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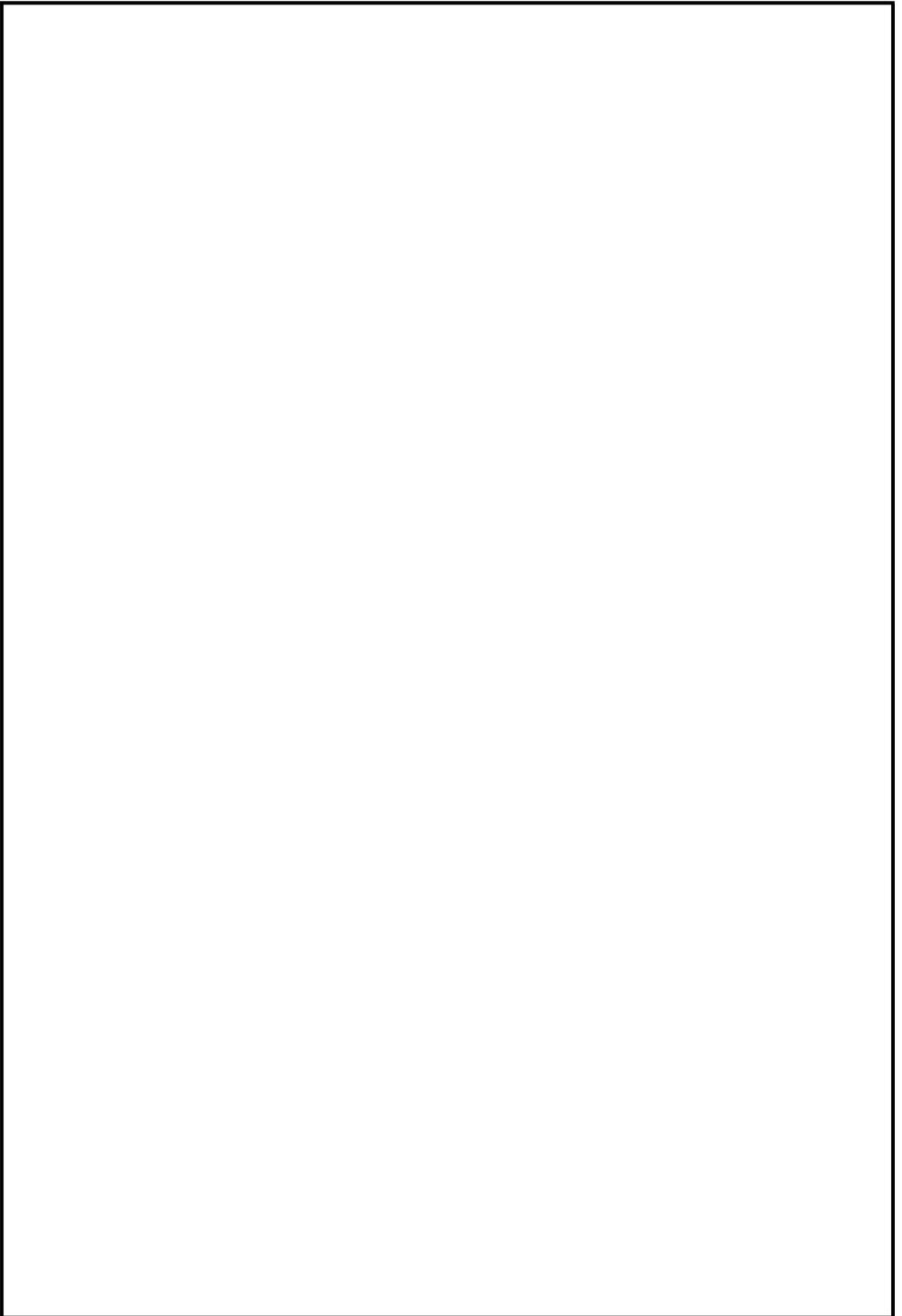
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ALEGRIA

Patent Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of Attorney.
2. A separate power of attorney is required for each application.
3. The name, address and nationality of the applicant and the inventor(s).
4. A copy of the international publication.
5. Two copies of the specification and claims in Arabic.
6. Two sets of formal drawings in Arabic.
7. A copy of International Search Report.
8. A copy of the international preliminary examination report, if any

Design Requirements

1. Simply signed power of attorney for each application.
2. Two copies of the design model if it is a two-dimensional design or two copies of each view for a three-dimensional design.
3. Summary description of each design with the representation sheet.
4. Notarized deed of assignment signed by the inventor.
5. A certified copy of the Priority Document along with a verified French/Arabic translation should be submitted within three months from the filing date.

