STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2006 No. 317

DESIGNS

The Designs (Convention Countries) Order 2006

Made - - - - 14th February 2006 Coming into force - - 6th April 2006

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 14th day of February 2006 Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, 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 2006 and shall come into force on 6th April 2006.
 - (2) The Designs (Convention Countries) Order 2004(2) is revoked.
- **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.

A.K. Galloway Clerk of the Privy Council

^{(1) 1949} c. 88.

⁽²⁾ SI 2004/3336.

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

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Columbia

Comoros

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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
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New Zealand (including the Cook Islands, Niue and Tokelau)
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Norway
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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 and Montenegro
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
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).

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This Order revokes the Designs (Convention Countries) Order 2004 (SI 2004/3336) (the 2004 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 2004 Order is the addition of the Comoros to the Schedule.