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## Delay in IE legal status data production

Due to circumstances beyond our control, there will be a delay in the delivery of the Irish legal status (PRS) data.

We expect to resume updating IE data around mid July 2008. As soon as we have more information on the data, we will publish another Newsflash.

Please accept our apologies for the inconvenience caused by this delay.

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## Re-key of British legal status data

As of the beginning of April 2008, there has been a delay in the delivery of British legal status (PRS) data due to the changes in their delivery format.

Because of the changes that have to be made, the inclusion of GB legal status data has unfortunately been interrupted causing a delay in the update procedure but we estimate that the data will be available in four weeks time.

In the midst of these changes, we are using this opportunity to make some modifications in the PRS codes in order to enhance the free text string. Additional information, wherever provided, will be made available in the attributes.

In future, most of the 7xxx codes and the 9xxx codes will be substituted by a lesser number of codes. These codes will be named S nn (for section) and R nn (for rule).

e.g. 7720 - amended specification will appear as S 72

More information on these changes will be provided to you in a future communication.

Please note: Due to the very frequent usage of the codes listed below, we have decided not to alter these codes. The three following codes will remain in use so that queries programmed with these codes are not disrupted.

GB732E	Amendments to the register in respect of changes of name or changes affecting rights (Sect. 32/1977)
GB746	Register noted 'Licences of Rights' (Sect. 46/1977)
GB789A	Payment for publication of Transaction (Sect 89(A) 1977)

## Update of Newsflash 5/2008 - Re-key of British legal status data

As previously announced, new GB codes have been generated.

Many of the older codes have not been deleted because they are extensively used in SDI profiles and therefore will remain in the code list; here a listing of the most common ones:

GBCOOA	CHANGE IN APPLICANT'S NAME OR OWNERSHIP OF THE APPLICATION
GB732	REGISTRATION OF TRANSACTIONS, INSTRUMENTS OR EVENTS IN THE REGISTER (SECT. 32/1977)
GB746	REGISTER NOTED 'LICENCES OF RIGHT' (SECT. 46/1977)
GB789A	REQUEST FOR PUBLICATION OF TRANSLATION (SECT. 89(A)/1977)
GB PTC	APPEALS TO THE COURT

Please see also the [changes in legal status codes from week 21, 2008](#)

A solution to condensing the number of codes has been found by including details in the free-text.

The new codes begin with "S" to signify the 'Section' in which the corresponding law is found.

Below, a list of the new and revised GB legal status (PRS) codes

GBS12A	DETERMINATION OF FOREIGN ENTITLEMENT (SECT. 12(1)/PATENTSACT1977)
GBS13A	APPLICATION FOR INVENTOR TO BE MENTIONED (SECTION 13(1)/PATENTS ACT 1977)
GBS20A	REINSTATEMENT OF APPLICATION (SECT. 20A/PATENTS ACT 1977)
GBS27	AMENDMENT OF SPECIFICATION AFTER GRANT (SECT. 27/PATENTS ACT 1977)
GBS37A	REFERENCE AFTER GRANT CONCERNING UK ENTITLEMENT (SECT. 37(1)/PATENTS ACT 1977)
GBS47	CANCELLATION ON ENTRY ON THE REGISTER OF A LICENCE OF RIGHT SECT 47/PATENTS ACT 1977)
GBS72	APPLICATION FOR REVOCATION BEFORE THE COMPTROLLER (SECT. 72/PATENTS ACT 1977)
GBS73	REVOCATION ON COMPTROLLER'S INITIATIVE (SECTION 73/PATENTS ACT1977)
GBS75	AMENDMENT OF PATENT IN INFRINGEMENT OR REVOCATION PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE COURT (SECT. 75/PATENTS ACT 1977)
GBS8A	DETERMINATION BEFORE GRANT OF UK ENTITLEMENT (SECTION 8(1)/PATENTS ACT 1077)
GBAAF	AMENDED APPLICATION FILED
GBAPTC	APPEALS TO THE COURT
GBPCOR	CORRECTION OF FILING AN APPLICATION OR GRANTING A PATENT
GBRCOR	CORRECTION TO FORMER NOTICE OF VOID, REVOKED, CEASED OR EXPIRED PATENT
GBS12A	DETERMINATION OF FOREIGN ENTITLEMENT (12(1)/PATENTS ACT 1977)

# New Eurasian data in the PRS legal status database

We are pleased to inform you that the Eurasian Patent Office has delivered legal status data to the EPO.

Beginning with week 23/2008, the EA data will be available in the INPADOC legal status and will include data from the very first patents issued by EAPO.

The data will be updated every two months.

Here below, a list of the PRS codes:

EADZ4A	EURASIAN PATENT ASSIGNED FOR AMENDMENT OF CLAIMS
EAF4A	- WITHDRAWAL OF A EURASIAN APPLICATION
EAHC1A	CHANGE IN NAME OF AN APPLICANT IN A EURASIAN APPLICATION
EAHM1A	CHANGE IN COMPOSITION OF INVENTORS IN A PUBLISHED EURASIAN APPLICATION
EAHM2A	CHANGE IN COMPOSITION OF INVENTORS IN A PUBLISHED EURASIAN APPLICATION
EALD4A	LIST OF REISSUED SPECIFICATION TO EURASIAN PATENT
EAMC4A	- REVOCATION OF A EURASIAN PATENT UNDER OPPOSITION PROCEDURE
EAMF4A	- REVOCATION OF A EURASIAN PATENT AS INVALID ENTIRELY
EAMH4D	- REVOCATION OF A EURASIAN PATENT IN PART
EAMM4A	- LAPSE OF A EURASIAN PATENT IN CONTRACTING STATES DUE TO NON-PAYMENT WITHIN THE TIME LIMIT OF RENEWAL FEES
EAND4A	EXTENSION OF TERM OF A EURASIAN PATENT
EANF4A	+ RESTORATION OF LAPSED RIGHT TO A EURASIAN PATENT
EANF9A	+ RESTORATION OF LAPSED RIGHT TO A EURASIAN APPLICATION
EAPC1A	REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER TO A EURASIAN APPLICATION BY FORCE OF ASSIGNMENT
EAPC4A	REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER OF A EURASIAN PATENT BY ASSIGNMENT
EAPD1A	REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER TO A EURASIAN APPLICATION BY ORDER OF SUCCESSION IN TITLE
EAPD4A	REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER OF A EURASIAN PATENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SUCCESSION IN TITLE
EAPZ1A	REGISTRATION OF PLEDGE OF RIGHTS TO A EURASIAN APPLICATION
EAPZ4A	REGISTRATION OF PLEDGE OF RIGHTS TO A EURASIAN PATENT
EAQB4A	REGISTRATION OF A LICENSE IN A CONTRACTING STATE
EAQC4A	TERMINATION OF A REGISTERED LICENSE IN A CONTRACTING STATE
EARH4A	GRANT OF A DUPLICATE OF A EURASIAN PATENT
EATB4A	CORRECTION OF COMPOSITION OF INVENTORS IN A PUBLISHED EURASIAN PATENT
EATC4A	CHANGE IN NAME OF A PATENT PROPRIETOR IN A EURASIAN PATENT
EATH4A	CORRECTION OF GENERAL CHARACTER IN A PUBLISHED EURASIAN PATENT
EATK4A	CORRECTIONS IN PUBLISHED EURASIAN PATENTS