BAHRAIN

Patent Requirements

1. Apostilled power of attorney – If an Apostille cannot be obtained, the power of attorney should be legalized up to the Bahraini consulate.
2. One copy of the English specification and claims together with certified Arabic translation.
3. One clear set of drawings relating to the invention, if any, along with a certified Arabic translation.
4. Title and abstract of the invention in no more than 200 words, together with the best explanatory diagram.
5. Apostilled deed of assignment signed by the inventor – If an Apostille cannot be obtained, the assignment deed should be legalized up to the Bahraini consulate.
6. A copy of priority document as filed at WIPO giving the filing date, number and country, if priority is claimed. If this document is not in English a simple English and certified Arabic translation must be provided.
7. Names, addresses and nationality of the applicant and inventor(s).
8. If the patent application is related to a Microorganism, a certificate of Deposit of Microorganism culture is required.
9. If the patent application is related to Genetic resources or traditional knowledge, documents indicating the source are required.
10. PCT documents - Publication Sheet and Search and Examination Reports (optional).

A patent application can be filed with the specification, claims and drawings in English along with a simply signed POA and Arabic translation of the abstract. The remaining documents can be submitted within three months from the date of filing the patent application. Arabic translation of the specification, claims and drawings can be submitted within 4 months from the filing date.

BAHRAIN

Design Requirements

1. A certified copy of the Priority document along with its Arabic translation should be filed within 3 months from the filing date.
2. Apostilled Power of Attorney to be filed within 3 months from the filing date. If an Apostille cannot be obtained, the power of attorney should be legalized up to the Bahraini consulate.
3. The term for claiming conventional priority is six months from the priority date.

A design application may include up to 50 designs, provided that together they form a homogeneous unit.

The official language of the proceedings before the Bahraini patent office is Arabic; however, it is possible to file an application in the English language. If filed in English, certified Arabic translation should be filed within 4 months.

EGYPT

Patent Requirements

1. Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Egyptian Consulate. *[can be filed within a non-extendible period of 4 months]*
2. A deed of assignment legalized up to the Egyptian Consulate. *[Not required for PCT applications, unless the name of the applicant is different from the name stated on PCT publication] - [can be filed within a non-extendible period of 4 months]*
3. The name, address, nationality and profession or nature of business of the applicant(s) and the inventor(s).
4. The specification in English along with its Arabic translation. The specification must be subdivided as follows:
 - a. Prior art.
 - b. Drawbacks of the prior art.
 - c. What is new about the invention (improvements).
 - d. Detailed description.
 - e. Mode of exploitation of the invention.
 - f. Claims.
5. A summary of the invention (abstract) in English and Arabic (in about 100 words).
6. One set of formal drawings.
7. A certified copy of the certificate of incorporation duly legalized up to the Egyptian Consulate. *[Not required for PCT applications, unless the name of the applicant is different from the name stated on PCT publication] - [can be filed within a non-extendible period of 4 months]*
8. A certified copy of the priority document. *[Not required for PCT applications] [can be filed within a non-extendible period of 3 months].*
9. Copy of PCT publication.



EGYPT

Design Requirements

1. Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Egyptian Consulate.
2. A deed of assignment legalized up to the Egyptian Consulate.
3. The name, address, nationality and profession or nature of business of the applicant(s) and the inventor(s).
4. A certified copy of the certificate of incorporation or the extract from the commercial register duly legalized up to the Egyptian Consulate.
5. Four copies of the drawings.
6. Description of the design.
7. A certified copy of the priority document.

INDIA

Patent Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of attorney.
2. Form -1 or deed of assignment executed by the inventor(s).
3. English Translation of Priority and PCT Application, if not in English along with a translation certificate.
4. Specification, abstract, claims, and drawings (in word and pdf formats).
5. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed (if IB-304 is not present).

