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The following amendments and addenda to be made to the following legal acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan:


1) Article 2 to be set down as follows:
"Article 2. Main Terms Used in this Law
This Law uses the following terms:

1) author is a person who created a work as a result of intellectual labor;
2) copyright is property and personal non-property rights of the author;
3) adaptation of a software or a database means making changes or adjusting a software or database only for the purpose so as the software or database function on specific user’s hardware or under specific user’s operation system or software;
4) audio-visual work is a work consisting of a fixed sequence of frames or pictures (with or without a sound track), designated for visual or aural impression (if it has a sound track) with help of correspondent technical equipment. Audio-visual works include cinematographic films and all works represented by media similar to cinematographic (TV and video films, film-strips and slides, etc) regardless of the method of the primary or subsequent fixation;
5) database is a collection of data (articles, calculations, facts, etc), which is the result of intellectual labor due to choice and/or sorting of the materials, is systemized in such a way that the data could be found and processed with help of a computer. The notion of a database does not refer to the software for electronic access to the materials of the database;
6) reproduction is making one or more permanent of temporary copies of works or objects of related rights by ant means and in any form, wholly or in part, directly or indirectly. The following are types of reproduction: making a sound track or a video clip, one or more 3D copies of two-dimensional works, as well as any constant or temporary storage of works or objects of related rights in any material form;
7) *decompiling* of software is a technical method, including conversion of the product’s code into the source code with purpose to study the structure and coding of the software;

8) *making available to the public* means transmission of the objects of copyright and/or related rights, by wire or wireless means, in such a way that members of the public may access these works from a place and at a time individually chosen by them (in interactive mode);

9) *fixation* means the embodiment of sounds or images in form and by any means allowing multiple perception, reproduction or communication through a device;

10) *rights management information* means any information which identifies the work, the author of the work, the performer, the performance, producer of a phonogram, the owner of any rights in the work. This information also refers to any numbers or codes that represent such information, when any of these items of information is attached to a copy of a work or appears in connection with the communication of a work, fixation, or phonogram to the public.

11) *exclusive right* is the property right of the author or the any right holder for use of a work, fixation, phonogram, or broadcast by air, cable or any other medium for the period set herein;

12) *performance* is representation of a work, phonogram, play, or drama by acting, singing, dancing in live or with help of any technical aids (TV or radio broadcasting, cable TV, etc). Showing the frames of an audio-visual work in their sequence with or without the sound track;

13) *performers* are actors, singers, musicians, dancers, and other persons as well as directors who act, sing, deliver, declaim, play in, interpret, or otherwise perform literary or artistic works or expressions of folklore;

14) *pirated copy* of an object of copyright or related rights is a copy of a work, fixation, phonogram, broadcast by air or cable, production, distribution or any other use of which entails violation of the copyright and related rights hereunder or of regulations of international agreements ratified by the republic of Kazakhstan. Pirated copies are also such copyright and related rights objects that are produced with help of any illegally applied device allowing to bypass any technical methods of protection and whose rights management information was removed or altered without the authority of the rights owner.

15) *modification* of a software or database is any change of the software or database, which is not adaptation;

16) *non-exclusive right* is such a right when besides the authorship right holder and related rights holders another person can use the works with a correspondent permission of the author with exception for cases provided herein;

17) *communication to the public* means making a work available to the public for the first time with authorization of the author by publishing, public show, public performance, or making available to the public by other means;
18) **publication** of a fixed performance or a phonogram means the offering of copies of the fixed performance or the phonogram to the public, with the consent of the author or any other right holder of the copyright or related rights, and provided that copies are offered to the public in reasonable quantity, by selling, renting or transferring the right of possession of a copy of a fixed performance or a phonogram in any other way;

19) **translation** of a work means rendering the work in a language different from the original. The translation must be true and shall not mutilate neither the content nor style of the original work;

20) **broadcasting** means the transmission by TV and radio channels (excluding cable TV) for public reception of works, fixed performances, phonograms, and programs of broadcasting or cable TV organizations. Such transmission by satellite is also "broadcasting" regardless of whether the public actually receives the transmission. Transmission of encrypted signals is "broadcasting" where the means for decrypting are provided to the public by the broadcasting organization or with its consent;

21) **program of a broadcasting or cable TV organization** is a program created by the broadcasting or cable TV organization itself as well as by another organization on its order and on the account of its funds;

22) **adaptation of a work** means changing the original work from one genre to another. Among conversion types are dramatization, direction, and arranging of the original work;

23) **retransmission** means transmission of works and related rights objects that had been transmitted to the public by air or cable earlier;

24) **right holder** is an author (direct heir or heir-at-law) with the author rights, performer (and his/her heirs), producer of a phonogram, a broadcasting or a cable TV organization as well as other natural persons and legal entities who obtained the right for use of the work and/or related rights object under a contract or on other ground stipulated herein;

25) **computer program** (software) is a set of instructions expressed in words, schemes or in any other form, the fixation of which on a material medium readable by computers allows execution of a certain task or result by the computer; it includes such preparatory materials, for which a computer program (software) is their result at a later phase;

26) **applied-decorative arts work** is a two- or three-dimensional work of art transferred on commodities, including art craft, or a manufactured work;

27) **folklore work** is a work that includes characteristic elements of the traditional art heredity (folks fairy tales, poetry, songs, instrumental music, folks dances and plays, artistic forms of folks customs, etc);

28) **producer of an audio-visual work** means the person, or the legal entity, who or which takes the initiative and has the responsibility for creation of such a work. Unless otherwise is proved, the person whose name is on the work is recognized to be the producer of the audio-visual work;
29) producer of a phonogram means the person, or the legal entity, who or which takes the initiative and has the responsibility for the first fixation of the sounds of a performance or other sounds. If otherwise is not proved, the person whose name is on the phonogram and (or) on its container is recognized to be the producer of the phonogram;

30) derivative work is a work, which is a result of a creative conversion of another work;

