Statements by the Republic of Kazakhstan on the Agenda Items of SCP/38

Agenda Item 7. Patents and Health

Sub-item 1. Updates on Initiatives Concerning Publicly Accessible Databases

Mr. Chair,

The Republic of Kazakhstan welcomes the discussion on the establishment and improvement of publicly accessible databases containing information on the patent status of medical products and healthcare technologies.

We believe that developing such information resources will improve access to patent information. Access to up-to-date and reliable information on the patent status of medical products is important for informed decision-making, including in the course of patent examination.

In this regard, Kazakhstan is interested in studying international experience in the establishment and use of such databases.

At the same time, we would like to note that, in the Republic of Kazakhstan, the state registration of medical devices, including medical equipment, devices and instruments, is carried out in accordance with the Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan “On Public Health and the Healthcare System”.

The examination of medical devices is conducted by the National Center for Expertise of Medicines and Medical Devices.

Kazakhstan reaffirms its readiness for further exchanges of experience and constructive cooperation on the matters under consideration.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.