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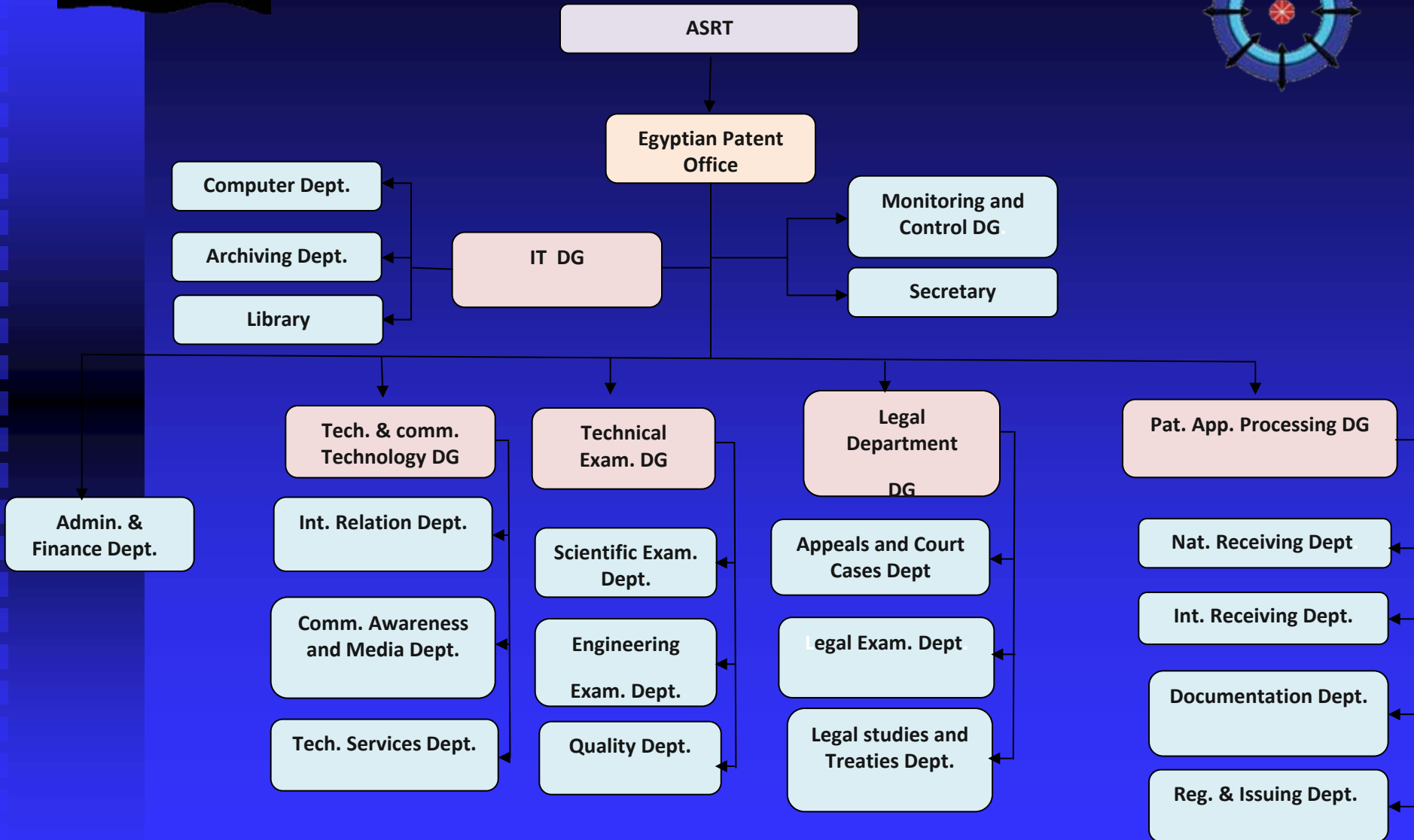
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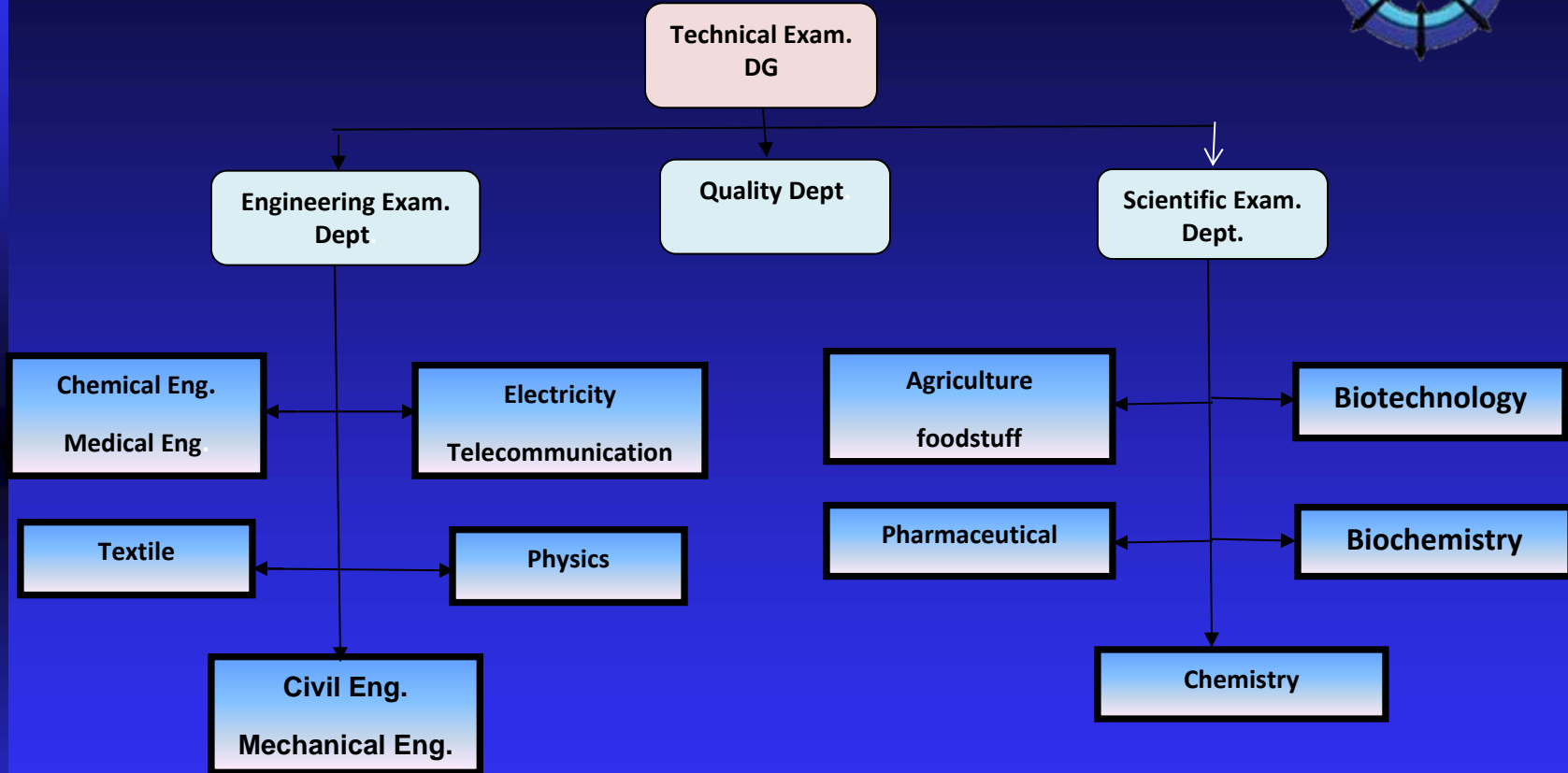
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Legislations (Intellectual property law)

