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MADRID AGREEMENT AND PROTOCOL CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS

Electronic Payment Interface

- 1. Users of the Madrid system are hereby informed that, as from November 5, 2008, an electronic interface for the payment of fees ("E-Payment") with regard to international applications or registrations, as notified in irregularities letters or other World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) communications, is available on the WIPO Madrid website under "Online Services".
- 2. E-Payment may be used in any situation where the International Bureau has indicated in a communication the amount of fee payable within an applicable time limit.
- 3. More precisely, E-Payment may be used in the following situations:
- (a) where *an irregularity notice* has been issued by the International Bureau, and any amount of fee is due, with respect to an international application, a subsequent designation, a request for the recording of a change or of a license, a request for amendment of the recording of a license or the renewal of an international registration;
- (b) where a notification concerning the payment of the second part of the individual fee has been issued by the International Bureau in respect of the designation of any Contracting Party;
- (c) where an invitation to request the continuation of effects of international registrations in a successor State has been issued by the International Bureau.
- 4. E-Payment can be made by *credit card* or through a *current account opened with WIPO*. An acknowledgement of receipt of payment will be sent automatically.
- 5. It will, of course, remain possible to pay any fee through the usual methods of payment: either by payment to the designated WIPO bank account or postal account or by sending a written instruction to debit a current account opened with WIPO.

6. Any queries regarding the E-Payment system may be addressed to the following e-mail address: <u>e-payment@wipo.int</u>. For more information please visit <u>http://www.wipo.int/madrid/en/</u>.

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