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Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

We have the pleasure of sending you herewith no. 9/2004 of our Newsletter "Legal Information". We hope you will enjoy reading it.

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1. Disclosure of Source in Patent Applications

In October 2004, Switzerland presented a third submission (http://www.wipo.int/pct/reform/en/draftdocs/wg7/pct_r_wg_7_paper_7.pdf) to the Working Group on PCT-Reform, which will take place in the spring 2005. This document contains further observations on the proposals by Switzerland regarding the declaration of the source, further specifying the submission of May 2003. These observations concern the formal versus the substantive nature of the disclosure requirement, the optional versus mandatory introduction of disclosure requirement at the national level, and the concept of the source.

2. Intergovernmental Committee of WIPO

The seventh session of the Intergovernmental Committee was held in Geneva, November 1-5, 2004 (report of the Swiss delegation in French: <http://www.ige.ch/F/jurinfo/documents/j110002f.pdf> / official documents: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=6183).

3. FAQ / patents

Updated version of the most frequently asked questions about patents in German: <http://www.ige.ch/D/jurinfo/documents/j10010d.pdf> and in French: <http://www.ige.ch/F/jurinfo/documents/j10010f.pdf>

4. Holiday Hours 2004

During the holiday period we will be open as usual (M-F 8:00-12:00 a.m. and 1:00-5:00 p.m.) except for December 24th and December 31st when we will close at 12 noon.

Our normal operating hours return January 3, 2005.

Yours sincerely,

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