31) public performance means performance of a work by declamation, play, dance, or any other manner, including through a device (concerning audio-visual performance: demonstration of a sequence of frames with the sound) in places where public other than family members is or might be;

32) public show means showing the original or a copy of the work immediately or in form of a slide, cinematographic or television frame, with help of any other technical device or by other means (concerning audio-visual performance: demonstration of separate frames without their sequence) in places where public other than family members is or might be;

33) stage director of a play is a person who directed the production of a theatre, puppet, entertainment, or other show (play);

34) reproduction (reprographic reproducing) means a facsimile reproduction of one or more copies of the original or the copies of written or other graphic works of any size and form with help of photocopying or any other technical means other than edition. Reprographic reproducing exclude storage or reproduction of such copies in electronic (including digital), optical or other machine-recognizable form;

35) rental means giving a copy of a work or a phonogram for a temporary use with the purpose of direct or indirect commercial profit;

36) related rights are property rights of a performer, producer of a phonogram, broadcasting or cabling organization, and personal non-property rights of the performer;

37) cable transmission to the public means transmission of a work, phonogram, performance, TV or cable program for the public by cable, wire, optical fiber, or similar means;

38) compilation is a compilation (encyclopedia, anthology, database) of data or other material, which by reason of the selection or arrangement of their contents constitute intellectual creations;

39) technical aid means any equipment, product or component, which is an integral part of a method, equipment or product designated for prevention of or protection against violation of any copyrights and related rights protected under this Law;

40) authorized body means a governmental body to regulate the copyright and related rights relations and which shall be defined by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
41) phonogram means a fixation of sound performances or of other sounds or their representations in any form, except for a fixation of sounds incorporated in an audio-visual work;

42) copy of a work means a copy of a work in any material form;

43) copy of a phonogram means a copy of a phonogram on any medium, made directly or indirectly from the phonogram and including all sounds or part of sounds fixed in the phonogram.

2) in Article 5:

in paragraph 1:
add words “in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan” after “communicated to the public” in subparagraph (1);
add words “beyond of the Republic of Kazakhstan” after “communicated to the public” in subparagraph (2);
set subparagraph (3) in the following version:
“3) works communicated to the public beyond the bounds of the Republic of Kazakhstan or the works that have not been communicated to the public, but exist outside of the Republic of Kazakhstan in a material form, and is recognized as belonging to authors, foreigners, and persons without a citizenship in accordance with international agreements, ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, taking into account subparagraphs (1) and (2) of paragraph 1 of this article”;
add paragraph 4 as follows:
“4. A work shall be protected in accordance with international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan if it has not become a public property in the country of origin due to expiration of the copyright period in that country as defined by the rules of the correspondent international treaty ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, and if it has not become a public property in the Republic of Kazakhstan due to expiration of the copyright period.”;

3) set the second part of Article 6 paragraph 5 in the following version:
“Cession of the property right or the ownership right for any material object do not entail transfer of the author right for the work expressed in such object except for cases stipulated by this Law.”;

4) remove words “(cinematographic, television, and video films, film-strips, and other cinematographic and television works)” in article 7 paragraph 1 subparagraph (6);

5) in article 9:
set paragraph 1 in the following version:
“1. The author right for a work of science, literature, and art accrues due to the fact of its creation. An author needs no registration of the work, nor any other special arrangement of the work or observing any formalities so as to enjoy the copyright.

“To inform about his or her exclusive property rights, the author and/or right holder can use the copyright protection symbol, which is placed on every copy of the work and consists of three elements:

“1) Latin letter “C” in circle;
“2) name of the exclusive author rights holder;
“3) the year of the first publication of the work.

“To certify his or her personal non-property rights for a work that has not been communicated to the public, the author, as well as the right holder for confirmation of his or her exclusive property rights for the work, can register them in official registers at any time during the copyright protection period or the period of validity of correspondent international treaties. The authorized body shall register it under the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.”;

add paragraph 1-1 as follows:

“1-1. Works used (designated) for distinction of goods (services) of persons or legal entities from congeneric goods (services) of other persons or legal entities cannot be registered as copyright objects.”.

6) add paragraph 3 in article 10 as follows:

“3. Every of the co-authors have the right to take measures under this Law and other regulations to protect his or her rights on his or her own behalf, including without the permission of the other co-authors, unless otherwise agreed between them.”;

7) set the heading of article 11 in the following version:

“Article 11. Author right for compound works”;

8) set the heading of article 12 in the following version:

“Article 12. Author right for derivative works”;

9) replace words “izgotovitelyu” and “Izgotovitel” with “proizvoditelyu” and “Proizvoditel”;

10) add subparagraph (4) in paragraph 1 of article 15:

“4) the right to make the work available to an unlimited number of people (the right to make available). ”;
11) in article 16:
replace words “owner of the copyright” with “right holder” in paragraph 1;
in paragraph 2:
set subparagraph (2) as follows:
“2) distribute the original or copies of the original by any means: sell, exchange, rent, or make other operations (the right for distribution);”;
add subparagraph (11) as follows:
“11) make other operations not infringing on the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.”;
set paragraph 5 in the following version:
“5. The author or any right holder shall enjoy the right for remuneration for every kind of use of the work, the sum and calculation order being defined in the author agreement as well as in agreements made by organizations managing the property copyrights on collective term.”;
remove words “an unjustified”; add words “and right holder” in paragraph 6;

12) add article 16-1 as follows:
“Article 16-1. Minimal rates of remuneration for the author”
The Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan has the right set minimal rates of author’s remuneration in cases when individual practical exercise of (exclusive) property rights is impossible due to the nature of the work or the specifics of its use (public performance, including radio and television broadcast, reproduction of a mechanical, magnetic recording or other fixation, reproducing, etc).”;

13) add paragraph 3 in article 17 as follows:
“3. Transfer of the property right for an artwork from the author to another person (for value or for free) means the first alienation of the work.”;

14) in article 18:
add words “or the right holder” after the word “the author” in the heading;
add words “or the right holder” after the word “the author” in paragraph 1;

