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die Geschäftszahl dieses Schreibens
anführen

Vienna, October 18, 2001

Re.: Formats of figurative elements of marks (SCIT Task No. 20) – C.SCIT 2541

In response to WIPO Circular 2541 of July 31, 2001, the Austrian Patent Office herewith submits the completed questionnaire concerning formats currently in use by industrial property offices for figurative elements of marks. The questionnaire is send as an attachment to this mail.

Yours sincerely,

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QUESTIONNAIRE CONCERNING FORMATS CURRENTLY IN USE BY INDUSTRIAL
PROPERTY OFFICES FOR FIGURATIVE ELEMENTS OF MARKS
Contribution of the Austrian Patent Office

Question 1: Does your Office process electronically the figurative elements of marks?

Yes ...X....

No

Question 2: Does your Office have a legal basis for the electronic processing (including electronic storage and/or exchange) of figurative elements of marks?
(If "Yes," please specify the national law, regional regulation, etc.)

Yes

No ...X.... (an internal regulation is applied)

Question 3: Which format is your Office currently using for the capturing, presentation and exchange of figurative elements of marks?

(a) For scanning :

Please indicate: image format (TIFF, JPG, GIF, PNG, CCITT...Please specify the version, e.g., TIFF Group 4), image resolution (in dots per inch), image color management techniques (i.e., description of techniques applied to ensure reliable color reproduction).

(i) Bilevel or grayscale: ...GIF.....

(ii) Colour: ...GIF.....

(b) For publishing :

Please indicate: image format (TIFF, JPG, GIF, PNG, CCITT...Please specify the version, e.g., TIFF Group 4), image resolution (in dots per inch), image color management techniques (i.e., description of techniques applied to ensure reliable color reproduction).

(i) Bilevel or grayscale:

(ii) Colour:

The paper images filed by the applicant are used for publishing. These images are published in black/white in the gazette.

(c) For displaying :
Please indicate: image format (TIFF, JPG, GIF, PNG, CCITT...Please specify the version, e.g., TIFF Group 4), image resolution (in dots per inch), image color management techniques (i.e., description of techniques applied to ensure reliable color reproduction).

(i) Bilevel or grayscale::

(ii) Colour: ...GIF.....

(d) For other purpose (please specify) : similarity check.....
Please indicate: image format (TIFF, JPG, GIF, PNG, CCITT...Please specify the version, e.g., TIFF Group 4), image resolution (in dots per inch), image color management techniques (i.e., description of techniques applied to ensure reliable color reproduction).

(i) Bilevel or grayscale::

(ii) Colour: JPG
(will be changed to GIF images)

Question 4: Indicate how the images of figurative elements of marks are displayed.
(e.g., expandable thumbnails, thumbnails only, full screen image).

(a) Expandable thumbnails

(b) Thumbnails only

(c) Full screen image

(d) Other (please specify): in the browser with < IMG SRG = ...>
represented in the dimension in which the image was filed on paper but not greater than 8 x 8 cm and not less than 1 x 1 cm

Question 5: Who carries out the electronic capture?

(a) Applicant

(b) Your Office (if so, what are the dimensions in which the images of figurative elements of marks have to be submitted?)
Yes; see answer to question 4 (d)

(c) Other (please specify):

Question 6: How is your Office ensuring the quality of mark images taking into account the various quality levels ?

Scanned images are processed with the program "Photo Impact" for calibrating the colors

Question 7: How many mark images are stored with the above-indicated format(s) in your Office's computer system(s)?
(Please specify breakdown by format.)

approximately 50.000 in GIF Format
(national trademarks in the registry)

Question 8: Which option does your Office prefer for the elaboration of a WIPO recommendation on the electronic processing of figurative elements of marks:

(a) the determination and application of a new format?

Yes

No ...X....

(b) the use of freely available non-proprietary standards?

Yes ...X.... (first choice)

No

(c) the use of a proprietary de-facto standard (i.e., TIFF)?

Yes ...X.... (second choice)

No

Further comments/remarks: none

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