



C. CWS 152

July 7, 2021

Re: Implementation plan of WIPO Standard ST.61

Madam,  
Sir,

At its eighth session in 2020, the Committee on WIPO Standards (CWS) requested the Secretariat to issue a circular inviting Intellectual Property Offices (IPOs) to assess their business practices and IT systems with regard to WIPO Standard ST.61 (trademark legal status), and submit an implementation plan and mapping table for their Office (see paragraph 30 of document CWS/8/24). Standard ST.61 is available on the WIPO website at: [http://www.wipo.int/standards/en/part\\_03\\_standards.html](http://www.wipo.int/standards/en/part_03_standards.html).

./ The International Bureau hereby invites IPOs to provide the results of (a) an assessment on their business practices and IT systems, including their tentative schedule for the implementation of Standard ST.61; and (b) a review of the detailed events in relation to their respective laws and practices. Your response should include a provisional mapping table between ST.61 events and your Office events. A mapping table template is provided as an attachment to this circular. You can also download the template from the following page: <https://www.wipo.int/cws/en/circulars/>.

Your Office/Organization is kindly requested to submit your implementation plan with the mapping table by email to [cws.mail@wipo.int](mailto:cws.mail@wipo.int) with subject "WIPO ST.61 Implementation Plan" by August 12, 2021. It would be appreciated if the number of this circular (C. CWS 152) is also quoted as a reference in all correspondence.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken-Ichiro Natsume", is positioned below the "Sincerely yours," text.

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