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**COMMUNIQUÉ ON CLASSIFICATION OF
GOODS AND SERVICES REGARDING APPLICATIONS FOR TRADEMARK REGISTRATION
(TPE: 2016/2)**

Purpose and scope

ARTICLE 1 – (1) The purpose of this Communiqué is, in accordance with the Nice Classification, which is regulated in accordance with the provisions of the Nice Agreement on the International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purpose of Registration of Trademarks, which is a party with the Council of Ministers Decision dated 12/7/1995 and numbered 95/7094. (Institute) to create the Goods and Services Classification List to be taken as a basis for trademark registration applications and to regulate the principles regarding this list.

Rest

ARTICLE 2 – (1) This Communiqué is on the Nice Agreement on the International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purpose of Registration of Trademarks, which is a party with the Council of Ministers Decision dated 12/7/1995 and numbered 95/7094, and on the Protection of Trademarks dated 24/6/1995 and numbered 556. It has been prepared on the basis of the Decree-Law.

Scope and application of the goods and services classification list

ARTICLE 3 – (1) In the Goods and Services Classification List in Annex-1, goods are collected in 34 classes and services in 11 classes.

(2) Some groups in this list are organized under general headings. It is accepted that the general headings of these groups cover all of the goods or services included in the definition and in the relevant Nice class.

(3) This list does not cover all goods and services. In case the goods or services that are not covered by any general title and are not specified in the list are included in the trademark registration application; the goods or services in question may be evaluated in the same scope as the goods or services included in the list, in the same Nice class and having similar qualities, functions or purposes.

(4) In the determination of the same type of goods or services specified in subparagraph (b) of the first paragraph of Article 7 of the Decree Law No. 556 on the Protection of Trademarks, the groups included in the annex to this Communiqué are taken as basis. However, during the examination of trademark registration applications or objections, the Institute may evaluate these groups more narrowly or in a broader way to include different groups of goods or services in the determination of the same type of goods or services.

(5) In the trademark registration applications made to the Institute, the services included in the 35th class of the list in Annex-1 and “bringing together the goods* so that the customers can see the goods conveniently and buy them (the specified services are retail, wholesale stores, electronic media, catalog and other similar methods). In case of services expressed as “)”, goods or groups of goods are written in the field indicated with “*”. Services or service groups are not written in this field.

(6) In cases where the list of goods and services in the annex of this Communiqué and the repealed communiqué are written simultaneously and together as a list of goods and services in the trademark registration applications made to the Institute, the list of goods and services is prepared on the basis of the list in the annex of this Communiqué.

Notice of repeal

ARTICLE 4 – (1) The Goods and Services of Trademark Registration Applications published in the Official Gazette dated 8/12/2014 and numbered 29199

The Communiqué on Classification (TPI: 2014/2) has been repealed.

Force

ARTICLE 5 – (1) This Communiqué enters into force on 1/1/2017.

Executive

ARTICLE 6 – (1) The provisions of this Communiqué are executed by the President of the Turkish Patent Institute.