Design Requirements

1. Name, address and nationality of the applicant.
2. Representation of the design preferably including front, back, left, right, top, bottom and all perspective views of the article.
3. Power of Attorney executed in original.
4. Priority Documents (if priority is claimed).
5. Class and sub-class of goods for which registration is sought according to the Locarno Classification.
6. Payment of the prescribed filing fee.

An Indian industrial design application should contain one single design and refer to one class only.

If the Priority Document is not submitted at the time of filing the application, an extension of time from 1-3 months after payment of the prescribed official fee is possible.

If the priority document is not in English, a certified English translation thereof is required to be filed along with the priority document.

The term for filing a design application claiming conventional priority in India is six months from the priority date. This term is non-extendable.

IRAQ

Patent Requirements

1. Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Iraqi Consulate.
2. A deed of assignment legalized up to the Iraqi Consulate.
3. The name, address, nationality and profession or nature of business of the applicant(s) and the inventor(s).
4. The specification in English along with its Arabic translation.
5. A summary of the invention (abstract) in English and Arabic.
6. One set of formal drawings, if any.
7. A certified copy of the priority document.
8. Home registration of the patent, legalized from the Iraqi consulate.

Design Requirements

1. Power of attorney duly legalized up to the Iraqi Consulate.
2. 8 copies of the summary description of the design.
3. Two miniature models of the design.
4. Design search is not applicable in Iraq.

The required documents for patents and designs can be submitted within three months from the date of filing, which is extendable for another 3 months subject to late filing surcharge.

A design registration in Iraq is valid for 10 years starting from the registration date. Annuities are to be paid from the registration date to maintain the design registration.



JORDAN

Patent Requirements

1. Power of attorney legalized by the Jordanian Consulate.
2. Patent Form signed by the Applicant and Inventors, legalized by the Jordanian Consulate.
3. Three copies of specifications, claims, and drawings in English language with Arabic translation.
4. Abstract of about 200 words in the English language with Arabic translation.
5. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.
6. Certified copy of the certificate of incorporation or extract from the commercial register for the applicant(s), if the applicant is a company.

Design Requirements

1. Power of attorney duly notarized and legalized up to the Jordanian Consulate.
2. Three sets representations of the design.
3. The goods covered by the design and the material used in producing these items.
4. A description of the design pointing out its novel aspects.
5. Extract from the commercial register legalized from the Jordanian consulate.
6. Declaration of ownership, if the designer is different from the applicant.
7. Certified copy of priority document, if priority is claimed.

Annuities or maintenance fees are not required to be paid on new design applications; registration fees are paid in full upon filing the application.



KUWAIT

Patent Requirements

1. Power of attorney legalized up to the Kuwaiti Consulate.
2. A copy of the certificate of incorporation or extract from commercial register of the Applicant Company.
3. 2 copies of the specification in English with Arabic translation.
4. 2 sets of formal drawings and 2 sets of drawings without any Latin numerals or words, in English with Arabic translation.
5. Deed of assignment from the inventor(s), legalized up to the Kuwaiti Consulate.
6. A certified copy of priority document, if priority is claimed.

All the above documents may be submitted within 3 months from the filing date.

Design Requirements

1. Power of Attorney, legalized up to the Kuwaiti consulate.
2. A copy of the certificate of incorporation or extract from commercial register of the Applicant Company.
3. 2 representations of the design.
4. Description of the design.
5. Deed of assignment from the designer(s), legalized up to the Kuwaiti consulate.
6. Copy of priority document, if priority is claimed.

All the above documents may be submitted within 3 months from the filing date.

LEBANON

Patent Requirements

1. Power of attorney, legalized from the Lebanese Consulate.
2. Deed of assignment if the applicant not the inventor, legalized from the Lebanese Consulate.
3. Specifications, claims, and drawings in English, Arabic, or French language.
4. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.

Design Requirements

1. Power of attorney, legalized from the Lebanese Consulate.
2. 3 sets of drawings.
3. Summary description of the design in triplicate.
4. Full particulars of the applicant.

Lebanese registration system is a deposit system. A single application can cover several designs, but additional fees for each extra sheet is payable.

An industrial model is registrable for an initial term of 25 years starting from the registration date.



