

#### **STANDARD ST.3**

## RECOMMENDED STANDARD ON TWO-LETTER CODES FOR THE REPRESENTATION OF STATES, OTHER ENTITIES AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

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#### INTRODUCTION

- 1. This Recommended Standard provides two-letter alphabetic codes which, for the purpose of improving the access to industrial property information, represent, in particular, the names of States, other entities and intergovernmental organizations the legislation of which provides for the protection of industrial property rights or which organizations are acting in the framework of a treaty in the field of industrial property.
- 2. The designation of States or other entities in this Recommended Standard does not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever concerning the legal status of any State or territory, or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers.
- 3. The two-letter alphabetic codes in this Recommended Standard are aligned with the universally recognized ISO Alpha-2 Codes listed in International Standard ISO 3166-1, "Codes for the Representation of Names of Countries and their Subdivisions Part 1: Country Codes", which is available on the Online Browsing Platform of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). The short form of state names in this Recommended Standard is aligned with the UN Terminology Database (UNTERM) with a few exceptions. These exceptions, as well as the territory names, are based on established WIPO practice, reflecting official requests by the states concerned.

#### RECOMMENDED STANDARD CODE

- 4. This Recommended Standard is intended to be implemented for any use by industrial property offices requiring the identification of States, other entities and intergovernmental organizations, in coded form.
- 5. The recommended codes with respective names are contained in Annex I in two sections, organized as follows:
- (i) Section 1 presents a list of States, other entities and intergovernmental organizations, in alphabetic sequence of their short names and their corresponding codes;
- (ii) Section 2 presents the codes referred to in (i) in alphabetic order and the corresponding (short) names of States, other entities and intergovernmental organizations.
- 6. In addition to the said recommended codes, the two-letter alphabetic code "XX" is recommended to refer to unknown states, other entities or organizations.

#### MAINTENANCE

- 7. ISO has entrusted a Maintenance Agency with the management of International Standard ISO 3166. WIPO has been granted associate-member status in the Maintenance Agency and is therefore closely associated with its work.
- 8. The International Bureau updates this Recommended Standard at intervals following the decisions of the Maintenance Agency and of the respective WIPO body with regard to the inclusion of new two-letter alphabetic codes or the amending of existing two-letter alphabetic codes. With respect to the inclusion of new names or the change of existing names of states and territories, the International Bureau updates this Recommended Standard following UNTERM with a few exceptions described in paragraph 3 above. With respect to the inclusion of new names or the change of existing names of intergovernmental organizations, the International Bureau updates this Recommended Standard following communications received from the intergovernmental organization concerned and established WIPO practice in this regard. The revision procedure of this Recommended Standard is provided in Annex III.

### IMPLEMENTATION AND GUIDELINES FOR USERS

- 9. To assist users of documents relating to industrial property titles and/or applications therefore, Annex II, Section 1, to this Recommended Standard lists those States for which the code in force prior to January 1, 1978, was subsequently replaced by a new code. A list of States or organizations, with their respective codes, that ceased to exist is given in Annex II, Section 2.
- 10. The codes contained in Annex I to this Recommended Standard should be used in all documents relating to industrial property titles and/or applications therefore, even when referring to documents for which a different code existed before January 1, 1978.
- 11. The letter combinations AA, QM to QY, XA to XM, XO to XT, XW, XY, XZ and ZZ are available for individual use and for provisional codes.

[Annexes follow]



## **ANNEX I, SECTION 1**

LIST OF STATES, OTHER ENTITIES AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, IN ALPHABETIC SEQUENCE OF THEIR SHORT NAMES, AND THEIR CORRESPONDING CODES

