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Re: Citation of industrial property documents other than patent documents  
within WIPO Standard ST.14 (Task No. 40)

Dear Deputy Director,

In response to your Circular SCIT 2456 dated August 2, 1999, I would like to submit the comments of the Austrian Patent Office on the proposed amendments of WIPO Standard ST.14 as set out below.

We support the proposed approach of the International Bureau to include new guidelines for the citation of industrial design documents in WIPO Standard ST.14 rather than to elaborate a new WIPO Standard because of the same reasons which were mentioned in your Circular.

With regard to drafted amended version of ST.14 as given in project file SCIT/P 4/99 we can agree on it in general but would like to propose the following minor amendments:

Paragraph 4, third line: insertion of "and 4(b)" after "4(a)".

Annex 1, page 6, example 4: replacement of "EPO" by "EPOQUE" which is the commonly used name for the EPO database.

At present we regrettably cannot provide respective examples for the citation of documents referring to industrial designs.

Sincerely yours,

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