LIBYA

Patent Requirements

1. Power of attorney legalized from the Libyan Consulate (in case there is no Libyan Consulate, legalization may be obtained from any other Arab Consulate).
2. Certificate of incorporation or extract from the Commercial Register, legalized from the Libyan Consulate.
3. 3 copies of specifications, claims, and drawings in English and Arabic languages.
4. Deed of assignment, legalized from the Libyan Consulate.
5. Certified copy of the priority document together with certified English translation (if priority is claimed), legalized from the Libyan consulate.
6. Copy of International application.
7. Copy of International search report.
8. Copy of preliminary examination report.

Design Requirements

1. Power of Attorney duly legalized up to the Libyan Consulate.
2. Two copies of the design model, if it is a two-dimensional design or two copies of each view of a three-dimensional design.
3. Two copies of description of each design with the representation sheet in English and Arabic.
4. A deed of assignment signed by the inventors, duly notarized and legalized up to the Libyan Consulate.
5. A certified copy of the Priority Document along with its certified Arabic translation - to be submitted within two months from the filing date.
6. An extract from the Commercial Register duly notarized and legalized up to the Libyan Consulate.

MOROCCO

Patent Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of Attorney.
2. Specification and claims in French or Arabic.
3. Formal drawings, if applicable.
4. Certified priority document, if applicable.
5. Copy of International Search Report.
6. Copy of International Publication.
7. Copy of Assignment Deed, if applicable.

Design Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of attorney.
2. 3 sets of representations of the design.
3. Description of the designs.
4. Priority document, in case priority is claimed.

OMAN

Patent Requirements

1. Apostilled Power of attorney.
2. A copy of the Certificate of Incorporation or an Extract from the Commercial Register of the applicant company.
3. Apostilled deed of Assignment executed by the inventor(s), assigning their patent rights to the applicant.
4. A certified copy of priority document (if priority is claimed.) If the document is not in English, a simple English translation is required. Patent number and first filing date should be available at the time of filing.)
5. Inventor and applicant's names, addresses and nationalities.
6. An abstract of the invention of no more than 200 words.
7. Brief description of the invention and claims, the technical field, the drawings, if any.
8. Detailed description of the invention in English and Arabic stating the following:
 - Title of the invention
 - Technical field
 - Technical background
 - Disclosure of the invention
 - Description of drawings
 - Detailed description of the invention
 - Method of industrial application of invention; Claims; Abstract of invention and Drawings, if any.
 - Copies of the International search report and preliminary examination and copy of the PCT application, as published.

Patent applications can be filed without the supporting documents mentioned above, but the Arabic translation of the abstract should be available at the time of filing. All other documents should be filed within three (3) months from the filing date with the exception of legalized power of attorney which should be submitted within two months from filing date. Extension of time is not allowed for submitting the original documents beyond the latter deadline.

OMAN

Design Requirements

1. Description of the designs.
2. Applicant's information (name and address).
3. Apostilled Power of attorney.
4. Apostilled Deed of assignment, if the applicant is not the designer.
5. A certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.
6. A copy of the Certificate of Incorporation or an Extract from the Commercial Register of the applicant company.

In the event getting the documents Apostilled is not possible, the documents should be legalized from the Omani consulate.



PAKISTAN

Patent Requirements

1. Notarized Power of attorney.
2. Form P-2 or P-2A executed by the applicant and endorsed by the inventor.
3. Specification, abstract, claims, and drawings (three copies).
4. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.

Design Requirements

1. Notarized Power of attorney.
2. 4 copies of the design or 2 copies of each perspective, if the design is three-dimensional.
3. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.

GAZA

Patent Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of attorney sealed with the company stamp.
2. Patent Form 1 legalized from the Palestinian Consulate.
3. Certified copy of the home registration certificate.
4. Three copies of specifications, claims and drawings in English and Arabic languages.

Note

Late filing of documents is not allowed.

Design Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of attorney sealed with the company stamp.
2. Three sets of representations of the design.
3. The name, nature of business, nationality and address of the applicant.
4. The class(es) in which the design is to be registered.
5. The goods covered by the design and the material used in producing these items.
6. A description of the design pointing out its novel aspect.



WEST BANK

Patent Requirements

1. Power of attorney legalized from the Palestinian Consulate. (if a Palestinian Consulate is not available in the Applicant's country, legalization from the Jordanian Consulate will suffice.)
2. Three copies of specifications, claims, and drawings in English and Arabic languages.
3. A certified copy of the home registration certificate.
4. Patent Form 1 legalized from the Palestinian Consulate.