- The roots of the Intellectual Property in EGYPT go to 1949 by the law 132/1949
- The New Law 82/2002 which protect areas,
 - Patent , Utility Models
 - Layout-Designs for Integrated Circuits
 - Undisclosed Information
 - Micro-Organism
 - Protection of Pharmaceutical Product
 - Patent term of Protection 20 years
- Egypt is a member of WIPO since 1975
- Egypt is a member of Paris convention, Strasbourg agreement, TRIPS agreement, ...; and
- PCT Treaty member since June 6, 2003



EGPO ISA and IPEA

- The International Patent cooperation union Assembly at it's 17 session in October 2009 appointed the Egyptian patent Office as an International Searching and Preliminary Examination authority under the PCT
- The Egyptian Patent Office set a plan to start by the end of 2012 to work as ISA and IPEA



Examination Procedure

Principle of Examination

- (1) To conduct examination as uniformly as possible in line with guidelines due to the promptness, accuracy, fairness and transparency.**
- (2) To make an effort to ensure and improve the quality of examination.
The prior art search and judgment on the requirements for patentability should be considered by fully utilizing expertise accumulated in each examiner.**
- (3) To perform efficient examination in sufficiently communicating with an applicant or the attorney.**



Examination procedure (cont'd)

Understanding of Invention (1)

- Reading the description carefully
- Understanding the content of an invention sufficiently
- To find the claimed invention based on the writing of the claims

(2) Non - Patentability subject matter According to Article (2) of law 82/2002

(3) Selection of the subject of search

- To consider the requirements of unity of invention
- To consider the requirements for the description and claims
- Selecting inventions as the subject of a prior art search

(4) Prior Art Search (Search concerning novelty, inventive step)

- To conduct a prior art search

Targeting the claimed inventions selected as the subject of the search,
in terms of novelty, inventive step

- To examine firstly if the applicant indicated following documents
- * Search report prepared by search agency and/or foreign patent office
 - * Indicated relevant prior art documents



Patent applications in Egyptian patent office From 2006 to 2012

السنة Year	مقيم Residents	مقيم غير Non Residents	الاجمالي Total
2006	481	1,481	1,962
2007	515	1,657	2,172
2008	473	1,657	2,130
2009	490	1,452	1,942
2010	604	1626	2230
2011	618	1574	2192
2012	737	1437	2211



Granted patents from Egyptian patent office

السنة Year	مقيم Residents	مقيم غير Non Residents	الاجمالي Total
2007	81	218	299
2008	81	280	361
2009	55	266	321
2010	38	283	321
2011	61	424	485
2012	94	536	630



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