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The following classification changes will be effected by this Notice of Changes:

<u>Action</u>	<u>Subclass</u>	<u>Group(s)</u>
SCHEME:		
Symbols Deleted:	H04N	3/15, 3/1506, 3/1512, 3/1525, 3/155, 3/1556, 3/1562, 3/1568, 3/1575, 3/1581
Warnings Deleted:	H04N	3/15, 3/1506, 3/1512, 3/1525, 3/155, 3/1556, 3/1562, 3/1568, 3/1575, 3/1581
	H04N	25/00, 25/40, 25/47, 25/48, 25/50, 25/60, 25/701, 25/71, 25/711, 25/713, 25/76, 25/767

No other subclasses/groups are impacted by this Notice of Changes.

This Notice of Changes includes the following [Check the ones included]:

1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

- A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)
- B. New, Modified or Deleted Warning(s)
- C. New, Modified or Deleted Note(s)
- D. New, Modified or Deleted Guidance Heading(s)

2. DEFINITIONS

- A. New or Modified Definitions (Full definition template)
- B. Modified or Deleted Definitions (Definitions Quick Fix)

3. REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)

4. CHANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)

5. CHANGES TO THE CROSS-REFERENCE LIST (CRL)

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1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)

SUBCLASS H04N - PICTORIAL COMMUNICATION, e.g. TELEVISION

Type*	Symbol	Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)	Title “CPC only” text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**	Transferred to#
D	H04N 3/15	3	{for picture signal generation}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/1506	4	{with addressing of the image-sensor elements (H04N 3/1575 takes precedence)}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/1512	5	{for MOS image-sensors, e.g. MOS-CCD (H04N 3/1581 takes precedence)}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/1525	4	{with charge transfer within the image-sensor, e.g. time delay and integration (H04N 3/1575 takes precedence)}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/155	4	{Control of the image-sensor operation, e.g. image processing within the image-sensor}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/1556	5	{for variable integration time}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/1562	5	{for selective scanning, e.g. windowing, zooming}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/1568	5	{for disturbance correction or prevention within the image-sensor, e.g. biasing, blooming, smearing (correction circuits H04N 25/62)}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/1575	4	{Picture signal readout register, e.g. shift registers, interline shift registers}	<no transfer>
D	H04N 3/1581	4	{using linear image-sensor}	<no transfer>

*N = new entries where reclassification into entries is involved; C = entries with modified file scope where reclassification of documents from the entries is involved; Q = new entries which are firstly populated with documents via administrative transfers from deleted (D) entries. Afterwards, the transferred documents into the Q entry will either stay or be moved to more appropriate entries, as determined by intellectual reclassification; T = existing entries with enlarged file scope, which receive documents from C or D entries, e.g. when a limiting reference is removed from the entry title; M = entries with no change to the file scope (no reclassification); D = deleted entries; F = frozen entries will be deleted once reclassification of documents from the entries is completed; U = entries that are unchanged.

NOTES:

- **No {curly brackets} are used for titles in CPC only subclasses, e.g. C12Y, A23Y; 2000 series symbol titles of groups found at the end of schemes (orthogonal codes); or the Y section titles. The {curly brackets} are used for 2000 series symbol titles found interspersed throughout the main trunk schemes (breakdown codes).

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- U groups: it is obligatory to display the required “anchor” symbol (U group), i.e. the entry immediately preceding a new group or an array of new groups to be created (in case new groups are not clearly subgroups of C-type groups). Always include the symbol, indent level and title of the U group in the table above.
- All entry types should be included in the scheme changes table above for better understanding of the overall scheme change picture. Symbol, indent level, and title are required for all types.
- “Transferred to” column must be completed for all C, D, F, and Q type entries. F groups will be deleted once reclassification is completed.
- When multiple symbols are included in the “Transferred to” column, avoid using ranges of symbols in order to be as precise as possible.
- For administrative transfer of documents, the following text should be used: “< administrative transfer to XX>”, “<administrative transfer to XX and YY simultaneously>”, or “<administrative transfer to XX, YY, ...and ZZ simultaneously>” when administrative transfer of the same documents is to more than one place.
- Administrative transfer to main trunk groups is assumed to be the source allocation type, unless otherwise indicated.
- Administrative transfer to 2000/Y series groups is assumed to be “additional information”.
- If needed, instructions for allocation type should be indicated within the angle brackets using the abbreviations “ADD” or “INV”: <administrative transfer to XX ADD>, <administrative transfer to XX INV>, or < administrative transfer to XX ADD, YY INV, ... and ZZ ADD simultaneously>.
- In certain situations, the “D” entries of 2000-series or Y-series groups may not require a destination (“Transferred to”) symbol, however it is required to specify “<no transfer>” in the “Transferred to” column for such cases.
- For finalisation projects, the deleted “F” symbols should have <no transfer> in the “Transferred to” column.
- For more details about the types of scheme change, see CPC Guide.