AFGHANISTAN	ΔF	CONGO (see Congo, below; Democratic	
AFRICAN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGAN		Republic of the Congo)	
			CG
(OAPI) <sup>(1)</sup> (13)	UA	CONGO	
AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL		COOK ISLANDS	CK
PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)(1) (13)	AP	COSTA RICA	CR
ALBANIA	AL	CÔTE D'IVOIRE	CI
ALGERIA	DZ	CROATIA	HR
ANDORRA	AD	CUBA	CU
ANGOLA	AO	CURAÇAO	CW
ANGUILLA	Al	CYPRUS	CY
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	AG	CZECHIA	CZ
ARGENTINA	AR	OZEOTIA	UZ.
ARMENIA	AM	DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC	
ARUBA	AW	OF KOREA	ΚP
AUSTRALIA	AU	DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF	
AUSTRIA	AT	THE CONGO	CD
AZERBAIJAN	AZ	DENMARK	DK
		DJIBOUTI	DJ
BAHAMAS	BS	DOMINICA	DM
	_	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	DO
BAHRAIN	BH	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	טט
BANGLADESH	BD		
BARBADOS	BB	ECUADOR	EC
BELARUS	BY	EGYPT	EG
BELGIUM	BE	EL SALVADOR	SV
BELIZE	BZ	EQUATORIAL GUINEA	GQ
BENELUX OFFICE FOR INTELLECTUAL		ERITREA	ER
PROPERTY (BOIP)(2) (13)	BX	ESTONIA	EE
BENIN	BJ		
BERMUDA	BM	ESWATINI	SZ
BHUTAN	BT	ETHIOPIA	ΕT
		EURASIAN PATENT ORGANIZATION	
BOLIVIA (PLURINATIONAL STATE OF)	ВО	(EAPO) <sup>(1) (13)</sup>	EΑ
BONAIRE, SINT EUSTATIUS AND SABA	BQ	EUROPÉAN UNION <sup>(14)</sup>	EU
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	BA	EUROPEAN UNION INTELLECTUAL PROPERT	ΓΥ
BOTSWANA	BW	OFFICE (EUIPO)(13) (14)	ΕM
BOUVET ISLAND	BV	EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE (EPO)(1)(13)(14).	ΕP
BRAZIL	BR	201101 271117112111 011102 (21 0)	
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS	VG	EALIST AND TOLANDO (MANTAUNIAO)	
	. •	FALKLAND ISLANDS (MALVINAS)	FK
DDUNE DADUGGALAM	DNI	FAROE ISLANDS	FO
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	BN	FIJI	FJ
BULGARIA	BG	FINLAND	FΙ
BURKINA FASO	BF	FRANCE	FR
BURUNDI	BI		
		GABON	$\sim$ $^{\wedge}$
CAMBODIA	KH		GA
CAMEROON		GAMBIA	
		GEORGIA	_
CANADA	CA	GERMANY <sup>(3)</sup>	DE
CABO VERDE	CV	GHANA	GH
CAYMAN ISLANDS	KY	GIBRALTAR	GI
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	CF	GREECE	GR
CHAD	TD	GREENLAND	GL
CHILE	CL	GRENADA	GD
CHINA	CN	GUATEMALA	GT
COMMUNITY PLANT VARIETY OFFICE			
(EUROPEAN UNION) (CPVO)(13) (14)	QZ	GUERNSEY	GG
COLOMBIA		GUINEA	GN
COMOROS	CO	GUINEA-BISSAU	GW





