

Questionnaire on the Implementation of Paragraph 12(a) of  
WIPO Standard ST.10/C

Name of the Reporting Office/ Organization	<b>GC</b> (ST.3 two-letter country/organization code)  <u>Patent Office of The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf - GCC PATENT OFFICE</u>
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Paragraph 12(a) of WIPO Standard ST.10/C sets out the following recommendation:

“12. (a) In order to improve the quality of patent family data and to avoid confusion in the presentation of priority application numbers, the following recommendations are made:

Industrial property offices (IPOs) should always provide priority application number complying with “Recommended Presentation in Abbreviated Form as a Priority Application Number” given in the Appendix to the Standard ST.10/C when presenting the application number of a patent document in the notification of the first filing and in the certificate of priority. The “Recommended Presentation in Abbreviated Form as a Priority Application Number” should be presented with the Standard ST.3 code (preferably in a specified line or column along with the title “The country code (in case of the international organization, ‘The organization code’) and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is”) to be easily recognized as priority number by other IPOs and applicants.

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## Q U E S T I O N N A I R E

1. (a) Does your Office/Organization comply with the provisions of paragraph 12(a) in WIPO Standard ST.10/C when presenting the application number of a patent document in the notification of the first filing?

YES  NO

Comments, if necessary: *The current format of a patent application number filed at the GCC Patent Office is as follows: GCC/P/4-digits Year No./Searial No. (e.g. GCC/P/2002/2304). This is the format in which the application number of a patent document is currently presented whether in the notification of the first filing or in the certificate of priority.*

(b) If the answer was “NO”, is your Office/Organization planning to implement the said paragraph 12(a) in the notifications of the first filing? If so, when?

YES  NO

When ?

*After the office's new patent applications integrated computer system - under construction - becomes ready this year (2006).*

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2. (a) Does your Office/Organization comply with the provisions of paragraph 12(a) in WIPO Standard ST.10/C when presenting the application number of a patent document in the certificate of priority?

YES  NO

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(b) If the answer was “NO”, is your Office/Organization planning to implement the said paragraph 12(a) in the certificates of priority? If so, when?

YES  NO

When ?

*After the office's new patent applications integrated computer system - under construction - becomes ready this year (2006).*

Comments, if necessary: *The intended format of a patent application number is: GC4-digits Year No./7-digits Searial No. (e.g. GC2002/0002304).*  
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Note: Your Office/Organization is kindly invited to provide copies of filing notifications and priority certificates of patent applications along with the responses to this questionnaire.

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