15) in article 19:
add words “or the right holder” after the word “the author” in the heading;
add words “or the right holder” after the word “the author” in the first paragraph;
add words “or cinematography” after the word “photography” in subparagraph (5);

16) add words “and other right holder” after words “consent of the author” in the first paragraph of article 20;

17) set article 21 as follows:
“Article 21. Free use of works permanently placed in places open for free access
Reproduction and transmission to the public by air or cable of works of architecture, photography, and arts that are permanently placed in a place open for free access is permitted without the authority of the author or the right holder and free from author’s fee, except for the cases when the image of the work is the main object of such a reproduction and transmission to the public by air or cable, or when the image of the work is used for commercial purposes.”;

18) replace words “copyright holder” with words “right holder” in article 22;

19) replace words “copyright holder” with words “right holder” in article 23;

20) in article 24 paragraph 1:
replace words “concerning functioning” with “necessary for functioning” in subparagraph (1);
add words “or to order to produce” after the word “to produce” in subparagraph (2);

21) in article 25:
in the first paragraph:
replace words “other copyright holder” with “the right holder”;
replace word “communication” with “transmission”;
add words “or the right holder” after the word “the author” in subparagraph (2);

22) set article 26 paragraph 2 as follows:
“2. Remuneration for the reproduction as defined in paragraph 1 herein shall be paid by persons producing or importing equipment and material media used for such reproduction.
The list of such equipment and material media shall be approved by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.”;
23) add paragraph 9 in article 28 as follows:

“9. When granting protection of a work in accordance with international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, the period of the validity of the copyright cannot exceed the period defined in the country of origin of the work subject to paragraph 4 of article 5 of this Law.

The periods stipulated herein shall be applied in all cases when the legal fact, which is used for the beginning of the period, took place no earlier than fifty years before this Law took effect.”;

24) remove article 29 paragraph 2;

25) set article 31 paragraph 1 as follows:

“1. The property rights of the author defined in article 16 herein can be ceded entirely or in part as well as they can be transferred for use by a publishing agreement on cession of exclusive rights or by a publisher’s agreement on transfer of non-exclusive rights.

“Any cession of property rights shall be arranged with an agreement in writing, signed by the author and the cessionary.”;

26) in article 32:
replace words “five years” with “one year”, words “six months” with “three months” in paragraph 2;
add “except for cases stipulated by articles 14 and 33 of this Law” after the word “in the future”;
set paragraph 12 as follows:

“12. It is possible to apply other forms of contracts and the order of their conclusion as set by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan when selling copies of works, expressed in electronic form, including computer programs (software) and databases, as well as when providing mass users the right of access to them.”;

27) in article 36:
replace words “broadcast by wire or wireless means” with “to broadcasting or cable organizations”; 
set paragraph 4 as follows:

“4. The related rights of foreign persons or legal entities are recognized in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan in accordance with international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan if a correspondent performance, phonogram, program of a broadcasting or cable organization has not become public domain in
the country of its origin as defined by the rules of the correspondent international treaty ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan, due to expiration of the validity period set in that country for related rights, and if has not become public domain in the republic of Kazakhstan due to expiration of the related rights validity period.”;

28) in article 37:
set paragraph 1 subparagraph (2) as follows:
“2) the right for protection of the performance from any mutilation or any other encroach capable of harming the honor and dignity of the performer (the right for protection of reputation);”;
add paragraph 1-1 as follows:
“1-1. The performer shall enjoy personal non-property rights regardless of his property rights and reserve them in case of cession of exclusive property rights for the use of the performance.”;
set paragraph 2 as follows:
“2. Exclusive rights of the performer for the use of the performance means the right to permit or forbid the following actions:
“1) fixate a performance that has not been fixated before;
“2) reproduce directly or indirectly a fixation of a performance in any form;
“3) broadcast, transmit to the public by cable or make available to the public a performance without using a fixation of the performance;
“4 broadcast, transmit to the public by cable or make available to the public a fixation of performance except for the cases stipulated in article 39 paragraph 1 of this Law;
“5) rent a phonogram containing a fixation of a performance by the performer published for commercial purpose. When concluding an agreement on fixation of the performance in the phonogram, this right transfers to the producer of the phonogram. In doing this, the performer reserves the right for the fee for renting of copies of such phonogram.”;

29) in article 38:
set paragraph 2 as follows:
“2. Exclusive rights for the use of a phonogram means the right to permit or forbid the following actions:
“1) reproduce a phonogram directly or indirectly and in any form;
“2) distribute the original and copies of a phonogram, including import, by means of a sale or any other form of transferring the property right;
“3) give phonogram for rental (lease, even after its distribution by the producer of the phonogram or with his permission;
“4) change or alter the phonogram by any means;
“5) make the phonogram available to the public.”;
add “(lease)” after “give for rental” in paragraph 3;

30) in article 40:
in paragraph 2:
set the first paragraph as follows:
“2. Exclusive rights for the use of a program means the right to permit or forbid the following actions.”;
set subparagraph (1) as follows:
“1) broadcast;”;
add subparagraph (6) as follows:
“6) make the program available to the public.”;
add words “and cable” after “broadcasting” in paragraph 3 subparagraph (1);

31) add article 41-1 as follows:
1. Exclusive rights specified in articles 37, 38, and 40 herein may be transferred in part or in full to be used under a license contract on transfer of exclusive or non-exclusive rights. The provisions of article 32 herein shall apply to such a contract.
2. A licensing contract must be officially registered in the authorized body in accordance with the procedure established by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and an official certificate shall be issued to certify such a registration.”;

