

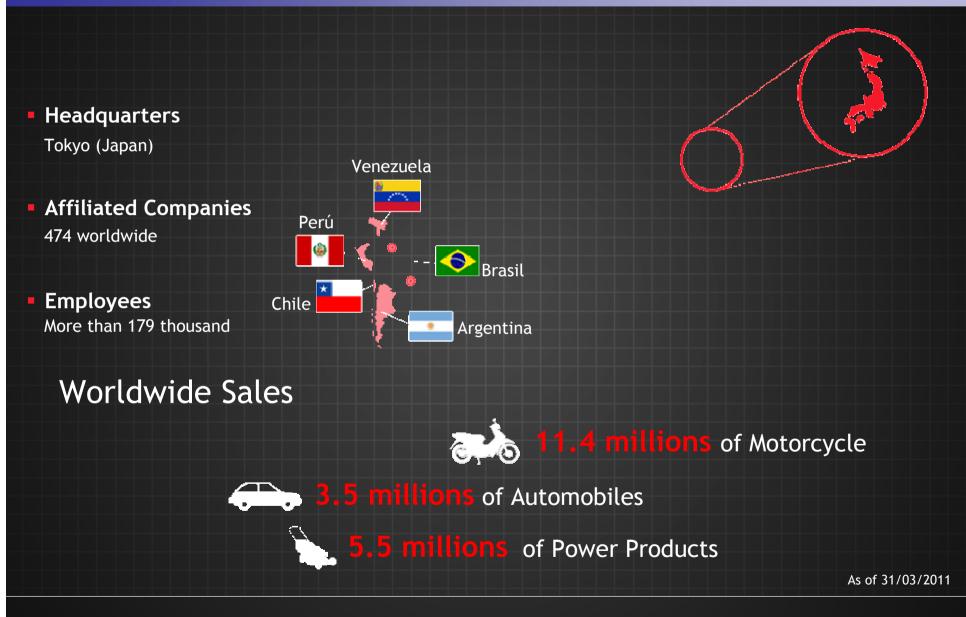
## **IP Actions Based on Honda Designs**

Role and Strategy of Design Patent

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## **Global Operation of Honda**



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## "Produce where demand exists"

Motorcycles Automobiles **Power Products** 16 countries **Production Point** 17 countries 7 countries 19 points 31 points 9 points

> 22 countries 59 points Total:

> > (March 2010)

# 0/4 million Customers

Motorcycles/ATV 11.4 million units

**Automobiles** 

3.5 million units

Power Products 5.5 million units

(2011 fiscal year)

## **Honda Products**







#### **Power Products**





## Honda Fundamental Beliefs(基本理念)

These are important parts of Honda Philosophy which two founders, Mr. Honda and Mr. Fujisawa left to us.



# Respect for Individual

To nurture and promote each person's characteristics by respecting individual differences and trusting each other as equal partners.

### **Three Joys**

To realize and share the Three Joys, "Joy of Buying", "Joy of Selling" and "Joy of Creating" with all related people.

# Joy of Buying

To provide each customer with not only satisfaction but also sympathy and emotion through products and services.

# Joy of Selling

To make customers enjoy valuable products and hearty services, then strengthen thus established mutual trust.

# Joy of Creating

To fully exercise ability and create valuable products and services which exceed expectations of customers and sellers, then make them feel happy.

