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Box No. I Basis of this opinion

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 - the international application in the language in which it was filed
 - a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).
2. This opinion has been established taking into account the **rectification of an obvious mistake** authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43bis.1(a))
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 - on paper or in the form of an image file (Rule 13ter.1(b) and Administrative Instructions, Section 713).
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| 1. Statement | | | |
| Novelty (N) | Claims | <u>1</u> | YES |
| | Claims | <u>None</u> | NO |
| Inventive step (IS) | Claims | <u>1</u> | YES |
| | Claims | <u>None</u> | NO |
| Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims | <u>1</u> | YES |
| | Claims | <u>None</u> | NO |

2. Citations and explanations:

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: US 2004-0178197 A1 (HSU et al.) 16 September 2004

D2: JP 4934539 B2 (SANKO CO., LTD.) 16 May 2012

D3: JP 2957456 B2 (GIFU PLAST IND. CO., LTD.) 04 October
1999

D4: US 5588549 A (FURTNER, Josef) 31 December 1996

D5: KR 20-0448969 Y1 (KOREA CONTAINER POOL CO., LTD.) 09
June 2010

2.1. Novelty and Inventive Step

2.1.1. Independent Claim: Claim 1

The invention as set forth in claim 1 differs from the invention disclosed in document D1 in that the former pertains to a prefabricated box characterized in that: flange pieces formed to extend outwards are formed at the upper ends of side plates of the prefabricated box; coupling recessed grooves, which are opened in the downward direction, are formed at the bottom surfaces of both side end portions of the flange piece of one of the side plates; and coupling protrusions, accommodated in

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and press-fitted into the coupling recessed grooves, are provided at both side end portions of the flange piece of the side plate that abuts the side plate having the coupling recessed grooves, whereas the later discloses a foldable container comprising: a bottom plate (22); two pairs of side walls (24, 28) facing each other; and T-shaped protrusions (70) and protrusion grooves (50), which are formed on the outer surface of the side walls. The difference would not be obvious to a person skilled in the art, to which the present invention belongs, having regard to the other cited documents. Therefore, the invention as set forth in claim 1 is novel and involves an inventive step under PCT Article 33(2) and (3).

2.2. Industrial Applicability

The invention as set forth in claim 1 is industrially applicable under PCT Article 33(4).