32) in article 41:
in paragraph 1:
replace words “broadcasting, transmission by cable” with “programs of broadcasting to cable organizations” in the first paragraph;
replace word “fonogramm” with “fonogrammy”;replace words “broadcasting or transmitting by cable” with “broadcasting to cable organizations” in subparagraph (1);
set subparagraph (3) as follows:
“3) for quotation in form of small passages from a performance, phonogram, program of broadcasting or cable organization, provided that such a quotation is used for informative purpose. In doing this, a broadcasting or cable organization only can use copies of a phonogram, published for commercial purposes, for broadcasting,
transmission to the public by cable, or making them available to the public under the provisions of article 39 herein;”;

replace words “literature, science” with “science, literature” in subparagraph (4);

in paragraph 2:
replace words “broadcast or transmit by cable” with “broadcasting or cable organization”;
add words “exclusively” after words “as well as reproduction of a phonogram”;
in paragraph 3:
add words “or cable organization” after “broadcasting organization” in the first paragraph;

in subparagraph (2):
remove word “six months”;
replace words “literature, science” with “science, literature”;
replace words “a single copy, which can be stored in the official archive on the basis of” with words “fixation, which can be stored in official archives on the basis of”;

in paragraph 4:
replace words “broadcast or transmit by cable” with “broadcasting or cable organization”;
replace words “literature, science” with “science, literature”;

33) in article 42:
add words “capable of infringing the honor and virtue of the performer” after “infringement” in paragraph 1;
replace words “the first transmission” with “the first communication to the public” in paragraph 4;
replace words “broadcast or transmit by cable” with “broadcasting or cable organization” in paragraph 8;
add paragraph 9 as follows:

“9. Expiration of the validity period of the related rights for a performance, staging, phonogram, program of a broadcasting or cable organization means their transferring to the public domain.

“Provisions of article 29 of this Law with taking into account articles 34-42 herein shall be applied to the objects of related rights that became a public domain.”;

34) remove paragraph 7 of article 43;
35) set paragraphs 2 and 3 of article 44 as follows:

“2. Having the authority obtained under paragraph 3 of article 43 herein, the organization collectively managing the property rights shall make license contracts with users of works and related rights objects. Such license contracts shall permit the use of all works and related rights objects as stipulated in the contracts and including the ones which were not transferred to the managing organization in accordance with paragraph 3 of article 43 herein. The conditions of such license contracts shall be equal for all users of one category. The managing organizations cannot refuse making a license contract without a valid reason.

3. Users who made a license contract must officially register it and obtain the official certificate in the authorized body.”;

36) add article 48-1 as follows:

“Article 48-1. Control over activity of natural persons and legal entities using copyright and related rights objects

1. The authorized body shall control the activity of natural persons and legal entities using copyright and related rights objects.

2. Upon request of the authorized body the persons specified in paragraph 1 of this article must submit information on the used works or other objects of related rights, proceeds gained from the use of copyright and related rights objects, as well as the data and documents concerning the payment of the author’s fee.”.


1) in article 2:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body” in subparagraph (2);
remove word “Kazpatent” in subparagraph (3);
in subparagraph (10):
add words “of the republic of Kazakhstan” after “citizens”;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body and expert organization;”;

2) in article 3:
remove paragraph 2;
in article 5:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in the first part;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in the second part;
3) add articles 3-1 and 3-2 as follows:

“Article 3-1. The authorized body on protection of selection achievements

1. The authorized body on protection of selection achievements (hereinafter referred to as the authorized body) is a governmental body appointed by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan to regulate selection achievements area.

2. The power of the authorized body includes:

1) participation in implementation of the state policy on legal protection of selection achievements;

2) issuing patents for selection achievements;

3) control over activity of natural and legal persons using selection achievements;

4) making reports and considering cases on administrative infringements, imposing administrative penalties;

5) other functions stipulated herein.

Article 3-2. Expert organization

1. The expert organization is the organization subordinate to the authorized body and functioning as a state monopoly (providing services on protection of selection achievements).

2. The functions of the expert organization include:

1) filing applications for selection achievements;

2) making preliminary examination of selection achievements;

3) keeping the State Register of selection achievements;

4) publishing information on selection achievements;

5) other functions assigned to it by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4) in article 4:

in paragraph 2:
remove words “for patent” in the first part;
remove the second sentence in the second part;

5) in article 5:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 1;
replace words “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in paragraphs 2 and 5;
6) in article 6:
replace words “patent issuing” with “selection achievement” in paragraph 2;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in paragraph 3;

7) set paragraph 1 of article 7 as follows:
“1. The priority of sort and breed shall be defined by the date of application
submission to the expert organization.”

8) in article 8:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 1;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in paragraphs 3 and 5;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the Expert Organization” in paragraph 6;

9) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 10;

10) set paragraph 2 of article 12 as follows:
“2. The authorized body gives an official certificate acknowledging author
rights to the author of a selection achievement registered in the State Register who is
not a patent holder.”

11) in subparagraph (3) of article 13:
replace words “issuing patent” with “selection achievement”; 
replace words “Kazpatent before the registration of the selection achievement
in the State Register of Selection Achievements” with “the authorized body before the
date of making a decision on issuing the selection achievement patent”;

12) in article 14:
in paragraph 3:
remove subparagraph (3);
add part two as follows:
“A selection achievement significantly inherited characteristics of another
(source) selection achievement is such a selection achievement that, being obviously
different from the source:
1) inherits the most significant characteristics of the source selection
achievement or such a selection achievement that inherits itself the significant
characteristics of the source selection achievement, preserving the main features
reflecting the genotype r combination if genotypes of the source selection achievement;

2) matches the genotype or a combination of genotypes of the source selection achievement, with exception for deviations caused by such methods as individual selection from the source sort or kind, selection of an induced or selfreproducing mutant, back-crossing, and gene engineering.”

remove paragraph 4;

13) add words “or in the order of legal succession” in article 16;

14) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 18 paragraph 4;

15) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 19;

16) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 21 paragraph 2;

17) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 22;

18) replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” and remove words “issuing patent” in article 22;

19) in article 26:

   replace words “Kazpatent issues a newsletter to publish information” with “the authorized body publishes information pertaining to the registration of selection achievements in the newsletter” in paragraph 1;

set paragraph 2 as follows:

   “2. Anybody has the right to learn the application materials after publication of the application information.”

