STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2007 No. 277

## DESIGNS

The Designs (Convention Countries) Order 2007

Made--7th February 2007Coming into force-6th April 2007

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 7th day of February 2007 Present, The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Counsel, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by sections 13(1) and 37(5) of the Registered Designs Act 1949(1) makes the following Order:

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Designs (Convention Countries) Order 2007 and shall come into force on 6th April 2007.

(2) The Designs (Convention Countries) Order 2006 is revoked(2).

**2.** The countries specified in the Schedule are declared to be convention countries for the purposes of all the provisions of the Registered Designs Act 1949.

*Christine Cook* Deputy Clerk of the Privy Council

<sup>(2)</sup> SI 2006/317

#### SCHEDULE

Article 2

### CONVENTION COUNTRIES

Albania Algeria Andorra Angola Antigua and Barbuda Argentina Armenia Australia Austria Azerbaijan Bahamas Bahrain Bangladesh Barbados Belarus Belgium Belize Benin Bhutan Bolivia Bosnia and Herzegovina Botswana Brazil Brunei Darussalam Bulgaria Burkina Faso Burundi Cambodia Cameroon Canada Central African Republic Chad Chile China Columbia Comoros Congo

Congo, Democratic Republic of the Costa Rica Cote d'Ivoire Croatia Cuba Cyprus Czech Republic Denmark Djibouti Dominica Dominican Republic Ecuador Egypt El Salvador Equatorial Guinea Estonia Faeroe Islands Fiji Finland France (including overseas Departments and Territories) Gabon Gambia Georgia Germany Ghana Greece Grenada Guatemala Guinea Guinea-Bissau Guyana Haiti Holy See Honduras Hong Kong Hungary Iceland India Indonesia Iran, Islamic Republic of

Iraq Ireland Israel Italy Jamaica Japan Jordan Kazakhstan Kenya Korea, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Republic of Kuwait Kyrgyzstan Lao People's Democratic Republic Latvia Lebanon Lesotho Liberia Libyan Arab Jamahiriya Liechtenstein Lithuania Luxembourg Macao Macedonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Madagascar Malawi Malaysia Maldives Mali Malta Mauritania Mauritius Mexico Moldova, Republic of Monaco Mongolia Montenegro Morocco Mozambique Myanmar

Namibia Nepal Netherlands Netherlands Antilles and Aruba New Zealand (including the Cook Islands, Niue and Tokelau) Nicaragua Niger Nigeria Norway Oman Pakistan Panama Papua New Guinea Paraguay Peru Philippines Poland Portugal Qatar Romania **Russian Federation** Rwanda Saint Kitts and Nevis Saint Lucia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines San Marino Sao Tome and Principe Saudi Arabia Senegal Serbia Seychelles Sierra Leone Singapore Slovakia Slovenia Solomon Islands South Africa Spain Sri Lanka Sudan

Suriname
Swaziland
Sweden
Switzerland
Syrian Arab Republic
Taiwan
Tajikistan
Tanzania, United Republic of
Thailand
Togo
Tonga
Trinidad and Tobago
Tunisia
Turkey
Turkmenistan
Uganda
Ukraine
United Arab Emirates
United States of America (including Puerto Rico and all territories and possessions)
Uruguay
Uzbekistan
Venezuela
Viet Nam
Yemen
Zambia
Zimbabwe

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order, pursuant to section 13(1) of the Registered Designs Act 1949 (c.88), declares the countries specified in the Schedule to be convention countries for the purposes of all the provisions of the Registered Designs Act 1949. In this Order the term "country" includes colonies, protectorates and territories by reason of section 13(3) of that Act.

The majority of the countries specified in the Order have acceded to the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property ("the Paris Convention") (as revised at Stockholm in 1967) (Cmnd 4431) or the Agreement establishing the World Trade Organisation (including the Agreement

on Trade Related aspects of Intellectual Property Rights) (Cm 3044-6, 3080, 3263-4, 3268-9, 3271, 3275-7 and 3282).

This Order revokes the Designs (Convention Countries) Order 2006 (SI 2006/317) (the 2006 Order). This Order provides a consolidated list of countries that are convention countries for the purposes of all the provisions of the Registered Designs Act 1949 and the only substantive change from the 2006 Order is the addition of Yemen to the Schedule. Following Montenegro's Declaration of Independence from Serbia adopted by the National Assembly of Montenegro on 3rd June 2006, Serbia and Montenegro are dealt with separately in this Order.