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REPORT ON THE INTERNATIONAL PATENT SYSTEM: REVISED ANNEX II OF DOCUMENT SCP/12/3 REV.2

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- 1. The Standing Committee on the Law of Patents (SCP), at its eighteenth session held from May 21 to 25, 2012, in Geneva, agreed that document SCP/18/2 (revised Annex II of document SCP/12/3 Rev.2) would be updated based on the comments received from Member States.
- 2. Updated information concerning the national patent laws was received from the following Member States: Australia, Mexico and Zambia.
- 3. Pursuant to the above decision, the Secretariat updated Annex II of document SCP/12/3 Rev.2, which contains information concerning certain aspects of national/regional patent laws, namely, prior art, novelty, inventive step (obviousness), grace period, sufficiency of disclosure, exclusions from patentable subject matter and exceptions and limitations to the rights. It is available on the website of the SCP electronic forum at: http://www.wipo.int/scp/en/annex ii.html.

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