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I Evolution of registration activities:

In 2001 in The Institute for Standards, Metrology and Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina has received a total of 917 trademark applications which is a increase of 25,3% compared to the previous year.

The Institute also received about 4500 trademark applications through the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks that were designated for Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The number of trademark application filed both under the national and international procedures increase.

There has been no changes concerning application filing procedure, as well as registration procedure.

Il Matters concerning the generation, reproduction and distribution of secondary sources of trademark information

The Institute for Standards, Metrology and Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina issues the official gazette "Glasnik". The Gazette is issued four times yearly. This official gazette contains data concerning recognized trademarks and information regarding other activities of the Institute.

III Matters concerning classifying, reclassifying and indexing of trademark information

The Institute for Standards, Metrology and Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina uses International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks (Nice Classification) 7th edition and the Vienna Classification of Figurative Elements, 4th edition. The Bosnian language version of Nice Classification is not available.

Bibliographic data of trademark application and registered trademarks are stored as database on magnetic disc and they are machine searchable.

IV Trademark manual search file establishment and upkeep

Trademarks files are kept in paper form in the Trademark Department, and they are updated continuously.

V Activities in the field of computerized trademark search systems

A database has been formed consisting of applications and registered rights (about over 875 trademarks) and it is kept on one PC. Database consist of the following information: application number, filing date, registration number, registration sate, date of the granted priority right, date of the expiration of validity, name of the holder of right and address, name of the previous holder of right and address, information concerning the representative, title of the sign (textual and a short description, if possible), numbers of the designated classes of goods and services, information on the holder of licence, franchise, or pledge, notification where necessary or useful information can

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be found (after the termination of procedure), the list of goods and services, graphical appearance of the sign (if any). In the database, a place has been envisaged for the entry of class according to the International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks.

Database on trademarks is kept on a PC having this configuration:

Board with Intel Pentium III/1000MHz, 256Mb RAM, 50Gb HDD, Raid 5 Array – IBM @Server xSeries x232, Microsoft Windows NT4.0 Server OS

Examiners have access to the database through a PC having this configuration:

Board with Intel Pentium 133MHz, 32Mb RAM, 1Gb HDD (No name), Microsoft Windows 98/95 OS

Board with Intel Celeron 900MHz, 128Mb RAM, 20Gb HDD – IBM NetVista workstation, Microsoft Windows 2000 Professional OS

Network: Ethernet LAN 10Mbps, TCP/IP protocol, Compaq LAN equipment

Database is designed in Microsoft Access 97.

VI Administration of trademarks services available to the public

Information service is available to the public. Trademark documents, Official Gazette and other publication concerning trademark protection are available in the Trademark Department and the Information and Documentation Department.

The Information and Documentation Department has a collection of relevant publications and periodicals in the field of trademark protection, which are available to the public.

VII Matters concerning mutual exchange of trademark documentation and information

During the year 2001, the Official Gazette of the Institute for Standards, Metrology and Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina "Glasnik" has been delivered to the following countries:

AL, AT, AZ, BE, CA, CZ, DE, EE, HR, HU, JP, LT, LV, MK, NL, RO, SI, Benelux Trademark Office (BTO) and European Patent Office (EPO).

VIII Matters concerning education and training including technical assistance to developing countries

During the year 2001, the employees from the Trademark Department participated at the several seminars organized by the WIPO, EPO and by the US Patent and Trademark Office.

IX Other relevant matters

During the year 2001, Institute has prepared draft of the new Industrial Property Law in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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