20) set article 27 as follows:

   “Article 27. Patenting selection achievements abroad

   “The applicant has the right to submit the first application for protection of a selection achievement to an authorized body of another state, provided that such a state and the Republic of Kazakhstan made a bilateral or multilateral agreement on protection of selection achievements.”
“The applicant has the right to submit the application to authorized bodies of other states before obtaining a protection document from an authorized body of the state to which he submitted the first application.

“The applicant shall incur the costs connected with protection of the rights for selection achievements abroad.”


1) in article 1:
   remove word “Kazpatent” in subparagraph (1);
   in subparagraph (9):
   add words “of the Republic of Kazakhstan” after “citizens”;
   replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body and the expert organization”;

2) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 3 paragraph 1;

3) set article 4 as follows:
   “Article 4. The authorized governmental body on protection of inventions, utility models, and industrial designs

   1. The authorized governmental body on protection of inventions, utility models, and industrial designs (the authorized body) is a governmental body appointed by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan to regulate the protection of inventions, utility models, and industrial designs area.

   2. The power of the authorized body includes:

   1) participation in implementation of the state policy on legal protection of inventions, utility models and industrial designs;
   2) issuing patents for inventions, utility models and industrial designs;
   3) control over activity of natural and legal persons using industrial property;
   4) making reports and considering cases on administrative infringements, imposing administrative penalties;
   5) other functions stipulated herein.”

4) add article 4-1 as follows:
   “Article 4-1. Expert organization
1. The expert organization is the organization subordinate to the authorized body and functioning as a state monopoly (providing services on protection of inventions, utility models and industrial designs).

2. The functions of the expert organization include:
   1) filing applications for inventions, utility models and industrial designs;
   2) making preliminary examination of inventions, utility models and industrial designs;
   3) keeping the State Register of protected inventions, utility models and industrial designs;
   4) publishing information on inventions, utility models and industrial designs;
   5) other functions assigned to it by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.”

5) in article 5:
   remove word “Kazpatent” in paragraph 3;
   in paragraph 4:
   add words “and listed in the list of significant features of an industrial design” after “product (design)”;
   replace words “can be drawn” with “can be used”;

6) in article 10 paragraph 3:
   remove word “Kazpatent”;
   replace words “for application submission” with “for obtaining document of title”;

7) in article 11:
   add part two in paragraph 1 as follows:
   “The patent holder shall enjoy the exclusive right for the use of the protected industrial property during the document of title’ period of validity, beginning from the date of publication of the information about the issue of such a document of title in the newsletter.”
   replace word “them” with “patent holders” in part two of paragraph 3;
   in paragraph 4:
   replace word “invention” with “industrial property object”;
   replace words “the invention has not been used” with “the industrial property object has not been used”;
   replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in paragraph 6;
8) in article 13:
set part one of paragraph 1 as follows”

“1. The person who had been legally using in Kazakhstan an independently invented/made object identical to the industrial property in question or made all necessary preparations to use it before the priority date shall reserve the right for the use of such object for free without any extension of the scope of use (the right for prior use).”

remove word “Kazpatent” in paragraph 3;

9) in article 14:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in paragraphs 4 and 5;
add part five as follows:

“If a license agreement is made, the payment for the prolongation of the document in title shall be made beginning from the subsequent year.”

10) add words “since the date of the first publication of information about the issue of the document in title” in article 15 paragraph 2 subparagraphs (2), (3), and (5);

11) replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in article 16;

12) in article 17:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in paragraph 3;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body” in paragraph 4;

13) in article 18:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in paragraph 3;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body” in paragraph 4;

14) in article 19:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in paragraph 3;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body” in paragraph 4;

15) in article 20:
in paragraph 2:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization”;
add word “a certified” after “to enclose” in part two;
in paragraph 3:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization”;
add words “and as of the date of its submission the application, by which the said additional materials were submitted, is not recalled and is not considered to be cancelled.”;
in part one of paragraph 4:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization”;
add words “that is not recalled and is not considered as being cancelled as of the date of application submission” after “property”;
set paragraph 5 as follows:
“5. The priority for an industrial property object by a divisional application is set in accordance with the date of the submission to the expert organization of the original application by the same applicant; and with the right set an earlier priority by the original application, it is set in accordance with the date of its priority, if the divisional application had been submitted before the negative decision of the expert organization on the original application, the appealing opportunities for which had exhausted; and if the expert organization made a positive resolution on the said application, it is set as before the date when the authorized body resolves to issue a document of title.”;
in paragraph 7:
replace words “than the document of title is issued upon the application” with “the priority is given by the same application”; replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization”;

16) set paragraph 2 of article 21 as follows:
“2. Changes concerning the applicant’s order at a cession of the rights to obtain a document of title or resulting from the change in the name of the applicant, as well as technical mistakes corrections can be made in the documents of the application before the date when the authorized body makes a decision on the issuing of the document of title.”;