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GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (see Patent		MONTSERRAT	
Office of the Cooperation Council for		MOROCCO	
the Arab States of the Gulf)		MOZAMBIQUE	. MZ
GUYANA	GY	MYANMAR	. MM
HAITI	HT	NAMIBIA	. NA
HOLY SEE	VA	NAURU	
HONDURAS	HN	NEPAL	
HONG KONG, China		NETHERLANDS	
HUNGARY	HU	NEW ZEALAND	
		NICARAGUA	. NI
ICELAND	IS	NIGER	. NE
INDIA		NIGERIA	. NG
INDONESIA	ID	NORDIC PATENT INSTITUTE (NPI)(1) (13)	
	טו	NORTH MACEDONIA	
INTERNATIONAL BUREAU OF THE		NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	
WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY			
ORGANIZATION (WIPO)(4) (13)	IB, WO	NORWAY	. NO
INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE			
PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES		OMAN	. OM
OF PLANTS (UPOV)(13)	XU		
IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)	IR	PAKISTAN	. PK
IRAQ	IQ	_	
IRELAND	IE	PALAU	
		PANAMA	
ISLE OF MAN	IM	PAPUA NEW GUINEA	
ISRAEL	IL.	PARAGUAY	. PY
ITALY	IT	PATENT OFFICE OF THE COOPERATION	
		COUNCIL FOR THE ARAB STATES OF	
JAMAICA	JM	THE GULF (GCC Patent Office)(13)	. GC
JAPAN	JP	PERU	
JERSEY	JE	PHILIPPINES	
JORDAN	JO	POLAND	
JORDAN	30		
		PORTUGAL	. PT
KAZAKHSTAN	KZ		
KENYA	KE	QATAR	. QA
KIRIBATI	KI		
KOREA (see Democratic People's		REPUBLIC OF KOREA	. KR
Republic of Korea; Republic of Korea)		REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA	
KUWAIT	KW	ROMANIA	
KYRGYZSTAN	KG		
KTKOTZOTAN	NO	RUSSIAN FEDERATION	
1 4 0 PEOPLEIO PENOOPATIO PEPUDI IO		RWANDA	. RW
LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC	LA		
LATVIA	LV	SAINT HELENA, ASCENSION AND	
LEBANON	LB	TRISTAN DA CUNHA	. SH
LESOTHO	LS	SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	
LIBERIA	LR	SAINT LUCIA	
LIBYA	LY	SAINT VINCENT AND	
LIECHTENSTEIN	LI		VC
LITHUANIA	LT	THE GRENADINES	
LUXEMBOURG	LU	SAMOA	
LUXEWIBOURG	LU	SAN MARINO	-
		SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE	. ST
MACAO, CHINA	MO	SAUDI ARABIA	. SA
MADAGASCAR	MG	SENEGAL	. SN
MALAWI	MW	SERBIA	. RS
MALAYSIA	MY	SEYCHELLES	. SC
MALDIVES	MV	SIERRA LEONE	
MALI	ML	SINGAPORE	
MALIBITANIA	MT	SINT MAARTEN (Dutch part)	
MAURITANIA	MR	SLOVAKIA	
MAURITIUS	MU	SLOVENIA	
MEXICO	MX	SOLOMON ISLANDS	_
MOLDOVA (see Republic of Moldova)		SOMALIA	. SO
MONACO	MC	SOUTH AFRICA	. ZA
MONGOLIA	MN	SOUTH GEORGIA AND THE SOUTH	
MONTENEGRO	ME	SANDWICH ISLANDS	. GS



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SOUTH SUDAN	SS	UGANDA	UG
SPAIN	ES	UKRAINE	UA
SRI LANKA	LK	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	AE
SUDAN	SD	UNITED KINGDOM	GB
SURINAME	SR	UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA	TZ
SWEDEN	SE	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	US
SWITZERLAND	CH	URUGUAY	UY
SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC	SY	UZBEKISTAN	UZ
TAIWAN PROVINCE OF CHINA	TW	VANUATU	VU
TAJIKISTAN	TJ	VATICAN CITY STATE (See Holy See)	
TANZANIA (see United Republic of Tanzania)		VENEZUELA (BOLIVARÌAN REPUBLÍC OF)	VE
THAILAND	TH	VIET NAM	VN
TIMOR-LESTE	TL	VISEGRAD PATENT INSTITUTE (VPI)(1) (13)	XV
TOGO	TG		
TONGA	TO	WESTERN SAHARA(5)	EH
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	TT	WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY	
TUNISIA	TN	ORGANIZATION (WIPO)	
TURKEY	TR	(INTERNATIONAL BUREAU OF)(4) (13)	WO. IB
TURKMENISTAN	TM	(	- ,
TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS	TC	YEMEN	YF
TUVALU	TV	1 LIVIL14	1 L
		ZAMBIA	ZM
		ZIMBABWE	ZW

[Section 2 follows]



## **ANNEX I, SECTION 2**

LIST OF CODES, IN ALPHABETIC SEQUENCE, AND THE CORRESPONDING (SHORT) NAMES OF STATES, OTHER ENTITIES AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

