cases to be reported on.

- United Kingdom: There are regular weekly updates on entry and non-entry sent by e-mail. The deliveries are synchronized with the weekly Official Journal publication, and are included on the day of publication.
- United States of America: In an exchange of notes, the USPTO has offered to supply the EPO with the same backfile data as they have been sending in 2006 to WIPO, and has sent off the file via e-mail on March 14, 2006. Since such a file is much easier to treat than to browse through hundreds of Red Books, it can be processed within the next two weeks, which will bring the EPO collection to the same level as the PatentScope collection. Since there is currently no possibility of extraction of the data before publication, the EPO plans to use the Patent Applications Red Book of the USPTO for the extraction of updates. This will guarantee a sufficiently up-to-date picture of the entries of PCT applications into the US national phase.
- Uzbekistan: There are quarterly updates. Latest data received in Week 37/2006, containing PCT entry data up to June 2006.

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