17) in article 22:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in paragraph 1;
replace word “arrangement” with “to the documents” in part one of paragraph 3;
replace word “independent” with “divisional” in part one of paragraph 4;
in article 5:
replace words “a decision is made on the issuing of a preliminary patent” with “the expert organization makes a positive resolution for preliminary patent”; remove part two;
in paragraph 6:
in part one:
replace words “a decision is made to refuse the preliminary patent” with “the expert organization makes a negative resolution”; replace words “a decision to refuse issuing preliminary patent is made” with “the expert organization makes a negative resolution”; in part two:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body”; replace words “a decision to refuse issuing preliminary patent” with “the negative resolution of the expert organization”;
set paragraph 7 as follows:
“7. The expert organization substantially examines the application by the request of the applicant or a third party, which shall be submitted after the publication of the preliminary patent information, but no later than in five years since the date of the application submission, provided that the preliminary patent validity period was extended in accordance with article 5 paragraph 3 of this Law. A substantial examination of the application includes data research pertaining to the submitted invention so as to check the conformity of the submitted invention to the requirement of unity of invention and to patentability conditions defined in article 6 of this Law. The substantial examination shall only be made upon submission of a document certifying the payment of the fee for the application substantial examination service as well as a document certifying the payment of the fee for prolongation of the preliminary patent, if the application is submitted by the applicant.”;
in paragraph 8:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in part one;
set part two as follows:
“Additional materials without changing the essence of the invention requested by the expert organization shall be submitted within three months since the dispatch of the request or a copy of the materials opposed to the application, provided that the said copies were requested by the applicant within two months since the date when the expert organization sent the request.”;
set paragraph 9 as follows:
“9. If upon the examination of the subject matter of the application (essential examination) the expert organization finds out that the application for the legal protection in specified scope meets the requirements of invention patentability defined in article 6 herein, the expert organization shall issue a positive resolution on issuing the patent for the invention formula coordinated with the applicant and with the priority specified.”
in paragraph 10:
replace words “the decision to refuse the patent issuing is made” with “expert organization makes the negative resolution”;
replace words “the decision to refuse the patent issuing is made” with “the expert organization makes the negative resolution” in part two;
in part three:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body”;
replace words “decision to refuse patent issuing” with “the negative resolution of the expert organization”;
in paragraph 11:
replace words “Kazpatent has no right to make” with “the expert organization shall not make” in the second sentence;
remove the last sentence;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraphs 12 and 13;
add paragraph 14 as follows:
“14. If upon consideration of the application it has been found out that the application contains state secret information, the application shall be made a secret in accordance with the procedure stipulated by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan on state secrets.”

18) in article 23:
set paragraph 1 as follows:
“1. The expert organization makes a formal examination of the application after two months since the date of submission. Upon a request of the applicant in writing the formal examination can made before the said period. In this case the applicant foregoes the right stipulated in article 21 paragraph 1 of this Law since the moment of the request submission.

The formal examination checks for the presence of all necessary documents and meeting the requirement set; determines the date of the application submission, the possibility of applying the submitted proposal to the objects protected as useful models, as well as it checks the unity of the useful model.

No check of conformity of the declared useful model for the patentability requirements defined in article 7 paragraph 1 of this Law is made. The patent is issued on the risk and responsibility of the applicant.”;
in paragraph 2:
replace words “a decision on the patent issuing is made” with “the expert organization makes the positive resolution on the patent” in part two;
remove part three;
in paragraph 3:
in part one:
replace words “a decision to refuse the patent issuing is made” with “the expert organization makes the negative resolution on the patent”; replace words “decision to refuse the patent issuing” with “the negative resolution of the expert organization”;
set sentence one of part two as follows:
“The applicant has the right to appeal the negative resolution of the expert organization in the authorized body within three months since the date of sending the resolution to the applicant.”

19) replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in article 24 paragraph 1;

20) in article 25:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in paragraph 1;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body” in paragraph 2;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body” in paragraphs 3 and 4;

21) in article 26:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in paragraph 1 and 2;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body” in paragraphs 4;
add words “and with the report on the data research by the expert organization” in paragraph 5;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” and add words “as well as information about any changes in the entries in correspondent State Registers” in paragraph 6;

22) in article 28:
in paragraph 1:
replace words “make the decision” with “provide the resolution of the expert organization”; remove part two;
replace words “making decision” with “provision of the expert organization resolution” in paragraph 2;

23) replace word “Kazpatent” with “authorized body” in paragraph 2 of article 29;
24) in article 30:
set subparagraph (1) of paragraph 2 as follows:

“1) upon the application submitted by the patent holder to the authorized body, since the date when the information on expiration of the document of title was published in the bulletin. If a document of title is issued for a group of industrial property objects, and the patent holder only has applied for a part of that industrial property group, the validity of the document of title shall expire only concerning the industrial property objects defined in the application;”

replace word “Kazpatent” with “expert organization” in paragraph 3;

25) in article 31:
in paragraph 1:
remove words “due to reasonable excuses and” from part 1;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in part 2;
add word “of such a use” after “scope” in part one of paragraph 2;

26) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 32 paragraph 1;

27) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in article 33 paragraph 2;

28) in article 35:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in the heading;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in the text, remove words “issuing documents of title”;

29) set article 36 as follows:

“Article 36. Patent agents

1. A patent agent can be a resident citizen of the Republic of Kazakhstan, whose qualification meets the requirements. The qualification requirements to patent agents, the order of their attestation and registration shall be defined by the authorized body.

2. The applicant, patent holder himself or a patent agent registered in the authorized body can deal with the authorized body and the expert organization.
3. Persons living abroad or legal entities shall exercise the rights of the applicant, patent holder as well as the right of a person interested in the authorized body and the expert organization only through patent agents.

Persons who are residents of the Republic of Kazakhstan but temporary stay abroad can exercise the rights of the applicant, patent holder, as well as the right of a person interested in the authorized body and the expert organization, without patent agents if they use the address for correspondence in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. The information disclosed by the principle to the patent agent is confidential provided that it meets the requirements to confidential information and other legally protected secrets stipulated by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Patent agent cannot accept the assignment if he had represented or consulted persons whose interests contradict to the interests of the person applying with the request to take the case; if he had participated in its processing as well as if a relative of the patent agent takes part in the process.

5. The authority of the patent agent shall be confirmed by a letter of attorney made by the applicant or patent holder.”

30) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in article 37.


1) in article 1:
   remove word “Kazpatent” in subparagraph (1);
   add word “transfer of the right for a trademark” after “business documentation” in subparagraph (6);
   replace word “this” with “denomination used as a trademark or”; put words “recognized as public” in plural form (in Russian) in subparagraph (10);
   add words “of the Republic of Kazakhstan” after “citizens”; replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body and the expert organization” in subparagraph (11);
   remove word “this” from subparagraph (12);

2) set article 3 as follows:
   “Article 3. The authorized governmental body on protection of trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods

   1. The authorized governmental body on protection of trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods (the authorized body) is a governmental
body appointed by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan to regulate the protection of trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods area.

