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AP – AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)

A PATENT

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- First, only level of publication
- Published in multiple copies
- Published from July 3, 1985
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AR – ARGENTINA

A1 PATENTE DE INVENCION (Patent for an invention)

- Published in accordance with the Patent Act No. 111 of 1864
- First level of publication
- Not published in multiple copies but open to public inspection, copies are available on request

A7 PATENTE DE ADICIÓN, CERTIFICADO DE ADICIÓN (Patent of addition and certificate of addition)

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AT – AUSTRIA

A1 PATENTANMELDUNG (Patent application)

- Published in accordance with the Patent Act, Art. 101 as in force since July 1, 2005
- Patent application including a search report
- First level of publication
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A3	<p><i>RECHERCHENBERICHT</i> (Search report)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Published in accordance with the Patent Act, Art. 101 as in force since July 1, 2005 – Search report published after publication of the application without search report (A2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – First level of publication – Document laid open for public inspection in the sense of paragraph 6(ii) of ST.16 – First used on January 15, 2006 (AT 500 344 A3) – Main numbering series common to other kinds of documents is used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Used in machine-readable records, online database, and on single paper copies
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A5	<p><i>ERGÄNZENDER RECHERCHENBERICHT</i> (Supplementary search report)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Published in accordance with the Law on the Introduction of EPC and PCT (PatV-EG), Art. 16 – Supplementary search report for PCT-applications after entry into the national phase 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – First level of publication – Document laid open for public inspection in the sense of paragraph 6(ii) of ST.16 – First used on April 15, 2006 (AT 500 860 A5) – Main numbering series common to other kinds of documents is used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Used in machine-readable records, online database, and on single paper copies

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A9	<p><i>BERICHTIGTE PATENTANMELDUNG</i> (Corrected patent application)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Published in accordance with the Patent Act, Art. 101 as in force since July 1, 2005 - Republication of the whole application, kind of correction is stated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First level of publication - Document laid open for public inspection in the sense of paragraph 6 (ii) of ST.16 - First used on January 15, 2007 (AT 501 432 A9) - Main numbering series common to other kinds of documents is used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Used in machine-readable records, online database, and on single paper copies
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B2	<p><i>PATENTSCHRIFT</i> (Patent specification)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Published in accordance with the Patent Act, Arts. 80 and 107 as in force since July 1, 2005 – Republication of a patent specification after partial revocation due to opposition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Third level of publication – Document laid open for public inspection in the sense of paragraph 6(ii) of ST.16 – Main numbering series common to other kinds of documents is used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Used in machine-readable records, online database, and on multiple paper copies
B8	<p><i>PATENTSCHRIFT, BERICHTIGTE TITELSEITE</i> (Corrected title page of a patent specification)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Published in accordance with the Patent Act, Art. 80 – Republication of title page only, kind of correction is stated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Second level of publication – Document laid open for public inspection in the sense of paragraph 6(ii) of ST.16 – First used on May 25, 2000 (AT 406 271 B8) – Main numbering series common to other kinds of documents is used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Used in machine-readable records, online database, and on multiple paper copies – Sample of first page
B9	<p><i>BERICHTIGTE PATENTSCHRIFT</i> (Corrected patent specification)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Published in accordance with the Patent Act, Art. 80 – Republication of the whole specification, kind of correction is stated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Second level of publication – Document laid open for public inspection in the sense of paragraph 6(ii) of ST.16 – First used on June 26, 2000 (AT 406 210 B9) – Main numbering series common to other kinds of documents is used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Used in machine-readable records, online database, and on multiple paper copies – Sample of first page

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