

VII. Communications and Exchanges with Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR and Taiwan, China

In 2012, SIPO continued to maintain sound exchanges with Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR and Taiwan, China in the field of Intellectual Property. The Intellectual Property Workshop of Mainland, Hong Kong SAR and Macao SAR was successfully held in Dalian, and SIPO continued to act as the patent search and examination authority on behalf of Macao Economic Office. The 5th Cross-straight Patent Forum was held in Taiwan, China. New ways of cooperation with Taiwan, China were actively explored to further implement the Cross-straight IP Protection Cooperation Agreement.

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In April and June, Commissioner Tian Lipu and Deputy Commissioner Li Yuguang respectively met with Mr. Peter Cheung, Director of the Intellectual Property Office of Hong Kong SAR.

In May, in accordance with the Agreement on IP Cooperation signed between SIPO and the IP Office of Hong Kong SAR, the Hong Kong IP Office for the first time sent officials to attend the training course on patent law organized by SIPO.

In July, Commissioner Tian Lipu headed a delegation to visit Taiwan, China for the first time in the capacity of the President of China Intellectual Property Society, to attend the Cross-straight Seminar on Patent Representation and visit relevant institutions, which brought the cross-straight patent cooperation and communication to a higher level.

In September, the 13th IPR Workshop of Mainland, Hong Kong SAR, and Macao SAR was hosted by SIPO in Dalian. Commissioner Tian Lipu addressed the opening ceremony. The representatives from Hong Kong SAR and Macao SAR also visited the Dalian Patent Trade Fair after the Workshop.

In September, the patent working group of “Taiwan Intellectual Property Office” visited SIPO to attend the 3rd Cross-straight Patent Working Group Meeting.

In November, Deputy Commissioner Li Yuguang met with the delegation from the Intellectual Property Office of the Macao Economic Office headed by

Ms. CHEANG Hio Man, Head of Intellectual Property Department, Economic Services of the Government of the Macao SAR.

In December, the 5th Cross-straight Patent Forum jointly organized by All China Patent Attorneys Association and Taiwan Industrial Federation was held in Taipei. Deputy Commissioner He Hua attended the Opening Ceremony and delivered remarks.



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