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WIPO Launches On-Line Tool to Assist in Filing International Trademark Applications

1.   It is recalled that, during the Forty-Second (18th Ordinary) Session of the Assembly of the Madrid Union which was held in Geneva from September 22 to October 1, 2009, the Assembly approved the implementation of the project proposed in document MM/A/42/3 entitled "Madrid System Database of Acceptable Indications of Goods and Services".

2.   At the Forty-Third (25th Extraordinary) Session of the Assembly of the Madrid Union which took place in Geneva from September 20 to 29, 2010, the Secretariat reported on the progress made in the construction of the Madrid System Goods and Services Database and indicated that access to the database would become publicly available in the course of 2010.

3.   On December 20, 2010, WIPO launched an on-line tool, known as the Madrid System Goods & Services Manager (G&S Manager), which will provide access to the contents of the above-mentioned database at: *http://www.wipo.int/gsmanager*. This on-line tool will help trademark applicants in compiling the list of goods and services that must be submitted when filing an international application under the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks.

4.   The G&S Manager gives access to thousands of standard terms classified in accordance with the 9th edition of the International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks (Nice Classification). By selecting terms from the G&S Manager, applicants can be confident that no irregularity notice will be issued by the International Bureau of WIPO with respect to the classification or indication of those goods and services.

5.   The G&S Manager is available in the three working languages of the Madrid system, namely English, French and Spanish, and gives access to some 30,000 terms.

6.   In addition, a Russian interface of the G&S Manager is also available on the WIPO website. This Russian interface gives access to some 16,000 terms that have been translated into Russian by the Federal Institute of Industrial Property (FIPS) of the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks of the Russian Federation (ROSPATENT). Using this interface, a Russian-speaking applicant can first compose a list of goods and services in Russian and then have the list translated automatically into any of the Madrid system working languages (English, French or Spanish).

7.   Other language versions of the G&S Manager are currently under preparation in cooperation with the Trademark Offices of other Madrid Union members.

8.   The G&S Manager is also accessible through the WIPO GOLD portal at: *http://www.wipo.int/gsmanager*.

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