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B. New, Modified or Deleted Warning(s)

SUBCLASS H04N - PICTORIAL COMMUNICATION, e.g. TELEVISION

Type*	Location	Old Warning	New/Modified Warning
D	H04N 3/15	Group H04N 3/15 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/00, H04N 25/10, H04N 25/11, H04N 25/13, H04N 25/131, H04N 25/133, H04N 25/134, H04N 25/135, H04N 25/136, H04N 25/17, H04N 25/20, H04N 25/21, H04N 25/30, H04N 25/70, H04N 25/701, H04N 25/7013, H04N 25/702, H04N 25/703, H04N 25/704, H04N 25/705, H04N 25/706, H04N 25/707, H04N 25/708, H04N 25/709 and H04N 25/79. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/1506	Group H04N 3/1506 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/76, H04N 25/766, H04N 25/767, H04N 25/768, H04N 25/77, H04N 25/771, H04N 25/772, H04N 25/773, H04N 25/778, H04N 25/779, H04N 25/7795 and H04N 25/78. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/1512	Group H04N 3/1512 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/76, H04N 25/766, H04N 25/767, H04N 25/768, H04N 25/77, H04N 25/771, H04N 25/772, H04N 25/773, H04N 25/778, H04N 25/779, H04N 25/7795 and H04N 25/78. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/1525	Group H04N 3/1525 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/71, H04N 25/711 and H04N 25/713. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/155	Group H04N 3/155 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/40, H04N 25/41, H04N 25/42, H04N 25/44, H04N 25/441, H04N 25/443, H04N 25/445, H04N 25/447, H04N 25/46, H04N 25/47, H04N 25/48, H04N 25/50, H04N 25/51, H04N 25/53, H04N 25/531, H04N 25/532, H04N 25/533, H04N 25/534,	

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<u>Type*</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Old Warning</u>	<u>New/Modified Warning</u>
		H04N 25/535, H04N 25/57, H04N 25/571, H04N 25/573, H04N 25/575, H04N 25/58, H04N 25/581, H04N 25/583, H04N 25/585, H04N 25/587, H04N 25/589 and H04N 25/59. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/1556	Group H04N 3/1556 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/53, H04N 25/531, H04N 25/532, H04N 25/533, H04N 25/534 and H04N 25/535. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/1562	Group H04N 3/1562 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/40, H04N 25/41, H04N 25/42, H04N 25/44, H04N 25/441, H04N 25/443, H04N 25/445, H04N 25/447 and H04N 25/46. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/1568	Group H04N 3/1568 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/60, H04N 25/61, H04N 25/611, H04N 25/615, H04N 25/6153, H04N 25/616, H04N 25/617, H04N 25/618, H04N 25/62, H04N 25/621, H04N 25/622, H04N 25/623, H04N 25/625, H04N 25/626, H04N 25/627, H04N 25/628, H04N 25/63, H04N 25/633, H04N 25/65, H04N 25/67, H04N 25/671, H04N 25/672, H04N 25/673, H04N 25/674, H04N 25/677, H04N 25/68, H04N 25/683 and H04N 25/69. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/1575	Group H04N 3/1575 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/713 and H04N 25/767. Groups H04N 3/1575, H04N 25/713 and H04N 25/767 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 3/1581	Group H04N 3/1581 is no longer used for the classification of documents as of August 1, 2023. The content of this group is being reclassified into groups H04N 25/701 and H04N 25/7013. Groups H04N 3/1581, H04N 25/701 and H04N 25/7013 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	