AD AE	Andorra United Arab Emirates	DK DM	Denmark Dominica
AF	Afghanistan	DO	Dominica Dominican Republic
AG	Antigua and Barbuda	DZ	Algeria
AI	Anguilla	DZ	Aigena
AL	Albania	EA	Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)(1) (13)
AL AM		EC	Ecuador
	Armenia	EE	Estonia
AO	Angola	EG	
AP	African Regional Intellectual Property	EH	Egypt Western Sahara <sup>(5)</sup>
4.0	Organization (ARIPO) <sup>(1)</sup> (13)	EM	
AR	Argentina	□IVI	European Union Intellectual Property Office
AT	Austria	EP	(EUIPO) <sup>(13)</sup> (14)
AU	Australia		European Patent Office (EPO) (1) (13) (14)
AW	Aruba	ER	Eritrea
ΑZ	Azerbaijan	ES	Spain
Б.4	Books and Historia Co.	ET	Ethiopia
BA	Bosnia and Herzegovina	EU	European Union <sup>(14)</sup>
BB	Barbados		Finland
BD	Bangladesh	FI	Finland
BE	Belgium_	FJ	Fiji
BF	Burkina Faso	FK	Falkland Islands (Malvinas)
BG	Bulgaria	FO	Faroe Islands
BH	Bahrain	FR	France
BI	Burundi	GA	Cahan
BJ	Benin		Gabon
BM	Bermuda	GB	United Kingdom
BN	Brunei Darussalam	GC	Patent Office of the Cooperation Council
во	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)		for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC Patent
BQ	Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba	OD	Office) <sup>(13)</sup>
BR	Brazil	GD	Grenada
BS	Bahamas	GE	Georgia
BT	Bhutan	GG	Guernsey
BV	Bouvet Island	GH	Ghana
BW	Botswana	GI	Gibraltar
BX	Benelux Office for Intellectual Property (BOIP)(2)	GL	Greenland
	(13)	GM	Gambia
BY	Belarus	GN	Guinea
ΒZ	Belize	GQ	Equatorial Guinea
		GR	Greece
CA	Canada	GS	South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands
CD	Democratic Republic of the Congo	GT	Guatemala
CF	Central African Republic	GW	Guinea-Bissau
CG	Congo	GY	Guyana
CH	Switzerland		
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	HK	Hong Kong, China
CK	Cook Islands	HN	Honduras
CL	Chile	HR	Croatia
CM	Cameroon	HT	Haiti
CN	China	HU	Hungary
CO	Colombia		
CR	Costa Rica	IB	International Bureau of the World Intellectual
CU	Cuba		Property Organization (WIPO)(4) (13)
CV	Cabo Verde	ID	Indonesia
CW	Curação	IE 	Ireland
CY	Cyprus	IL	Israel
CZ	Czechia	IM	Isle of Man
		IN	India
DE	Germany <sup>(3)</sup>	IQ	Iraq
DJ	Djibouti	IR	Iran (Islamic Republic of)
	•	IS	Iceland



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IT	Italy	ОМ	Oman
JE	Jersey	PA	Panama
JM	Jamaica	PΕ	Peru
JO	Jordan	PG	Papua New Guinea
JP	Japan	PH	Philippines
•	oupu	PK	Pakistan
KE	Kenya	PL	Poland
KG	Kyrgyzstan	PT	Portugal
KH	Cambodia	PW	Palau
KI	Kiribati	PY	Paraguay
KM	Comoros	QA	Qatar
KN	Saint Kitts and Nevis	QZ	Community Plant Variety Office
KP	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	QZ	(European Union) (CPVO)(13) (14)
KR	Republic of Korea		(European officin) (Of vo)
KW	Kuwait	RO	Romania
KY	Cayman Islands	RS	Serbia
ΚZ	Kazakhstan	RU	Russian Federation
LA	Lao People's Democratic Republic	RW	Rwanda
LB	Lebanon	0.4	O = 1' A = 1.'
LC	Saint Lucia	SA	Saudi Arabia
LI	Liechtenstein	SB	Solomon Islands
LK	Sri Lanka	SC	Seychelles
LR	Liberia	SD SE	Sudan Sweden
LS	Lesotho	SG	
LT	Lithuania	SH	Singapore Saint Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha
LU	Luxembourg	SI	Slovenia
LV	Latvia	SK	Slovakia
LY	Libya	SL	Sierra Leone
N 4 A	Manage	SM	San Marino
MA	Morocco	SN	Senegal
MC	Monaco  Republic of Moldovo	SO	Somalia
MD ME	Republic of Moldova	SR	Suriname
MG	Montenegro	SS	South Sudan
MK	Madagascar North Macedonia	ST	Sao Tome and Principe
ML	Mali	SV	El Salvador
MM	Myanmar	SX	Sint Maarten (Dutch part)
MN	Mongolia	SY	Syrian Arab Republic
MO	Macao, China	SZ	Eswatini
MP	Northern Mariana Islands	TC	Turks and Caisas Islands
MR	Mauritania	TD	Turks and Caicos Islands Chad
MS	Montserrat	TG	Togo
MT	Malta	TH	Thailand
MU	Mauritius	TJ	Tajikistan
MV	Maldives	TL	Timor–Leste
MW	Malawi	TM	Turkmenistan
MX	Mexico	TN	Tunisia
MY	Malaysia	TO	Tonga
MZ	Mozambique	TR	Turkey
NA	Namibia	TT	Trinidad and Tobago
NE	Niger	TV	Tuvalu
NG	Nigeria	TW	Taiwan Province of China
NI	Nicaragua	TZ	United Republic of Tanzania
NL	Netherlands	UA	Ukraine
NO	Norway	UG	Uganda
NP	Nepal	US	United States of America
NR	Nauru	UY	Uruguay
NZ	New Zealand	UZ	Uzbekistan
OA	African Intellectual Property		
	Organization (OAPI) <sup>(1)</sup> (13)		



