



Decision on Cabinet Order for Stipulating the Enforcement Date of Partial Revision of the Patent Act, etc.

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On November 1, 2019, the Cabinet approved the Cabinet Order for Stipulating the Enforcement Date of the Act for Partial Revision of the Patent Act, etc. (hereinafter referred to as the “Revised Act”), the Revised Act of which was established at the 198th ordinary session of the Diet. The Cabinet Order is to stipulate the enforcement date prescribed in the main clause of Article 1 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Revised Act as April 1, 2020.

1. Background

At the 198th ordinary session of the Diet, the Revised Act was established, aiming at review of the method of calculating compensations for damages, expansion of the scope of designs subject to protection under the Design Act, improvement of the related design system and other purposes.

In response, on November 1, 2019, the Cabinet approved the Cabinet Order to stipulate the enforcement date of the Revised Act, the date of which is a matter delegated to the Cabinet Order under the Revised Act.

2. Summary of the Cabinet Order

The Cabinet Order is to stipulate the enforcement date prescribed in the main clause of Article 1 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Revised Act as of April 1, 2020.

Link to a reference (for details, visit the following website)

- [Act for Partial Revision of the Patent Act, etc. \(promulgated on May 17, 2019\)](#)[☞]

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