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## **Notifications Concerning Treaties Administered by WIPO in the Field of Industrial Property**

### **Nairobi Treaty**

#### **Ratification**

#### **MOROCCO**

The Government of Morocco deposited, on October 11, 1993, its instrument of ratification of the Nairobi Treaty on the Protection of the Olympic Symbol, adopted at Nairobi on September 26, 1981.

The said Treaty will enter into force, with respect to Morocco, on November 11, 1993.

*Nairobi Notification No. 39, of October 13, 1993.*

## **Normative Activities of WIPO in the Field of Industrial Property**

### **Paris Union**

#### **Committee of Experts on the Harmonization of Laws for the Protection of Marks**

#### **Sixth Session**

(Geneva, November 29 to December 10, 1993)

#### **DRAFT REGULATIONS UNDER THE DRAFT TRADEMARK LAW TREATY**

#### **Introduction**

The present document contains the draft Regulations under the draft Trademark Law Treaty<sup>1</sup> with the exception of the Notes and Forms.

<sup>1</sup>For the revised draft Trademark Law Treaty, see *Industrial Property*, 1993, p. 339.

Differences between the text of the draft Regulations submitted to the fifth session (document HM/CE/V/3) and the text of the draft Regulations contained in the present document are highlighted as follows: (i) words which did not appear in document HM/CE/V/3 but appear in the present document are in italics, whereas (ii) the fact that words which appeared in document HM/CE/V/3 but do not appear in the present document is indicated by the sign < — >.

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### Rule 1 Abbreviated Expressions

(1) ["Treaty"; "Article"] (a) In these Regulations, the word "Treaty" means the Trademark Law Treaty.

(b) In these Regulations, the word "Article" refers to the specified Article of the Treaty.

(2) [Abbreviated Expressions Defined in the Treaty] The abbreviated expressions defined in Article 1 for the purposes of the Treaty shall have the same meaning for the purposes of the Regulations.

### Rule 2 Details Concerning the Application

(1) [Name of Applicant] (a) For the purposes of Article 3(1)(a)(ii), *any Contracting Party may require that*, where the applicant is a natural person, the name to be indicated *be* the family or principal name and the given or secondary name of the natural person *and that*, where the applicant is a legal entity, the name to be indicated *be* the full official designation of the legal entity. *Where a natural person has several given or secondary names, the indication of more than one may not be required.*

(b) Any Contracting Party may require that <-> the name of the applicant be indicated in <-> the script used by its Office <->.

(2) [Address of Applicant] (a) For the purposes of Article 3(1)(a)(ii), *any Contracting Party may require that* the address of the applicant be <-> indicated in such a way as to satisfy the customary requirements for prompt postal delivery at the indicated address and, in any case, consist of all the relevant administrative units up to, and including, the house or building number, if any. *Any Contracting Party may also require that* the indication of the address <-> also include a telephone number and a facsimile <-> number, *wherever available.*

(b) The application may contain, for the purposes of correspondence, an additional address different from the address of the applicant indicated under subparagraph (a).

(c) Where an application is filed in the name of two or more applicants with different addresses, any Contracting Party may require that such application indicate an address for correspondence.

(3) [Name and Address of Representative; *Address for Service*] Paragraphs (1) and (2) shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the names and addresses of <-> representatives <-> *and to addresses for service.*

(4) [Standard Characters] Where, pursuant to Article 3(1)(a)(viii), the application contains a statement to the effect that the applicant wishes that the mark be registered and published in <-> characters *which are standard in the territory of the Contracting Party*, the Office shall register and publish that mark in *such* standard characters <->.

(5) [Number of Reproductions] (a) *Where, pursuant to Article (3)(1)(a)(ix), the application contains a statement to the effect that the applicant wishes to claim color as a distinctive feature of the mark, a Contracting Party may not require more than*

(i) *four reproductions of the mark in color, in addition to one reproduction of the mark in black and white, where the mark is to be published in color,*

(ii) *[two] reproductions of the mark in color, in addition to one reproduction of the mark in black and white, where the mark is to be published in black and white and the application contains a statement to the effect that the applicant wishes that the mark be registered and published in standard characters,*

(iii) *[two] reproductions of the mark in color, in addition to [three] reproductions of the mark in black and white, where the mark is to be published in black and white and the application does not contain a statement to the effect that the applicant wishes that the mark be registered and published in standard characters.*

(b) *Where the application does not contain a statement pursuant to Article 3(1)(a)(ix), to the effect that the applicant wishes to claim color as a distinctive feature of the mark, a Contracting Party may not require more than*

(i) *one reproduction of the mark in black and white where the application contains a statement to the effect that the applicant wishes that the mark be registered and published in standard characters,*

(ii) *[three] reproductions of the mark in black and white where the application does not contain a statement to the effect that the applicant wishes that the mark be registered and published in standard characters.*

(6) [Reproduction of a Three-Dimensional Mark] (a) *Where, pursuant to Article 3(1)(a)(x), the application contains a statement to the effect that the*

mark is a three-dimensional mark, the reproduction of the mark shall consist of <-> a two-dimensional graphic or photographic reproduction.