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VA	Holy See	XN	Nordic Patent Institute (NPI)(1) (13)	
VC VE	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	XU	International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) <sup>(13)</sup>	
VG	British Virgin Islands	XV	Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI)(1) (13)	
VN VU	Viet Nam Vanuatu	YE	Yemen	
WO	World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) (International Bureau of) <sup>(4)</sup> (13)	ZA ZM	South Africa Zambia	
WS	Samoa	ZW	Zimbabwe	

[Annex II follows]



## **ANNEX II, SECTION 1**

### LIST OF STATES IN RESPECT OF WHICH CODES HAVE CHANGED

Country	Code used before 1.1.1978	New Code used from 1.1.1978
Albania Algeria Austria	AN AG OE	AL DZ AT
Bahrain Bangladesh Barbados Benin Bhutan Botswana Burkina Faso Burma (see Myanmar)	BB BA BD DA BH BT UV	BH BD BB BJ BT BW HV/BF <sup>(6)</sup>
Cambodia Cameroon Central African Republic Chad Chile China Congo	CD KA ZR TS CE RC CF	KH CM CF TD CL CN CG
Democratic Kampuchea (see Cambodia) Democratic People's Republic of Korea Democratic Republic of the Congo Dominican Republic	KN CB DR	KP ZR/CD <sup>(7)</sup> DO
East Timor (see Timor–Leste) Egypt El Salvador Ethiopia	– ET SL EA	– EG SV ET
Finland	SF	FI
Gambia Germany Guatemala Guinea	GE DT GU GI	GM DE GT GN
Haiti Holy See Honduras	HI CV HO	HT VA HN
Ireland	El	ΙE

Country	Code used before 1.1.1978	New Code used from 1.1.1978
Japan	JA	JP
Kuwait	KU	KW
Liechtenstein	FL	LI
Madagascar Mali Malta Mauritania Mauritius Mongolia Myanmar	MD MJ ML MT MS MO BU	MG ML MT MR MU MN MM <sup>(8)</sup>
Nicaragua Niger Nigeria	NA NI WN	NI NE NG
Oman	MU	ОМ
Panama Papua New Guinea Paraguay Poland	PM PP PG PO	PA PG PY PL
Republic of Korea Romania	KS RU	KR RO
Sierra Leone Sri Lanka Sweden Syrian Arab Republic	WL CL SW SR	SL LK SE SY
Timor–Leste Togo Tonga Trinidad and Tobago	TP TO TI TD	TL <sup>(9)</sup> TG TO TT
United Republic of Tanzania	TA	TZ
Zaire (see Democratic Republic of the Congo) Zambia	ZB	ZM

[Section 2 follows]



## **ANNEX II, SECTION 2**

## LIST OF STATES OR ORGANIZATIONS THAT EXISTED ON JANUARY 1, 1978, BUT THAT NO LONGER EXIST

Czechoslovakia	
Democratic Yemen	SY/YD(10)
German Democratic Republic	DL/DD(11)
International Patent Institute	
Soviet Union	
Yugoslavia/Serbia and Montenegro	YU <sup>(12)</sup>

[Annex III follows]



