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### MADRID PROTOCOL CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS

#### Change in the Amounts of Individual Fees: Japan

1. In accordance with Rule 35(2)(c) of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement and Protocol, the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) has established the following new amounts in Swiss francs of the individual fee that is payable when Japan is designated in an international application, in a designation subsequent to international registration or in respect of the renewal of an international registration:

ITEMS		AMOUNTS <i>(in Swiss francs)</i>
Application or Subsequent Designation	<u>First Part:</u>	
	– for one class of goods or services	140
	– for each additional class	107
	<u>Second Part:</u>	
	– for each class of goods or services	467
Renewal	– for each class of goods or services	603

2. This change will take effect on April 1, 2009. Therefore, these amounts will be payable where Japan

(a) is designated in an international application which is received, or is deemed to have been received under Rule 11(1)(c), by the Office of origin on or after that date, or

(b) is the subject of a subsequent designation which is received by the Office of the Contracting Party of the holder on or after that date, or is filed direct with the International Bureau on or after that date, or

(c) has been designated in an international registration which is renewed on or after that date.

3. Furthermore, as far as the second part of the individual fee is concerned, it should be noted that, pursuant to Rules 34(3)(a) and (7)(c), the new amount will apply as from April 1, 2009. In this regard, it should be further noted that the International Bureau indicates, in a notification for the payment for the second part of the individual fee, the amount in force at the time of the issuance of that notification. In other words, such a notification, issued prior to April 1, 2009, may indicate the old amount. However, the new amount will apply if the payment is made on or after April 1, 2009, regardless of the fact that the old amount may have been indicated in the International Bureau's notification sent to the holder of a given international registration. Payment should, of course, be made by the due date indicated in the notification, as determined by the Japan Patent Office. If not, the designation of Japan will be cancelled.

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