



Yemen TMO Resumes Renewals for US & Swedish Trademarks

More than a year after declaring US and Swedish trademarks inadmissible, the Yemen-Sanaa trademark office has relaxed its stance. This new development that has come into effect vide Ministerial Decision No 56 of 2024, now allows the American and Swedish companies, individuals and rights holders to renew their trademarks in Sanaa.

Towards the end of October 2023, Yemen Ministry of Industry had declared that all the new trademark applications filed by American trademark holders, inadmissible. Further, any trademarks registered in Yemen previously under the American applicants were deemed canceled.

The current change in stance, though limited to trademark renewals only as of now, is expected to open the gates for American and Swedish companies and individuals, for the filing of new trademarks as well do away with all the restrictions to access the complete range of services provided by the Ministry of Economy and Industry and Investment Trade.

As the restrictions to renew trademarks have been lifted, the TM registrar has advised the US trademark registrants, whose trademarks had lapsed during the sanction period, to avail the services and renew their trademarks without any further delay.