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

Accession by Ukraine

1. On September 29, 2000, the Government of Ukraine deposited with the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) its instrument of accession to the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks. The Madrid Protocol will enter into force with respect to Ukraine on December 29, 2000.
2. The said instrument of accession was accompanied by a declaration that, in accordance with Article 5(2)(b) of the Protocol, the time limit of one year to exercise the right to notify a refusal of protection referred to in Article 5(2)(a) is replaced by 18 months and that, in accordance with Article 5(2)(c), where refusal of protection may result from an opposition to the granting of protection, such refusal may be notified after the expiry of the 18-month time limit.
3. Accession by Ukraine to the Madrid Protocol brings the number of Contracting Parties of the Protocol to 49, namely, Armenia, Austria, Antigua and Barbuda, Belgium, Bhutan, China, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Latvia, Lesotho, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, Morocco, Mozambique, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom and Yugoslavia.
4. A list of the members of the Madrid Union and information on the dates on which these States became party to the Madrid Agreement or the Protocol, as well as on declarations made under these two treaties, are available under the heading "List of members" on the International Marks page on WIPO's website, at the following address: www.wipo.int.

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