

Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (STLT)

Assembly

Tenth (5th Ordinary) Session
Geneva, October 2 to 11, 2017

REPORT

adopted by the Assembly

1. The Assembly was concerned with the following items of the Consolidated Agenda (document A/57/1): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12, 26, 30 and 31.
2. The reports on the said items, with the exception of item 26, are contained in the General Report (document A/57/12).
3. The report on item 26 is contained in the present document.
4. Mr. Vancho Kargov (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia) was elected Chair of the Assembly; Mr. Yukio Ono (Japan) was elected Vice-Chair.

ITEM 26 OF THE CONSOLIDATED AGENDA

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5. Discussions were based on document STLT/A/10/1.
6. The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all the delegations participating in the tenth session of the Assembly of the Singapore Treaty. The Chair also welcomed eight new Contracting Parties to the Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (STLT) (hereinafter referred to as “the Singapore Treaty”), namely, Afghanistan, Benin, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Ireland, Japan, Mali, Republic of Korea and the African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI), which had deposited their respective instruments of ratification or accession since the last session of the Assembly, bringing the total number of Contracting Parties to 46.
7. The Secretariat introduced the document and recalled that in its Resolution Supplementary to the Singapore Treaty, the Diplomatic Conference for the Adoption of a Revised Trademark Law Treaty, held in Singapore in March 2006, requested the Singapore Treaty Assembly to monitor and evaluate, at every ordinary session, the progress of the assistance related to implementation efforts and the benefits resulting from such implementation. At its 1st ordinary session, held in Geneva from September 22 to October 1, 2009, the Singapore Treaty Assembly agreed that Contracting Parties would communicate to the Secretariat any information on technical assistance activities related to the implementation of the STLT and that the Secretariat would compile the information received and present it, together with all relevant information from its own technical assistance activities, to the next ordinary session of the Singapore Treaty Assembly. Therefore, document STLT/A/10/1 contained relevant information covering the time period from June 2015 to May 2017. The information was presented in two broad categories, namely, assistance in establishing the legal framework for the implementation of the Treaty, and activities relating to information, education, awareness raising and assistance in revising administrative practices and procedures.
8. The Assembly took note of the contents of the “Assistance for the Implementation of the Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (STLT)” (document STLT/A/10/1).

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