

Madrid Protocol Concerning the International Registration of Marks

Notification under new Rule 40(6) of the Common Regulations: Singapore

1. The Government of Singapore has notified the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in accordance with new Rule 40(6) of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks and the Protocol Relating to that Agreement (the Common Regulations), which entered into force on February 1, 2019.
2. According to the said notification, new Rules *27bis(1)* and *27ter(2)(a)* of the Common Regulations are not compatible with the law of Singapore and do not apply in respect of Singapore. As a result, the Office of Singapore will not present to the International Bureau of WIPO requests for the division of an international registration under new Rule *27bis(1)* nor requests for the merger of international registrations resulting from division under new Rule *27ter(2)(a)*.
3. Further details on the new Rules that entered into force on February 1, 2019, including new Rule 40(6), can be found in Information Notice No 21/2018.

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