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<u>Type*</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Old Warning</u>	<u>New/Modified Warning</u>
D	H04N 25/00	Groups H04N25/00, H04N25/10, H04N25/11, H04N25/13, H04N25/131, H04N25/133, H04N25/134, H04N25/135, H04N25/136, H04N25/17, H04N25/20, H04N25/21, H04N25/30, H04N25/70, H04N25/702, H04N25/703, H04N25/704, H04N25/705, H04N25/706, H04N25/707, H04N25/708, H04N25/709 and H04N25/79 are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group H04N3/15. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/40	Groups H04N 25/40, H04N 25/41, H04N 25/42, H04N 25/44, H04N 25/441, H04N 25/443, H04N 25/445, H04N 25/447 and H04N 25/46 are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups H04N 3/155 and H04N 3/1562. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/47	Group H04N 25/47 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group H04N 3/155. Groups H04N 3/155 and H04N 25/47 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/48	Group H04N 25/48 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group H04N 3/155. Groups H04N 3/155 and H04N 25/48 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/50	Groups H04N25/50, H04N25/51, H04N25/53, H04N25/531, H04N25/532, H04N25/533, H04N25/534, H04N25/535, H04N25/57, H04N25/571, H04N25/573, H04N25/575, H04N25/58, H04N25/581, H04N25/583, H04N25/585, H04N25/587, H04N25/589 and H04N25/59 are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups H04N3/155 and H04N3/1556. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/60	Groups H04N25/60 - H04N25/69 are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group H04N3/1568. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/701	Groups H04N 25/701 and H04N 25/7013 are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups H04N 3/15 and H04N 3/1581. Groups H04N 3/15, H04N 3/1581, H04N 25/701 and H04N 25/7013 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/71	Group H04N 25/71 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group H04N 3/1525. Groups H04N 3/1525 and	

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<u>Type*</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Old Warning</u>	<u>New/Modified Warning</u>
		H04N 25/71 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/711	Group H04N 25/711 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group H04N 3/1525. Groups H04N 3/1525 and H04N 25/711 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/713	Group H04N 25/713 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups H04N 3/1525 and H04N 3/1575. Groups H04N 3/1525, H04N 3/1575 and H04N 25/713 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/76	Groups H04N 25/76, H04N 25/766, H04N 25/767, H04N 25/768, H04N 25/77, H04N 25/771, H04N 25/772, H04N 25/773, H04N 25/778, H04N 25/779, H04N 25/7795 and H04N 25/78 are incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups H04N 3/1506 and H04N 3/1512. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	
D	H04N 25/767	Group H04N 25/767 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group H04N 3/1575. Groups H04N 3/1575 and H04N 25/767 should be considered in order to perform a complete search.	

*N = new warning, M = modified warning, D = deleted warning

NOTE: The "Location" column only requires the symbol PRIOR to the location of the warning. No further directions such as "before" or "after" are required.

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4. CHANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)

<u>CPC</u>	<u>IPC</u>	<u>Action*</u>
H04N 3/15		DELETE
H04N 3/1506		DELETE
H04N 3/1512		DELETE
H04N 3/1525		DELETE
H04N 3/155		DELETE
H04N 3/1556		DELETE
H04N 3/1562		DELETE
H04N 3/1568		DELETE
H04N 3/1575		DELETE
H04N 3/1581		DELETE

*Action column:

- For an (N) or (Q) entry, provide an IPC symbol and complete the Action column with “NEW.”
- For an existing CPC main trunk entry or indexing entry where the existing IPC symbol needs to be changed, provide an updated IPC symbol and complete the Action column with “UPDATED.”
- For a (D) CPC entry or indexing entry complete the Action column with “DELETE.” IPC symbol does not need to be included in the IPC column.
- For an (N) 2000 series CPC entry which is positioned within the main trunk scheme (breakdown code) provide an IPC symbol and complete the action column with “NEW”.
- For an (N) 2000 series CPC entry positioned at the end of the CPC scheme (orthogonal code), with no IPC equivalent, complete the IPC column with “CPCONLY” and complete the action column with “NEW”.

NOTES:

- F symbols are not included in the CICL table above.
- T and M symbols are not included in the CICL table above unless a change to the existing IPC is desired.