

Addendum No. 1
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The Eurasian Patent Office of the Eurasian Patent Organization ("EAPO"),

and,

the European Patent Office ("the EPO"),

jointly referred to as "the Offices" below,

CONSIDERING:

the terms of Memorandum of Understanding No. 2016/0412, as signed by the Offices on 04 October 2016, in Geneva, Switzerland, hereinafter referred to as «the Memorandum», in particular the Third Provision thereof, together with the subsequent Offices' evaluation of the Memorandum implementation results;

THE OFFICES NOW UNDERSTAND THAT THE FOLLOWING TIME EXTENSION AND AMENDMENTS TO THE MEMORANDUM ARE NECESSARY (in bold below):

- 1. The Memorandum is extended for a further period of four years, as from 04 October 2019.**
- 2. The Ninth Provision, first sentence, of the Memorandum is amended so as to now read as follows:**

EAPO **will keep using** the CPC to classify the frontfile patent documents in **all** technical fields and will make the corresponding CPC data available to the EPO once the patent applications are published.

- 3. The Tenth Provision of the Memorandum is amended so as to now read as follows:**

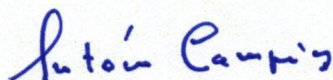
As from 01 January 2020 onwards, EAPO will start using the CPC to classify the backfile of

patent documents not already classified in CPC in **all** technical fields and will make the corresponding CPC data available to the EPO. **As from 01 January 2022 onwards, EAPO will start reclassifying its unique patent documents following CPC revisions so as to ensure that its patent documents keep bearing valid CPC allocations over time.**

4. The extension and amendments above are deemed to form an integral part of the Memorandum.
5. Save as specified above, the other provisions of the Memorandum remain unaffected and in effect.

Signed in Geneva on 2nd Oct 2019, in two originals, both in the English language and in the Russian language. In the event of discrepancy between the two language versions, the English version will prevail for interpretation purposes.

For the European Patent Office



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