## Design development Story







Final External Design





#### Attitude towards Making Products



## "Sangen" Concept

- Actual Place
- · Actual Object
  - · Actual Situation

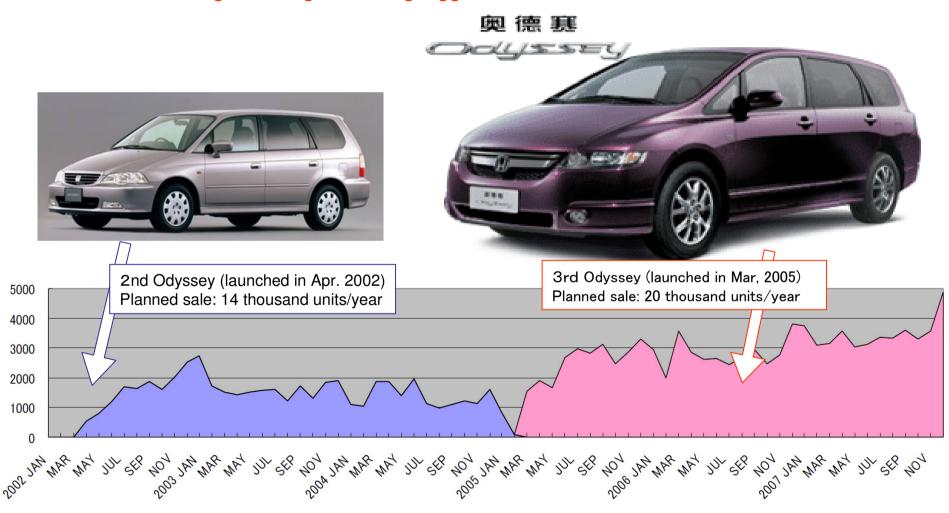
To base on own experience and reality

## Original Design Effectiveness

#### Example: Odyssey in China

New Odyssey launched in March 2005 in China caught large popularity due to sporty and creative design with unique law floor & gravity center, Increased the sales Into nearly double.

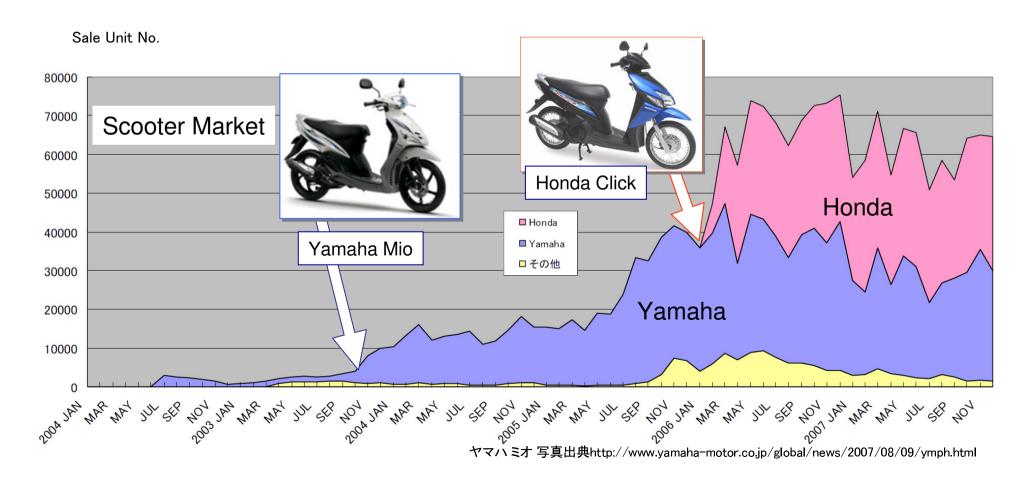
→ Creation of original design will bring bigger sale



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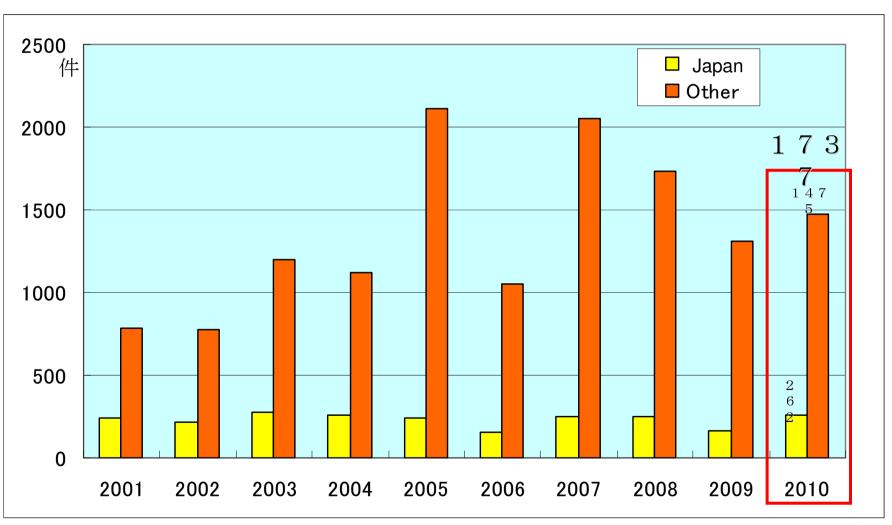
#### Example: Scooter in Thailand

In 2004, Yamaha launched a new scooter into Thai market then almost monopolized by under-bone motorcycle, which captured women and young people popularity. Then Honda launched a new designed scooter which broadened the market further.