2. The power of the authorized body includes:

1) participation in implementation of the state policy on legal protection of trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods;
2) issuing documents of title for trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods;
3) control over activity of natural and legal persons using trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods;
4) making reports and considering cases on administrative infringements, imposing administrative penalties;
5) other functions stipulated herein.”

3) add article 3-1 as follows:

“Article 3-1. Expert organization

1. The expert organization is the organization subordinate to the authorized body and functioning as a state monopoly (providing services on protection of trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods).

2. The functions of the expert organization include:

1) filing applications for trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods;
2) making examination of trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods;
3) keeping the State Registers of protected trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods;
4) publishing information on trade marks, service marks, and names of place of origin of goods;
5) other functions assigned to it by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.”

4) in article 6:
in paragraph 1:
remove words “in particular” in the first paragraph;
add subparagraphs (6)-(13) as follows:

“[which is/are:] 6) in a direct descriptive and (or) associative connection with the goods or services, for denomination of which they are used;
“7) lines, dots, simple geometric figures, as well as their combinations that do not make a single graphic composition and making no qualitatively new level of perception other than each of the components;

“8) separate figures, characters, or letters combinations that do not have a word meaning, made in a regular font and comprising a combination of no less than three language units (letters and (or) figures, characters);

“9) a three-dimensional object, which form is determined exclusively by its functional purpose;

“10) of an advertising nature;

“11) complex compound artificially made words, even if every constituent has no distinctive capacity, and all together they do not make a qualitatively new level of perception;

“12) representing commonly accepted short names of organizations, economy industries, and their abbreviations;

“13) unpatentable medicines.”;

in paragraph 2:

add words “and their emblems, flags, and symbols” after “international organizations” in part one;

set part two as follows:

“Such denominations can be used as unprotected elements, if the denomination do not comprise exclusively them, and provided that a correspondent authorized body or their owner granted a permission for that.”;

5) in article 7:

remove word “Kazpatent” in paragraph 1 subparagraph (3);

in paragraph 2:

remove subparagraph (2);

set subparagraph (3) as follows:

“3) names of works of literature, science, and arts, well known in the Republic of Kazakhstan at the moment of submission of the application, pirated renown works of arts and their fragments, if the copyright of the latter had been registered under the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan earlier than the date of priority of the trademark under registration;”;

6) in article 8:

set paragraph 1 as follows:

“1. One or several applicants shall submit the application to the expert organization.”;
replace words “registration of a collective trademark” with “collective trademark” in paragraph 2;

7) in article 9:
replace words “registration of a trademark” with “trademark”;
in paragraph 2:
set subparagraph (1) as follows:
“1) the request for examination of the denomination, specifying the applicant (applicants) as well as his (their) location or residence;”;
remove words “, for which the registration of a trademark is requested” in subparagraph (3);
in paragraph 3:
replace words “places of application” with “examination services of the expert organization. The sum of the payment is defined in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;”;
add subparagraph (3) as follows:
“3) the by-law of the collective trademark (when applying for a collective trademark), including the name of the organization authorized to register the collective trademark, the purpose of the trademark registration, the list of subjects having the right to use the trademark, the list and description of qualities or other specifications of the goods or services to be denoted with the trademark, the terms of its use, the order of control over its use, responsibility for violation of the collective trademark by-laws provisions;”;
in paragraph 5:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization”; 
add words “and if the said documents were submitted at various time, than by the date of submission of the last document.”;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in paragraph 6;

8) in article 10:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 1;
replace words “original application” with “original application(s)” in the first sentence of paragraph 2;
replace words “the application came to Kazpatent” with “the application has been submitted to the expert organization” in paragraph 3;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 4;
add part two in paragraph 5 as follows:
“Priority on the divisional applications is set according to the priority date of the original application of the same applicant; and with the right for setting an earlier priority by the original application, according to the date of such a priority, provided that at the date of submission of the divisional application the original application has not been recalled and is not considered to be cancelled, and the divisional application is submitted before the resolution on the original application.”;

add paragraph 6 as follows:

“6. A multiple priority of a trademark pertaining to various products can be set by requests of the applicant, provided that he submitted several applications for one denomination pertaining to various products.”;

9) in article 11:

replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in the first paragraph of paragraph 1;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 2;

10) in article 12:

replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body”;
remove word “examination” from paragraph 3;
set paragraph 4 as follows:

“4. The applicant has the right to reasonably appeal the expert resolution (upon which the expert organization’s final resolution is based) within three months since the day it was sent to the applicant.”
replace word “decision” with “resolution” in paragraph 5;

11) add subparagraph (3-1) in article 13 as follows:

“3-1) to request division of the application at any phase of processing before the final examination, with division of goods and services listed in the original application between the separate applications;”;

12) in article 14:

remove paragraph 1;
in paragraph 2:

replace preposition “in” with words “with issuing a certificate for the trademark by the expert organization”;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in subparagraph (5);
add words “, including information about the transfer of the rights for the protected trademark” in subparagraph (7);
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 3; set paragraph 4 as follows:

“4. Owner of a trademark must notify the expert organization on the changes pertaining to the registration, including information about changes in the surname, first name, middle name, and place of residence.”;

add paragraph 5 as follows:

“5. The expert organization makes entries about the changes defined in paragraph 4 herein as well as technical corrections in the State Register, and the authorized body, in the certificate of the trademark.”;

13) in article 16:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization”;
add part two as follows:

“Information about the owners of the collective trademark are entered in the State Register and the certificate additionally.”;

14) in article 18:
remove paragraph 1;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 3;

15) add article 18-1 as follows:

“Article 18-1. Recognition of a trademark as renown

1. Upon request of a legal entity or a person, the following trademark in the Republic of Kazakhstan can be recognized as renown: registered in the Republic of Kazakhstan or protected in accordance with international treaties trademark, as well as a denomination used as a trademark without its protection in the Republic of Kazakhstan, but which became well known in the Republic of Kazakhstan due to its active use by such a person.

