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I. Evolution of registration activities:

In 2001 the Danish Patent and Trademark Office received 4807 national applications and 7049 designations of international registrations. The figures for 2000 were 53765/7001 and for 1999: 5325/6129.

In 2001 applicants got the possibility of filing a trademark application electronically.

II. Matters concerning the generation, reproduction, and distribution of secondary sources of trademark information, i.e., trademark gazettes:

The Danish Patent and Trademark Office publishes information on trademarks in "Dansk Varemærketidende" - The Danish Trademark Gazette. All the Danish Gazettes are for the moment published in paperform and also accessible on our internet-site (www.pvs.dk).

III. Matters concerning classifying, reclassifying and indexing of trademark information:

The Danish Patent and Trademark Office classifies the goods and services using The International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks (Nice Classification) 8<sup>th</sup> version. Applicants are requested to use pre-defined terms of the classification applied, where it is possible.

The Danish Patent and Trademark Office classifies the figurative marks using the International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks (Vienna Classification).

IV. Trademark manual search file establishment and upkeep:

We do not in The Danish Patent and Trademark Office perform any manual searches. Paper files of registrations of patents, trademarks, and designs are, however, kept and filed in the Office's building, including in the basement.

No documentation from other offices are considered part of the available search file, as our searches in other offices' files are also computerized.

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- V. Activities in the field of computerized trademark search systems:
- In-house systems: UPDATE, including Scriptor
- An internal portal has been established through which the relevant external databases can be reached:

Among others: Publicom, The computerized telephone directory: De Gule Sider (The Yellow Pages)

- Administrative management systems: Computerized trademark-register
- Data import from: OHIM and WIPO. Weekly update.
- Equipment used:

Database: Oracle 8, database server: HP/UNIX

Document server: HP/WINDOWS NT4, disk capacity used: 200 GB

Network: LAN, 100 Mbit/s

Workstations: HP, WINDOWS NT4, 1 GHz, 256 MB RAM

VI. Administration of trademark services available to the public (relating to facilities, e.g., for lodging applications, registering trademarks, assisting clients with search procedures, obtaining official publications and registry extracts):

The Danish Patent and Trademark Office is the national authority where applications for registration of trademarks are filed, examined and registered.

The Office's Customer Division provides, free of charge, the public with information and general advice in relation to application, examination and registration procedures.

Furthermore the Office provides information about registered trademarks for a certain fee.

Questions concerning the legal status or procedural stage of a trademark application or registration can be addressed to the Office.

We can also be reached by E-mail on the following address:

#### Pvs@dkpto.dk

Web:http://www.dkpto.dk

VII. Matters concerning mutual exchange of trademark documentation and information:

The mutual exchange of trademark information is provided to approximately 40 countries worldwide in paper and electronically.

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

In 2001, our training section conducted more than 40 courses, seminars, and conferences involving a total of more than 1,400 participants. Subjects are wide-ranging: from specialised courses for IP experts to basic courses on patents, trademarks, and designs attracting many corporate leaders, marketing managers, and R&D managers.

The Danish Patent and Trademark Office's customer centre has a staff of 10, handling questions from Denmark and abroad. The centre receives about 150 wide-ranging inquiries a day.

Our newsletter, which has 2,300 subscribers and is published quarterly, has been supplemented by an internet-based news service. Articles regularly appear on the DKPTO website, and approximately 800 subscribers receive e-mail notification of the latest articles.

We have advertised 3-5 times in Danish newspapers and magazines.

Through our collaboration with the technological information centres, the Danish Patent and Trademark Office makes a special effort to meet the information needs of small and medium-sized enterprises. Among other activities, we visit these centres and brief the staff on the practical use of the IP system, including searching in patent applications.

Through the WIPO Worldwide Academy, we have received 6 participants from developing countries for a week of practical training. They came from China, India, Jordan, Saint Lucia, Sri Lanka, and the Syrian Arab Republic.

IX. Other relevant matters.

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