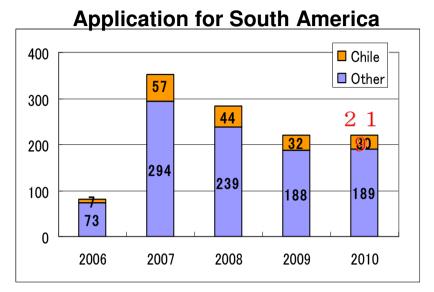


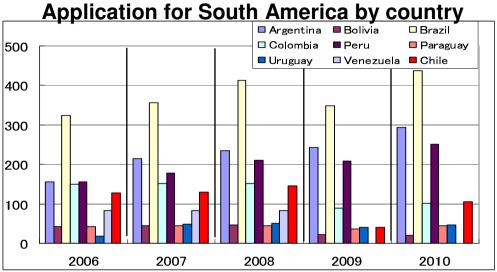
## **Application of Design (1)**

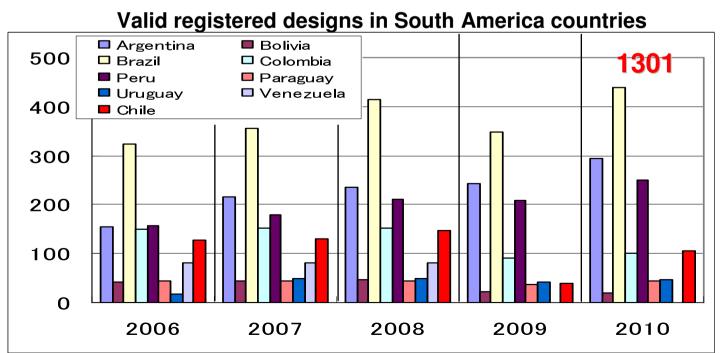
### Worldwide Application No.



## **Application of Design (2)**







## **Purpose of Anti-Counterfeiting Activities**

#### 1. Protection of Customers

→ To eliminate risks of misunderstanding fake to be genuine

#### 2. Protection of Honda Brand

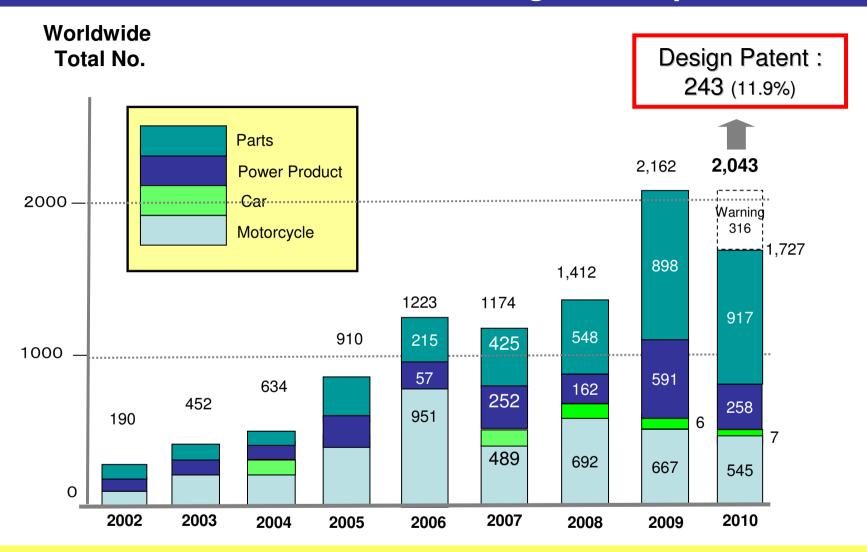
→ To show up Honda's difference from others