Design Requirements

1. Power of attorney legalized from the Palestinian Consulate. (if a Palestinian Consulate is not available in the Applicant's country, legalization from the Jordanian Consulate will suffice.)
2. Three sets of representations of the design.
3. The name, nature of business, nationality and address of the applicant.
4. The class(es) in which the design is to be registered.
5. The goods covered by the design and the material used in producing these items.
6. A description of the design pointing out its novel aspect.

QATAR

Patent Requirements

1. Power of attorney duly legalized up to the Qatari Consulate.
2. A copy of the certificate of incorporation of the applicant company.
3. Three copies of the specification and claims in English, along with Arabic translation.
4. Three copies of the abstract in English and Arabic.
5. One set of drawings relating to the invention, if any.
6. An abstract of the invention in no more than 200 words, together with the best explanatory diagram.
7. A deed of assignment signed by the inventor, if the applicant is not the inventor, duly legalized up to the Qatari consulate.
8. A certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed. (not required for PCT Applications). Can be submitted within three months from the filing date.
9. Full details of the corresponding applications filed in other countries.

Documents (3, 4, 5 and 6) should be submitted on the filing date; while documents (1, 2, 7 and 8) along with Arabic translation of the specification, claims and abstract can be submitted within six months (strictly non-extendible) from the filing date.

Design Requirements

1. Power of attorney duly legalized up to the Qatari Consulate.
2. A copy of the certificate of incorporation of the applicant company.
3. A set of drawings relating to the design.
4. A deed of assignment signed by the inventor, if the applicant is not the inventor, duly legalized up to the Qatari consulate.
5. A certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.
6. The class(es) in which the design is to be registered.
7. A brief description of the design.



SAUDI ARABIA

Patent Requirements

Documents to be filed at the time of filing:

1. An English Specification of the Invention in A4 size paper and Formal Drawings, (if any) prepared strictly in the following order:
 - The abstract (not exceeding one page)
 - Background of the invention
 - Brief description of the invention
 - Brief description of the drawings, if any
 - Full description of the invention
 - Claims
2. An Arabic translation of the entire specification.

Documents that can be filed within 90 days of filing the application:

1. Apostilled Power of Attorney.
2. Apostilled Deed of Assignment executed by the inventor(s) (not required for PCT applications unless requested by the Examiner.)
3. A certified copy of the Priority document together with its English & Arabic translations, if priority is claimed. This document is not required for PCT applications.
4. Two sets of formal drawings (if any); one set should be without numerals.

Documents 3, 4 & 5 must be filed within 90 days from the date of receipt formalities report, subject to payment of late filing fees. Official Extension of time for one month is possible.

In the event getting the documents Apostilled is not possible, the documents should be legalized from the Saudi Arabian consulate.

SAUDI ARABIA

Design Requirements

1. Apostilled power of attorney.
2. Title of the design.
3. Brief description of the design.
4. Classification of the design.
5. Name, gender, address, P.O. Box, e-mail address, phone, mobile and fax numbers and nationality of the inventors.
6. A certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.
7. Apostilled deed of assignment executed by the designer.
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The documents 2, 3 and 4 must be filed at the time of filing the application, whereas, documents 1, 5 and 6 can be filed within 3 months from the date of filing.

Several drawings can be filed in one application if they belong to the same design.

In the event getting the documents Apostilled is not possible, the documents should be legalized from the Saudi Arabian consulate.



SRI LANKA

Patent Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of attorney.
2. Description including claims, drawings, and abstract.
3. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.

Design Requirements

1. Simply signed and stamped Power of Attorney must be provided within three months from filing the industrial design application in Sri Lanka.
2. A copy of the Deed of Assignment, If the applicant is not the designer.
3. The certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed, must be submitted within three months from the date of filing.
4. Applicant's details
5. A copy of the drawings.
6. List of products for which the industrial design is to be used and an indication of the class or classes in which such products are included.
7. A declaration by the applicant that the industrial design is new to the best of their knowledge.



SUDAN

Patent Requirements

1. Notarized Power of attorney.
2. Specification, claims, formal drawings, and abstract.
3. Deed of assignment, if the applicant is not the inventor, legalized from the Sudanese Consulate.
4. Certified copy of the certificate of incorporation or an extract from the commercial register with Arabic or English translation, legalized from the Sudanese Consulate.
5. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.

