

INTERNATIONAL UNION

ISRAEL

Ratification

of the Arrangement of Lisbon for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration¹⁾

The following communication has been received from the Swiss Federal Political Department:

(Translation)

"In compliance with the instructions of the Federal Political Department dated 1st June, 1963, the Swiss Embassy has the honour to inform the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that, by a Note dated 30th January, 1963, received on 31st of the same month, the Embassy of Israel in Berne deposited with the Political Department the instrument of ratification of that State to the Arrangement of Lisbon for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration, signed on 31st October, 1958 (including the Regulations for the execution of the said Arrangement)."

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Application

of the Paris Convention to Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Samoa and Guam

The following communication has been received from the Swiss Federal Political Department:

"In compliance with the instructions of the Swiss Federal Political Department dated 7th June, 1963, the Swiss Embassy has the honour to inform the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that in a note dated 5th March, 1963, the Embassy of the United States of America in Berne informed the Political Department that in application of Article 16^{bis} of the Convention of Paris for the Protection of Industrial Property, the said Convention is applicable to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Samoa and Guam.

The text of the note was as follows:

"The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Federal Political Department and has the honor to refer to the 1911, 1925, 1934 and 1958 revisions of the Convention of Paris for the Protection of Industrial Property. On behalf of the Government of the United States, the Embassy gives notice of territorial application of these revisions to Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Samoa and Guam.

It is noted that pursuant to Article 16^{bis} of the 1958 and 1934 revisions, the notification will apply with respect to

such revisions one month after the dispatch of the communication by the Government of the Swiss Confederation to the other countries of the Union. The Government of the United States desires that the notification apply with respect to the 1925 and 1911 revisions on that same date."

In accordance with paragraph (1) of Article 16^{bis} of the Convention of Paris, the notification of the United States of America will take effect on 7th July, 1963."

LEGISLATION

IRELAND

Trade Marks Act

(No. 9, of 1963)¹⁾

(First Part)

Arrangement of Sections

PART I

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2. Interpretation.
3. Power of Minister to make rules.
4. Fees.
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PART II

Provisions relating to Registration

9. The register of trade marks.
10. No action for infringement of unregistered trade mark.
11. Registration to be in respect of particular goods.
12. Right given by registration in Part A and infringement thereof.
13. Right given by registration in Part B and infringement thereof.
14. Infringement by breach of certain restrictions.
15. Saving for vested rights.
16. Saving for use of name, address or description of goods.
17. Distinctiveness requisite for registration in Part A.
18. Capability of distinguishing requisite for registration in Part B.
19. Prohibition of registration of deceptive and certain other matter.
20. Prohibition of registration of identical and resembling trade marks.
21. Registration in Part A to be conclusive as to validity after seven years.
22. Registration subject to disclaimer.
23. Words used as name or description of an article or substance.
24. Effect of limitation as to colour and of absence thereof.
25. Application for registration.
26. Opposition to registration.
27. Registration.
28. Duration and renewal of registration.
29. Registration of parts of trade marks and of trade marks as a series.
30. Powers of and restrictions on assignment and transmission.
31. Certain trade marks to be associated so as to be assignable and transmissible as a whole only.

¹⁾ Communicated by the Industrial and Commercial Property Registration Office, Dublin.

¹⁾ This Arrangement has so far been ratified by France and Czechoslovakia. It will come into force after the fifth ratification [see Article 13 (2) of the Arrangement].