



Brief and important information for our users

### Newsflash 2007/05

#### 14-03-2007 Concatenated country codes for designated states in DOCDB XML

Currently we are experiencing problems with the designated states on WO-A3 publications. The problem arose because quite a lot of WO A3 documents that had been missing from the electronic data entry were uploaded manually.

Due to an error in this procedure, some of the designated states in the records are duplicated and others are concatenated.

The IFD data is not affected by this bug.

We will be correcting the corrupted data as soon as possible.

Our sincerest apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Here below an example of the corrupted data

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<exch:bibliographic-data>
  <exch:publication-reference>
    <document-id lang="en">
      <country>WO</country>
      <doc-number>0188698</doc-number>
      <kind>A3</kind>
      <date>20020425</date>
    </document-id>
  </exch:publication-reference>
```

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<exch:designation-of-states>
  <exch:designation-pct>
    <exch:national>
      <country>AE</country>
      <country>AG</country>
      <country>AL</country>
      <country>AM</country>
      <country>AT</country>
      <country>AU</country>
      <country>...</country>
      <country>RU</country>
      <country>SESD</country>
      <country>SG</country>
      <country>SI</country>
      <country>...</country>
      <country>UG</country>
      <country>AMZW</country>
      <country>AZ</country>
      <country>...</country>
    </exch:national>
  </exch:designation-pct>
</exch:designation-of-states>
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