Design Requirements

1. Notarized Power of attorney.
2. Drawings of the industrial design.
3. Description of the drawings.
4. Certified copy of the certificate of incorporation or an extract from the commercial register with Arabic or English translation, legalized from the Sudanese Consulate.
5. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.

Documents 1-4 must be submitted at the time of filing. Document 5 may be submitted within 3 months from filing date.

TANZANIA

Patent Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of attorney.
2. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.
3. Specification, claims, formal drawings, and abstract.

Design Requirements

Currently, it is not possible to obtain design protection through submitting a national application in Tanzania. Since Tanzania is a member of ARIPO, design protection can be obtained through filing an application in ARIPO designating Tanzania.

ARIPO registration requirement:

1. Simply signed power of attorney.
2. Graphic/ photographic representations of the design.
3. Assignment from the creators (if applicable).
4. Priority document.

TUNISIA

Patent Requirements

1. Simply signed Power of Attorney.
2. 3 copies of specification and claims in English, French or Arabic.
3. 3 sets of formal drawings, if applicable.
4. Certified priority document, if applicable. Priority document can be submitted within 90 days of filing the application.
5. *Copy of international preliminary search report.*
6. *Copy of International Publication.*
7. *Copy of Assignment Deed, if applicable.*

Design Requirements

1. Simply signed power of attorney.
2. Four representations of the design.
3. Four copies of the description (if necessary).

Notes:

The Tunisian IPO accept patent applications and documents in French, English or Arabic.

It is admissible to submit multiple figures in the same form.



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Patent Requirements

1. Notarized power of attorney.
2. Certified company registration certificate.
3. A copy of the specification and claims in English, together with its Arabic translation.
4. Drawings relating to the invention, if any.
5. An abstract of the invention of no more than 200 words with the best explanatory diagram together with its Arabic translation.
6. Notarized deed of assignment signed by the inventors.
7. A certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed. (not required for PCT Applications).

Documents under items (3, 4 and 5) should be submitted at the patent office on the filing date in both English and Arabic, while documents (1, 2, 6 and 7) can be submitted within 90 days (strictly non-extendible).

Design Requirements

1. Notarized power of attorney.
2. Certified company registration certificate.
3. Representations the design if it is a two-dimensional design or of each view of a three-dimensional design.
4. Brief description of the design.
5. Notarized Deed of assignment signed by the inventors.
6. A certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.

The documents under items (3, 4) should be submitted at the patent office on the filing date of the application in both English and Arabic. A maximum of 90 days (strictly non-extendible) is available to submit the remaining documents. If the priority document is submitted later on, details of the priority application should be available at the time of filing.

YEMEN

Patent Requirements

1. Power of attorney legalized from the Yemeni Consulate.
2. Deed of assignment the inventor(s), legalized from the Yemeni Consulate.
3. Copies of specifications, claims, and drawings in English and Arabic languages.
4. Certified copy of the corresponding patent application or registration legalized by the Yemeni Consulate.
5. Certified copy of the certificate of incorporation or an extract from the commercial register with its Arabic or English translation, legalized from the Yemeni consulate.
6. Certified copy of the priority document, if priority is claimed.

Notes:

Late filing of documents: 90 days from the date of filing.