2. A renown trademark is granted the legal protection as for a trademark under this Law.

3. Upon recognition of a denomination or a trademark as renown in accordance with paragraph 1 herein, the owner is given a certificate valid for ten years since the date of recognition the trademark as renown.

The validity period of the certificate can be extended for ten years more upon a request by the owner and submission of information confirming that the trademark is renown.

The information about the registration of a renown trademark, its owner, and subsequent changes pertaining to such a registration shall be entered in the State Register of Renown Trademarks and published in the Newsletter.
In making resolution on issuing a certificate, the provisions stipulated in article 12 paragraph 3 of this Law shall be applied.

16) in article 19:
   in paragraph 4:
   replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in part one;
   add words “by the owner of the trademark or the person who has been entitled such a right in accordance with agreement on transfer of the right for the trademark under article 21 paragraph 2 of this Law.” after word “packing” in part two;
   add part three as follows:
   “Evidences of the use of the trademark, submitted by its holder, shall pertain to the period of time specified in the objection.”;
   replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in paragraph 5;
   add paragraph 6 as follows:
   “6. Owners of trademarks identical or similar to the extent of being mistaken for a renown trademark, and registered before the recognition of the latter as renown, shall preserve the right for the use of such trademarks for the period defined by the authorized body, but no less than seven years.”;

17) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 21 paragraphs 1 and 3;

18) replace word “peredayetsa” with “perehodit” in part one of article 22;

19) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 23 paragraph 2;

20) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in article 24 paragraph 3;

21) set article 28 as follows:
   “Article 28. Submission of application for the name and for the right of use of the name of place of origin of good
   Applicant shall submit an application for the name and for the right of use of the name of place of origin of a good (the application) to the expert organization.”;

22) in article 29:
   set paragraph 2 subparagraph (1) as follows:
“1) request for examination of the name and (or) the right for the name, specifying the applicant(s) as well as his (their) location or place of residence;”

replace words “submission of the application” with “examination services of the expert organization. The sum of the fee shall be defined in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;” in paragraph 3 subparagraph (1);

23) in article 30:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 1;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 2;

24) in article 31:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body”;
remove subparagraph (1) of paragraph 1;

25) set article 33 as follows:
“Article 33. Procedure on keeping the State Register of names of places of origin of goods

1. After the expert organization issues a certificate for the right of use of a name of place of origin of a good, the following data shall be entered into the State Register of Names of Places of Origin of Goods: name of place of origin of a good, registered number and date, description of products specifications, data on all the right holders and places of their residence(s), submitted applications’ numbers and dates, as well as all changes in the said data and all other information relevant to the registration.

2. The right holder must notify the expert organization on the changes in registration related information. The expert organization shall enter the changes in the State Register of Names of Places of Origin of Goods and in the certificate.

3. The State Register of Names of Places of Origin of Goods is open for common access. Upon request of interested persons the expert organization makes a statement from the State Register of the names of products’ places of origin.”

26) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in article 34 paragraph 2;

27) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in article 35;

28) in article 36:
remove paragraph 1;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 3;

29) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 39 paragraph 2;

30) in article 40:
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in paragraph 2 subparagraph (3);
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 4;

31) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the authorized body” in article 41 paragraph 1;

32) in article 42:
add subparagraph (3-1) in paragraph 1 as follows:
“3-1) on the lawfulness of recognition a trademark as renown;”;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in paragraph 2;

33) in article 43:
set paragraph 1 as follows:

“1. The following shall be qualified as infringement of the right of the owner of a trademark or of the right to use the name of place of origin of a good: unauthorized use of a trademark or the name of place of origin of goods (or designations similar to the extent of misleading the public) for the similar or identical goods, and for the any goods and services, if the trademark is well-known.

Unauthorized use of a trademark or the name of a good’s place of origin in public telecommunication networks (Internet, etc) shall also be qualified as infringement of the exclusive right of the owner of the trademark or of the right for the use of the name of a good’s place of origin.”;
replace word “legislation” with “laws” in paragraph 2;

34) in article 45;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in the heading;
replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in the text, remove words “issuing documents of title”;

35) set article 46 as follows:
“Article 46. Patent agents

1. A patent agent may be a resident citizen of the Republic of Kazakhstan, whose qualification meets the requirements. The qualification requirements to patent agents, the order of their attestation and registration shall be defined by the authorized body.

2. The applicant, patent holder himself or a patent agent registered in the authorized body can deal with the authorized body and the expert organization.

Persons living abroad, or legal entities, shall exercise the rights of the applicant, owner of the trademark or the name of product’s place of origin, as well as the right of a person interested in the authorized body and the expert organization only through patent agents.

Persons who are residents of the Republic of Kazakhstan but temporary stay abroad can exercise the rights of the applicant, owner of the trademark or the name of product’s place of origin, as well as the right of a person interested in the authorized body and the expert organization, without patent agents if they use the address for correspondence in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. The information disclosed by the principle to the patent agent is confidential provided that it meets the requirements to confidential information and other legally protected secrets stipulated by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Patent agent cannot accept the assignment if he had represented or consulted persons whose interests contradict to the interests of the person applying with the request to take the case; if he had participated in its processing as well as if a relative of the patent agent takes part in the process.

5. The authority of the patent agent shall be confirmed by a letter of attorney.”

36) replace word “Kazpatent” with “the expert organization” in part two of article 47.


1) in article 1:

replace words “the authorized body” with “on integrated circuits lay-outs protection matters” in subparagraph (1);

add words “of the Republic of Kazakhstan” after “citizens” in subparagraph (6);

2) replace words “and makes their examination” with “, processes them, and registers the lay-outs”;
3) in article 11:
remove paragraph 3 subparagraph (4);
add part four in paragraph 4 as follows:

“The authorized body gives a certificate to the author of a lay-out who is not
the right holder so as to certify his authorship.”

President of the Republic of Kazakhstan