(b) *The reproduction furnished under subparagraph (a) may, at the option of the applicant, consist of one single view of the mark or of several different views of the mark.*

(c) *Where the Office considers that the reproduction of the mark furnished by the applicant under subparagraph (a) does not sufficiently show the particulars of the three-dimensional mark, it may invite the applicant to furnish, within a reasonable time limit fixed in the invitation, up to six different views of the mark and/or a description by words of that mark.*

(d) *Where the Office considers that the different views and/or the description of the mark referred to in subparagraph (c) still do not sufficiently show the particulars of the three-dimensional mark, it may invite the applicant to furnish, within a reasonable time limit fixed in the invitation, a specimen of the mark.*

(e) *Paragraph (5) shall apply mutatis mutandis.*

(7) [Transliteration of the Mark] For the purposes of Article 3(1)(a)(xii), where the mark consists of or contains matter in script other than the script used by the Office or numbers expressed in numerals other than numerals used by the Office, <-> a transliteration of such matter in the script and numerals used by the Office may be required.

(8) [Translation of the Mark] For the purposes of Article 3(1)(a)(xii), where the mark consists of or contains a word or words in a language other than the official language, or one of the official languages, of the Office, <-> a translation of that word or those words into that language or one of those languages may be required.

(9) [Signature on Behalf of a Legal Entity] For the purposes of Article 3(4)(a), where the applicant signs the application and that applicant is a legal entity, any Contracting Party may require that the signature be accompanied by the name of the natural person having signed on behalf of the legal entity. *Where a natural person has several given or secondary names, the indication of more than one may not be required.*

(10) [Time Limit for Furnishing Evidence of Actual Use of the Mark] The time limit referred to in Article 3(6) shall not be shorter than six months counted from the date of allowance of the application by the Office of the Contracting Party where that application was filed. That time limit shall be extendable, subject to the possible payment of fees, by periods of at least six months each, up to a total extension of at least two years and a half.

### Rule 3

#### Details Concerning Electronic Communications

[Reserved]

### Rule 4

#### Details Concerning Representation

(1) [Time Limit for Submitting the Document Appointing a Representative] The time limit referred to in Article 4(3)(a) shall be counted from the date of receipt of the communication by the Office of the Contracting Party concerned and shall not be less than one month where the <-> address of the person by, or on whose behalf, the communication is made is on the territory of that Contracting Party and not less than two months where such an address is outside the territory of that Contracting Party.

(2) [Indication of the Name and Address of the Representative] Rule 2(1) and (2)(a) and (b) shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the indication, under Article 4(3), of the name and address of the representative <->.

### Rule 5

#### Details Concerning the Filing Date Requirements

(1) [Procedure in Case of Non-Compliance with Requirements] If the application does not, at the time of its receipt by the Office, comply with any of the applicable requirements of Article 5(1) or <-> (2), the Office shall promptly invite the applicant to comply with such requirements within a time limit indicated in the invitation, which time limit shall be at least one month from the date of the invitation where the applicant's address is on the territory of the Contracting Party concerned and at least two months where the applicant's address is outside the territory of that Contracting Party. Compliance with the invitation may be subject to the payment of a special fee. Failure to send an invitation shall not affect the said requirements.

(2) [Filing Date in Case of Correction] If, within the time limit indicated in the invitation, the applicant complies with the invitation referred to in paragraph (1) and pays any required special fee, the filing date shall be the date on which the indication or elements referred to in Article 5(1) have been received by the Office or, where applicable, the required fee referred to in Article 5(2) has been paid to the Office. Otherwise, the application shall be treated as if it had not been filed.

(3) [Date of Receipt] Each Contracting Party shall be free to determine the circumstances in which the receipt of a document by or the payment of a fee to a branch or sub-office of an Office, a national Office on behalf of an intergovernmental organization having the power to effect regional registration of marks, or an official postal service, shall be deemed to constitute receipt of the document by or payment of the fee to the Office concerned.