Honda logo, Product name ← Trademarks

Product designs ← Design Patents

Original Technology ← Invention Patents

### **Number of Honda Action against Copies**

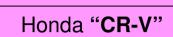


2043 cases in 2010, including 89 lawsuits

Lawsuits: Middle&South America 37, Asia&Oceania 16, China 11, Europe 23, Middle&East Africa 2

## **Example of Counterfeit Case**

### Automobiles (In China)



























## **Example of Counterfeit Case**

## **■ Motorcycle (In Chile)**



Honda BIZ





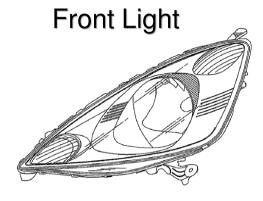
## **Strategy 1 - Filing Aspect**

### Design Patents for Parts

#### **Automobiles**

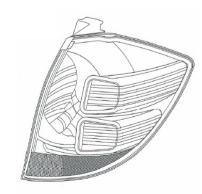


Reg. No: 5.575



Reg. No: 5.577

#### Rear Light



Reg. No: 5.578

Parts design patents are useful for dealing with hybrid design copy and spare parts copy

## **Strategy 2 - Enforcing Aspect**

#### **Publication of Enforcement**

#### **Apology Statement** (Argentina)

Murió el general de Isabel que no enviaba detenidos a la Justicia

los 85 años. Precedió a Bussi, en 1975, en

la represión del FRP

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#### El Gobierno. detrás de Crítica



Efedrina: la situación de

un detenido

**AUTOMOTORES CERRO S.A.** INFORMA A SUS CONCESIONARIOS. CLIENTES Y AL PUBLICO EN GENERAL QUE HAN CESADO EN LA COMERCIALIZACION DE MOTOCICLETAS CON LA MARCA "BIX" POR SER CONFUNDIBLE CON LA MARCA "BIZ" REGISTRADA POR HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD. EN LA ARGENTINA, COMO ASI TAMBIEN HA CESADO EN LA COMERCIALIZACION DE MOTOCICLETAS 'BIX TUNING', QUE ADEMAS INFRINGEN LOS MODELOS INDUSTRIALES Nº 72 636 Y 72 637 REGISTRADOS POR HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD. EN LA ARGENTINA (MODELOS 'BIX "Y 'BIX TUNING" RESPECTIVAMENTE INDICADOS ABAJOI. AUTOMOTORES CERRO S.A. RECONOCE LA EXISTENCIA Y VALIDEZ DE LOS MODELOS INDUSTRIALES Nº 72.636 Y 72.637, Y DE LAS MARCAS "BIZ", REG. Nº 2.106.421 Y "HONDA BIZ", REG. Nº 2.321,051 Y SE DISCULPA PUBLICAMENTE CON HONDA MOTOR CO, LTD. POR EL USO NO AUTORIZADO DE LOS MODELOS INDUSTRIALES MENCIONADOS Y DE UNA MARCA CONFUNDIBLE CON LA MARCA "BIZ".

#### Raid Action (China)



本报记者 董世彪 摄 工商执法人员依法查扣"本田福克"电动自行车。

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Newspaper "京華時報" 19 June, 2010

## **Strategy 2 - Enforcing Aspect**

### Publication of Enlightenment (In Chili)



## Problems to have to be solved (Chile)

- 1) Design patent applications are only with drawings, prohibits photos.
- 2) Marks or Indications "Diseño Industrial" or "D.I." and the registration No. as a condition of enforcing the design patent.
- 3) The criminal sanctions for design infringement, are just pecuniary fines, Imprisonment is not available. Not enough so as to give refraining effect.
- 4) The customs do not have authority to judge design infringement. Lawsuit is always necessary.
- 5) Precautionary measures (injunctions) are very seldom granted by the Courts.

## Closing Remarks

Each customer and each brand can enjoy legal protection only when IP systems including design patent are appropriately legislated and operated.

Such protection will bring industrial development and country prosperity with customers' happiness.

