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et
Organisation européenne des brevets**

Accord complémentaire entre l'État du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg et l'Organisation européenne des brevets concernant l'inviolabilité des archives de l'Organisation européenne des brevets. Luxembourg, 5 mars 2018

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[ENGLISH TEXT – TEXTE ANGLAIS]

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between
the State of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
and
the European Patent Organisation
concerning the inviolability of the archives of the European Patent Organisation

THE STATE OF THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG

AND

THE EUROPEAN PATENT ORGANISATION (EPO)

HAVING REGARD TO the Convention on the Grant of European Patents of 5 October 1973;

HAVING REGARD TO Article 25 of the Protocol on Privileges and Immunities of the European Patent Organisation;

RECOGNISING the need to protect the inviolability of the EPO's archives also where these archives consist of material in other form than paper and are held by third parties outside the EPO's Headquarters, branch and sub-offices;

REAFFIRMING that the scope of Article 2 of the Protocol on Privileges and Immunities of the European Patent Organisation includes – in addition to traditional archives – any correspondence, documents, manuscripts, photographs, films, recordings, computer and media data, data carriers and any other similar material belonging to or held by the Organisation;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1
Inviolability of the archives

The inviolability referred to in Article 2 of the Protocol on Privileges and Immunities of the European Patent Organisation shall apply to the entire archives, correspondence, documents, manuscripts, photographs, films, recordings, computer and media data, data carriers and any other similar material belonging to or held by the Organisation, wherever they are located and by whomsoever they are held, and all the information contained therein.

Article 2
Territorial field of application

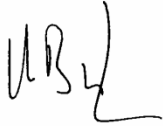
This Complementary Agreement shall be applicable only to the territory of the State of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

Article 3
Entry into force and duration

This Complementary Agreement shall enter into force upon notification by the State of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg that the necessary constitutional requirements have been fulfilled. It shall apply for as long as the Convention on the Grant of European Patents of 5 October 1973 and the Protocol on Privileges and Immunities of the European Patent Organisation are in force for the State of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

Done at Luxembourg on the 5th of March 2018 in two originals in the English, French and German languages, each text being equally authentic.

For the European Patent Organisation

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For the State of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

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