(4) [Use of Telecopier] Where a Contracting Party allows the filing of an application by telecopier, and an application filed by telecopier complies with all the *applicable* requirements under Article 5(1) and <-> (2), the filing date of the application shall be the date of its receipt by telecopier by the Office of that Contracting Party, provided that *the said Contracting Party may require that the original of such application reach <-> the Office within a time limit which shall be at least <-> one month <-> from the day on which the communication by telecopier was received by the said Office.*

#### **Rule 6** **Division of Application**

For the purposes of Article 7, any Contracting Party shall be free to fix the modalities of division of an application <->.

#### **Rule 7** **Signature and Other Means of Self-Identification**

The period referred to in Article 8(2)(b) shall <-> not be less than <-> one month <-> from the date of the *receipt* of a communication by telecopier.

#### **Rule 8** **Manner of Identification of an Application Without Its Application Number**

(1) [Manner of Identification] (a) For the purposes of Articles 4 and 10 to 12, where the application number of an application is not known, the identification of that application shall be made <->

(i) by indicating the date on which, to the best knowledge of the applicant, the application was received by the Office and

(ii) by identifying the mark through furnishing a reproduction thereof.

(b) *If the applicant filed, on the same day, more than one application for the same mark, the identification of each such application shall also be made*

*by indicating the goods and/or services for which registration is sought.*

(2) [Prohibited Requirement] *No Contracting Party may require, for the purposes of the identification referred to in paragraph (1), a description of the mark by words.*

#### **Rule 9** **Details Concerning Change in Ownership**

(1) [Co-Holders; Co-Owners] Where, in accordance with Article 11(1)(b)(iii) and (iv), a request for the recordal of a change in ownership is accompanied by a certificate of transfer or a transfer document, and where the registration which is the subject of that change in ownership is in the name of several holders or where the change in ownership *is to result in the registration being in the name of several new owners, any Contracting Party may require that each co-holder or co-owner, as the case may be, <-> sign the certificate of transfer or the transfer document, provided that, where the <-> shares of only one or some of the co-holders are concerned by the change in ownership, those co-holders may either sign the certificate of transfer or the transfer document or give their express consent to the change in ownership in a document signed by them and enclosed with the certificate of transfer or the transfer document.*

(2) [Change in the Ownership of the Application] Paragraph (1) shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, where the change in ownership concerns an application or applications, or both applications and registrations.

(3) [Transliteration; Signature] Rule 2(1)(b) shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the name of any new owner and Rule 2(9) shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, where any new owner is a legal entity.

#### **Rule 10** **Details Concerning Duration and Renewal**

(1) [Period for the Presentation of the Request for Renewal and the Payment of the Renewal Fee] For the purposes of Article 13(1)(c), the period during which the request for renewal may be presented and the renewal fee may be paid shall start at least six months before the date on which the renewal is due and shall end at the earliest six months after that date. *If the request for renewal is presented and the renewal fees are paid after the date on which the renewal is due, any Contracting Party may subject the renewal to the payment of a surcharge.*

(2) [Duration <->] For the purposes of Article 13(8), each Contracting Party shall provide for a minimum duration of 10 years in respect of the

*initial registration and in respect of each renewal of the registration.*

#### **Rule 11**

##### **Absence of Quorum in the Assembly**

In the case provided for in Article 17(5)(b), the International Bureau shall communicate the decisions of the Assembly (other than those concerning the Assembly's own procedure) to the Contracting

Parties having the right to vote which were not represented and shall invite them to express in writing their vote or abstention within a period of three months from the date of the communication. If, at the expiration of that period, the number of Contracting Parties having thus expressed their vote or abstentions attains the number of Contracting Parties which was lacking for attaining the quorum in the session itself, such decisions shall take effect provided that at the same time the required majority still obtains.

## **Registration Systems Administered by WIPO**

### **Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)**

#### **Training and Promotion Meetings With PCT Users**

In August 1993, two government officials from Belarus and one government official from Latvia received one week's training in administrative procedures under the PCT at the headquarters of WIPO.

### **Madrid Union**

#### **Training and Promotion Meetings With Users of the Madrid System**

In August 1993, two government officials from Belarus received one week's training in administrative procedures under the Madrid Agreement at the headquarters of WIPO.

## Activities of WIPO in the Field of Industrial Property Specially Designed for Developing Countries

### Africa

#### Training Courses, Seminars and Meetings

*WIPO Regional Introductory Course on Industrial Property (Mali).* From August 10 to 20, 1993, WIPO organized in Bamako a Regional Introductory Course on Industrial Property for officials from French-speaking African countries, in cooperation with the Government of Mali. The Course was attended by 14 government officials from Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, the Central African Republic, Chad, the Comoros, the Congo, Guinea, Madagascar, Niger, Rwanda and Senegal, by an official of the International Federation of Inventors' Associations (IFIA) and by 40 participants from the public and private sectors of Mali. Papers were presented by five WIPO consultants from France and Mali and by two WIPO officials. About half of the travel and subsistence costs of the participants were financed through funds made available to WIPO by the Government of France.

