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PROTOCOL RELATING TO THE MADRID AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS

Ratification by the Kingdom of Belgium and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg Acceptance by the Kingdom of the Netherlands

1. On November 28, 1997, December 22, 1997 and January 1, 1998, respectively, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Kingdom of Belgium and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg deposited with the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) their instruments of ratification or acceptance of the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks. The Madrid Protocol will enter into force, with respect to the Kingdom of Belgium, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and the Kingdom of the Netherlands, on April 1, 1998.

2. The said instruments were accompanied by the following declarations:

– in accordance with Article 9*quater*, the Benelux Trademark Office shall be the common Office for the Kingdom of Belgium, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the whole of whose respective territories shall be deemed to be a single State for the purposes of the Protocol;

– regarding the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Madrid Protocol applies to the Kingdom in Europe.

– in accordance with Article 8(7)(a) of the Madrid Protocol, in connection with each international registration in which Benelux is mentioned under Article 3*ter* of the said Protocol, and in connection with the renewal of any such international registration, the Benelux Trademark Office should receive, instead of a share in the revenue produced by the supplementary and complementary fees, an individual fee.

3. The amounts (in Swiss francs) of the said individual fees will be as follows:

Designation fee (in the international application or in a subsequent designation):	
– for three classes of goods or services (where the mark is a collective mark)	155 (221)
– for each additional class	14
Renewal fee:	
– for three classes of goods or services (where the mark is a collective mark)	254 (463)
– for each additional class	45

4. Ratification or acceptance by the three Benelux States brings the number of Contracting Parties of the Madrid Protocol to 28, namely, Belgium, China, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom and Yugoslavia.

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