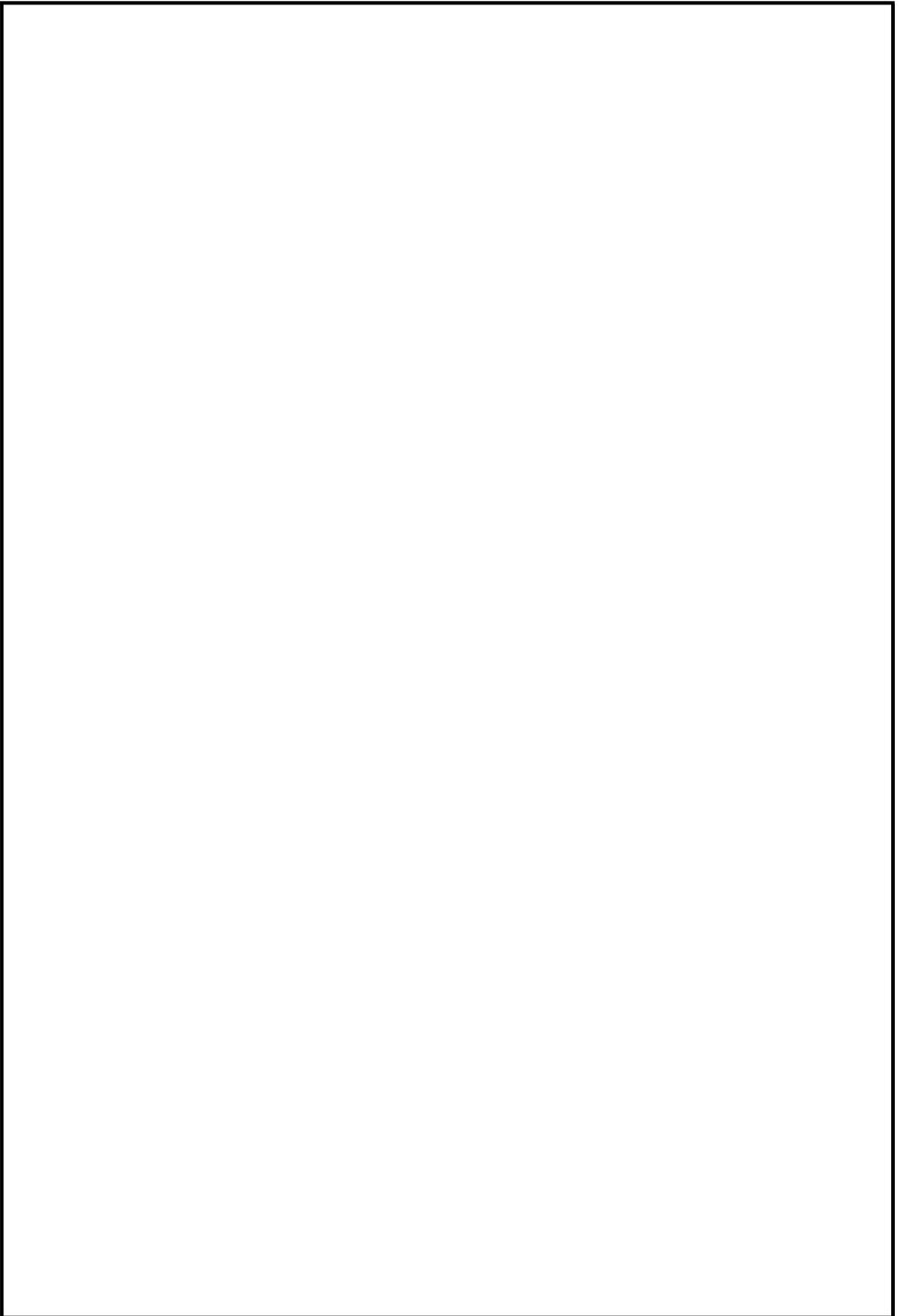
Design Requirements

1. Power of attorney duly legalized up to the Yemeni Consulate.
2. Deed of assignment from the inventor(s), legalized up to the Yemeni Consulate.
3. Two copies of the model or design.
4. Certified copy of the certificate of incorporation or extract from the commercial register, duly legalized up to the Yemeni consulate.

Patent and design applications should be filed with the complete set of required documents, as late filing of documents is not permissible.

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**Protecting Intellectual Property with intellect.
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Audiri Vox's exponential expansion is a testament to client confidence which is evident from the multitude of cases managed by the firm. Leveraging a robust local clientele with expansive global portfolios, Audiri Vox operates as a truly multi-jurisdictional firm, actively advocating trademark and patent rights worldwide. Beyond its Middle Eastern client base, Audiri Vox represents various global industry leaders in managing their portfolios across the Middle East, South Asia, and Africa.

Audiri Vox's seasoned attorneys streamline trademark and patent processes, ensuring swift registrations and minimal objections. Managing multiple high-value global trademark and patent portfolios, the firm diligently monitors clients' IP rights to maintain their validity and providing proactive notifications to prevent cancellations. Known for proficiently advising on complex issues, Audiri Vox serves as the trusted source for freedom-to-operate searches, registrability opinions, patent drafting, Arabic translations, prosecution, litigation, Customs seizures, licensing, franchising, data protection, and divestiture of rights.

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