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Harmonization of Claim Format & Drawings

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1. Claim Format "Multi Dependent"

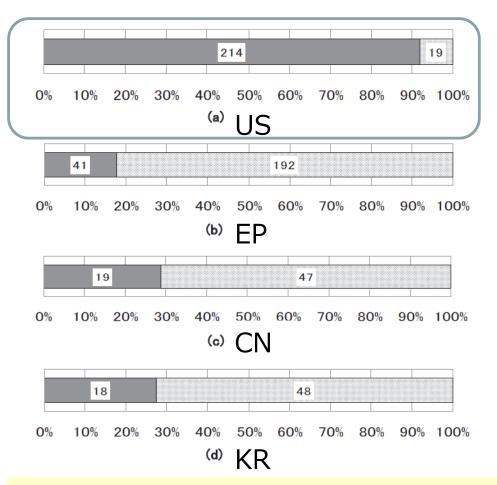
Multi Dependent & Multi-Multi Dependent Claims

[Multi] Claim A Claim B <u>Claim C according to claim A or B</u>			[Multi-Multi] Claim F according to claim D or E Claim G <u>Claim H according to claim F or G</u>			
	JP	US	EP	CN	KR	
Multi	OK	OK*	OK	OK*	OK	
Multi- Multi	OK	NG	OK	NG	NG	

[Multi] It is harmonized. However,
US requires expensive <u>surcharge</u>.
CN does not allow to refer to multi <u>independent</u> claims.

[Multi-Multi] It is not harmonized.

2. Fact Finding by Mining File HistoriesMulti-dependent Keep rate



 "Multi" is re-drafted to non-multi claims
 "Multi" claim is kept

Applications filed in JP with "multi" were <u>re-drafted to</u> <u>have "non-multi" especially for the US</u>.

3. "Drawings"

	JP	US	EP	CN	KR	Harmonization
Size of Paper	A4	A4	A4	A4	A4	Enough
Area of Figure	255x170	262x170	262x170	220x150	222x165	Necessary 262x170
Margin	25x15x10x 25	25x15x10x 25	25x15x10x 25	25x15x15x 25	40x20x20x 25	Necessary 25x15x10x25
Fig Number	図1	FIG.1	FIG.1	冬	도	(If possible) FIG. is accepted
Gray- scale	? (OK)	OK	OK	?	OK	Clarify that it is OK (PCT should also follow)
Color	NG	OK Extra Fee	NG	NG	ОК	(If possible) OK (Free)
Photo	OK W&B	OK W&B/Color	OK W&B/Color	OK ?	OK W&B/Color	(If possible) W&B/Color
Line Thickness	0.4,0.2	(0.2 OK)	(0.2 OK)	0.25-0.5	0.4, 0.2	Enough(Clarify ≧0.2 is OK)
Ref. No. Size	≧14point	≧12.1point	≧9.1point?	?	≧8.5point	(If possible) Equalize

DL time should be taken into account when color is introduced.