

PROCEDURE FOR THE ELECTRONIC ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE NINTH SESSION OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE LEGAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE MADRID SYSTEM FOR THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS

1. The International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) is pleased to announce that the draft report of the ninth session of the Working Group on the Legal Development of the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks, hereinafter referred to as “the Working Group”, is now available on the Madrid system website at the following address:
http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=18443.
2. It may be recalled that during the eighth session of the Working Group, a procedure for the electronic adoption of the draft report was approved (document MM/LD/WG/8/6). According to said procedure, participants in the Working Group may submit comments on the draft report posted at the aforesaid address until February 16, 2012.
3. Comments on the draft report may be submitted in any of the three working languages of the Madrid system, by e-mail: madridlegal@wipo.int.
4. A track-changes version of the draft report, taking into account all the comments submitted by the participants in the Working Group, will subsequently be published on the aforementioned website. A further communication announcing the availability of the comments and the track-changes version of the draft report will be issued in due course.
5. Participants will be able to submit final comments on the track-changes version of the draft report, before adoption of the report, by e-mail: madridlegal@wipo.int.
6. The International Bureau of WIPO will then publish on its web site the complete report, without track-changes, taking into account any final comments submitted. That version of the report will indicate the date of such final publication, and, as noted in the procedure approved by the Working Group, the report will be deemed adopted as of the date of such final electronic publication.

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