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The 11th Policy Dialogue among SIPO, JPO and KIPO Held in Korea

On December 26, a Chinese delegation led by SIPO Commissioner Tian Lian attended the 11th policy dialogue among SIPO, Japan Patent Office (JPO) and Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO). A joint statement on IPR cooperation signed by SIPO Commissioner Tian Lipu (L1), JPO Commissioner Yoshiyuki Iwai(R1) and KIPO Commissioner Lee Soo-Won and the meeting minutes were released on the meeting.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/official/201112/t20111230 63939 0.html

Britain-China Intellectual Property (IP) Symposium opened in London

Britain-China Intellectual Property (IP) Symposium opened in London on December 8 to improve British and Chinese businesses' mutual understanding of the two countries' intellectual property environments. The symposium is jointly organized by China's State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO), Britain's Intellectual Property Office (IPO), UK Trade & Investment (UKTI), and China-Britain Business Council (CBBC). There were over 200 participants including government officials, non-governmental organizations and companies from the two countries. *http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/official/201112/t20111230_63938*

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Chinese Customs Confiscate 17,000 Batches of Fake Goods in 2011

China's General Administration of Customs confiscated 17,000 batches of goods last year, including more than 95 million articles of merchandise that violated IPR laws and regulations.

The administration reviewed and approved 3,532 IPR filings in 2011, 47.6% of which were filed from domestic companies.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201201/t20120113_641 282.html

China Seizes 52 million Copies of Illegal Publications in 2011

Law enforcement authorities seized a total of 52 million pirated, pornographic and illegal publications in 2011.

Authorities investigated approximately 18,000 related cases in 2011, including 10,932 cases of intellectual property rights infringement and 1,717 violations of anti-pornography laws.

An total of 1.8 million online posts containing lewd information were taken offline in 2011.

In 2010, China confiscated a total of 44.37 million pirated, pornographic and illegal publications.

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IPR Enforcement Action to Be Launched in 2012

A National IPR enforcement action will be Launched in 2012. The action should give an easy ride for patent holder, inventor and innovation activities of investor, protect consumer's honest consumption, and escort R&D of new industries of strategic importance and economic structural adjustment. Concerted efforts would be made to investigate and punish patentrelated infringement and frauds, clear the way for innovator, investor and consumer by deterring those outlaws.

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McDonald Defeated in a Trademark Dispute

Disgruntled with the ruling by the Trademark Review and Adjudication Board (TRAB) under the State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC) over the registration of 'MILLIONAIRE 米力乃 and the figure' trademark by the third party Wang Kangsheng, McDonald's Corporation then brought TRAB and Wang to the court and sought reversal of the ruling. The Beijing No.1 Intermediate Court recently made the first instance judgment and upheld TRAB's decision on the trademark in question.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201201/t20120112_641_ 198.html

Apple Sued for Copyright Violation

Nine Chinese writers sued Apple Inc for violating copyright and demanded compensation totaling 12 million yuan (1.9 million U.S. dollars). Beijing No 2 Intermediate People's Court has accepted the lawsuit jointly filed by Chinese writers like Han Han, Li Chengpeng and He Ma. The writers claimed Apple allows its users to download pirated books through its platform App Store.

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