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MADRID AGREEMENT AND MADRID PROTOCOL CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS

Accession to the Madrid Agreement and to the Madrid Protocol: Namibia

1. On March 31, 2004, the Government of Namibia deposited with the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), its instrument of accession to both the Madrid Agreement and the Madrid Protocol Concerning the International Registration of Marks. The Madrid Agreement and the Madrid Protocol will enter into force with respect to Namibia on June 30, 2004.

2. The instrument of accession to the Madrid Protocol deposited by the Government of Namibia was accompanied by the declaration referred to in Article 14(5) of the Protocol, whereby the protection resulting from any international registration effected under the Protocol before June 30, 2004, cannot be extended to Namibia.

3. Accession to the Madrid Agreement and the Madrid Protocol by Namibia brings the number of Contracting Parties of the Madrid System to 75. A list of the members of the Madrid Union and information on the dates on which these Contracting Parties became party to the Madrid Agreement and/or the Protocol, as well as on declarations made under these two treaties, are available on WIPO's website, at the following address: *www.wipo.int*.

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