

**Comments on the Draft Report of the Eighth Session of the
Working Group on the Legal Development of the Madrid System for the
International Registration of Marks (Document MM/LD/WG/8/6 PROV)**

1. Comments received from the Delegation of Japan

*“133. The Delegation of Japan expressed its thanks to the Delegation of Madagascar and the Representative of INTA for the information which they had made available to the Working Group. The Delegation noted that at the sixth session of the Working Group, which took place in November 2008, that Delegation had explained that there were very few cases of central attack **by third parties** in Japan. On the other hand, some Japanese users thought that central attack was a useful feature of the Madrid system. **Therefore, with regard to the abolition of the requirement of a basic mark**, the Delegation of Japan said that it was necessary to consider the balance of interests between applicants for international registrations and third parties who sought to cancel international registrations by central attack.”*

2. Comments received from the Delegation of Madagascar

“Madagascar: About the draft Report of the 8th session of the working group

Gentlemen,

Upon reading the draft report of the abovementioned working group, we congratulate the International Bureau for its clarity and for the quality reporting the contributions made by the participants.

Thus, we have no comments to make concerning the statements made either by the Delegation of Madagascar or by other Delegations. The same applies to the annexes of this document.

Therefore, as far as we are concerned, the report may be adopted.

Sincerely,

*Mathilde RAHARINONY
Delegation of Madagascar to the present session
Malagasy Office of Industrial Property OMAPI”*

3. Comments received from the Japan Trademark Association

“The draft report of the eighth session of the Working Group on the Legal Development of the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks

*The Legal Section,
The International Bureau of WIPO*

Dear Sirs,

Having checked the draft report of the eighth session of the Working Group on the Legal Development of the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks, we would like to request you that following should be amended;

IV.(on Page 40 - ANNEX, Page 8)

*ORGANISATIONS INTERNATIONALES NON
GOUVERNEMENTALES/INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS*

*Association japonaise des marques (JTA)/Japan Trademark Association (JTA)
Chiaki KAWAI (Ms.), Patent-Trademark Attorney, **Seijo (incorrect)***

*Chiaki KAWAI (Ms.), Patent-Trademark Attorney, **Tokyo (correct)***

We appreciate your kind cooperation in this matter.

*Chiaki Kawai
Chair, International Activities Committee,
Japan Trademark Association”*

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