#### **ANNEX III**

### PROCEDURE FOR THE REVISION OF WIPO STANDARD ST.3

- 1. The International Bureau would revise the short form of names of states, territories and names of intergovernmental organizations in WIPO Standard ST.3 and notify the members of the Committee on WIPO Standards (CWS members) the revision as follows:
- (a) The International Bureau would revise WIPO Standard ST.3 by incorporating changes regarding the short form of state names as adopted by the UN Terminology Database (UNTERM). With regard to territory names or where a deviation from state names in UNTERM is required, the International Bureau would also revise WIPO Standard ST.3 by incorporating the necessary changes based on established WIPO practice reflecting official requests by the states concerned. With regard to names of intergovernmental organizations, the International Bureau would similarly revise WIPO Standard ST.3 by incorporating the changes identified or received by the International Bureau from the intergovernmental organizations concerned; and
- (b) The International Bureau would then publish the revised WIPO Standard ST.3 on WIPO's website, followed by a notification informing the CWS members of the publication of the revision.
- 2. With regard to a revision of WIPO Standard ST.3 other than the names mentioned in paragraph 1 above, such as changes to two-letter codes, the International Bureau should prepare a proposal for the revision for consideration and approval by the CWS members as follows:
- (a) The International Bureau would prepare a proposal for the revision of WIPO Standard ST.3. In particular, in regard to two-letter alphabetic codes of states and territories, the International Bureau would prepare a proposal for the revision of WIPO Standard ST.3 by incorporating changes already adopted by ISO 3166/MA. With regard to two-letter alphabetic codes of intergovernmental organizations, the International Bureau will prepare a proposal for the revision of WIPO Standard ST.3 by incorporating a suitable two-letter code representing the organization concerned;
- (b) The International Bureau would issue a circular inviting the CWS members to consider the proposal and respond within two months;
- (c) If consensus is reached within the two-month period, then the International Bureau would publish the revised WIPO Standard ST.3; and
- (d) If consensus is not reached, the International Bureau proposal, together with the remarks submitted, would be forwarded to the following CWS session for consideration and final decision.

[End of Annex III and of Standard]

<sup>(1)</sup> Intergovernmental organizations (regional patent offices) acting for certain Contracting States under the PCT (Patent Cooperation Treaty). In the case of the European Patent Office, it is the operational organ of the European Patent Organization.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Benelux Office for Intellectual Property (BOIP) (former Benelux Trademark and Designs Offices) have replaced the national Offices of Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands with regard to actions relating to marks and industrial designs.

<sup>(3)</sup> In the electronic database of the International Register of Marks, the International Bureau of WIPO uses the following additional codes, not part of the active codes of Standard ST.3: "DD" to designate Germany without the territory that, prior to October 3, 1990, constituted the Federal Republic of Germany; "DT" to designate Germany without the territory that, prior to October 3, 1990, constituted the German Democratic Republic.

The code "WO" is used in relation to the international publication under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) of international applications filed with any PCT receiving Office, as well as in the publication of international deposits of industrial designs under the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Deposit of Industrial Designs. In this regard, reference is made to INID code (33) given in WIPO Standards ST.9 and ST.80. The code "WO" is also the appropriate code to be used with respect to international registrations of marks under the Madrid Agreement and the Madrid Protocol Concerning the International Registration of Marks. The code "IB" is used in relation to the receipt of international applications under the PCT filed with the International Bureau of WIPO in its capacity as a PCT receiving Office.



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- (5) Provisional name.
- (6) Code BF adopted in 1984.
- (7) Code CD adopted in 1997.
- (8) Code MM adopted in 1989.
- (9) Code TL adopted on May 20, 2002.
- (10) Code SY used before 1.1.1978.
- (11) Code DL used before 1.1.1978.
- Subsequent to the country name change of "Yugoslavia" to "Serbia and Montenegro", that took effect on February 4, 2003, and to the decision by the ISO 3166/MA to use the new country name and new two-letter code "CS" (to replace "YU"), which was announced on July 23, 2003, the SCIT Standards and Documentation Working Group agreed, at its fifth session, in November 11, 2004, to recommend that the two-letter code "YU" continue to be used for "Serbia and Montenegro" in the industrial property field because code "CS" raised certain problems due to its former use to represent "Czechoslovakia" until 1993.
- (13) The acronym or abbreviation of an entity is not part of its name.
- The two-letter codes "EP", "EM", and "QZ" must be used to indicate the corresponding Office defined in this Standard while the Code "EU" must be used to indicate other institutions in the European Union. Additionally, the codes must be used in the following situations:
  - "EP" for documentation and information related to patents administered by the European Patent Office (EPO);
  - "EM" for documentation and information related to European Union Trademarks and European Union Industrial Designs administered by the European Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO), and for the designation of the European Union in the Madrid and Hague Systems;
  - "QZ" for documentation and information related to Community Plant Variety Rights administered by the Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO); and
  - "EU" for documentation and information related to other rights applicable in the European Union and not covered by the codes "EP", "EM" and "QZ", such as marketing authorizations approved by the European Medicines Agency or geographical indications protected under EU legislation.