*WIPO Subregional Seminar on the Promotion of Innovation (Lesotho).* From August 18 to 20, 1993, WIPO organized in Maseru a Subregional Seminar on the Promotion of Innovation. The Seminar was attended by eight government officials from Botswana, Namibia, Swaziland and Zimbabwe and some 25 participants from government, academic and research and development institutions in Lesotho. Three WIPO consultants from Côte d'Ivoire, Denmark and IFIA and two WIPO officials presented papers.

#### Assistance With Training, Legislation and Modernization of Administration

*Lesotho.* In August 1993, two WIPO officials held discussions in Maseru with government and UNDP officials on a possible UNDP-financed country project for the strengthening and modernization of the industrial property office of Lesotho and on legislative issues.

*Mali.* In August 1993, two WIPO officials held discussions with government officials on the modernization of the industrial property system of Mali and the provision, by WIPO, of CD-ROM equipment for the Industrial Property and Standardization Division of Mali.

*Namibia.* In August 1993, a WIPO consultant from Sweden undertook a mission to Windhoek to assist in the modernization of the Registry of Companies, Trade Marks, Patents and Designs and to provide on-the-job training for the staff of the Registry.

*United Republic of Tanzania.* In August 1993, two WIPO officials undertook a mission to Dar es Salaam and had discussions with government officials on the Patents Act, 1887, and on finalizing the draft patents regulations.

### Arab Countries

#### Training Courses, Seminars and Meetings

*League of Arab States (LAS).* In August 1993, two WIPO officials attended a meeting, in Geneva,

on cooperation between the United Nations system of organizations and the LAS and its specialized organizations.



## Asia and the Pacific

### Assistance With Training, Legislation and Modernization of Administration

*Bhutan.* In August 1993, the International Bureau prepared and sent to the government authorities, at their request, a draft industrial property law, together with a commentary.

*China.* In August 1993, WIPO organized a study visit, on service marks, to the Japanese Patent Office in Tokyo for three government officials from the Trademark Office of the State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC).

*Iran (Islamic Republic of).* In August 1993, a WIPO official undertook a mission to Tehran to evaluate needs and, in cooperation with the competent government authorities and UNDP, to finalize the list of equipment to be acquired for the introduction of basic computerized processing of patent and trademark applications in the Registration Organization of Deeds, Intellectual and Industrial Property. The WIPO official also held discussions with government and UNDP officials and representatives of development institutions and the private sector on the subject of promoting greater local use of the industrial property system. The mission was financed by the UNDP-financed country project.

*Malaysia.* In August 1993, Dato' Hj. Shaharuddin B. Hj. Haron, Secretary General of the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs, had discussions with the Director General and other WIPO officials in Geneva on cooperation between Malaysia and WIPO, in particular in the implementation of the UNDP-financed country project for upgrading the Intellectual Property Department, and also with a

view to obtaining advice from WIPO on the draft industrial design law. The possible accession of Malaysia to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) and to the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks (Madrid Protocol) was likewise discussed.

*Thailand.* In August 1993, Mr. Bajr Israsena Na Ayuthaya, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, and four other government officials from the same Ministry visited WIPO and had discussions with the Director General and other WIPO officials on cooperation between Thailand and WIPO in the field of industrial property and on possible accession to several treaties administered by WIPO.

Also in August 1993, WIPO organized the training on trademark matters of two government officials at the Japanese Patent Office in Tokyo.

*Tonga.* In August 1993, the International Bureau prepared and sent to the government authorities, at their request, comments on the draft industrial property bill.

*Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN).* In late July and early August 1993, a joint WIPO-ASEAN survey mission, consisting of two WIPO officials and two officials from the Philippines and Singapore, nominated by the ASEAN Secretariat, visited Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand to undertake a survey of the present status of industrial property information in those ASEAN countries and to evaluate the needs, requirements and other feasibility questions related to the possible initiation of industrial property information exchanges among ASEAN member countries.

## Latin America and the Caribbean

### Training Courses, Seminars and Meetings

*WIPO National Seminar on Trademarks and Export Products (Chile).* On August 30 and 31, 1993, WIPO organized in Santiago, in cooperation with the Government of Chile, a National Seminar on Trademarks and Export Products. The Seminar was attended by some 80 government officials and representatives of enterprises and the legal profession. It was opened by Mr. Enrique Silva Cimma, Minister for Foreign Affairs, with a statement made by the Minister of Economic Affairs. Papers were

presented by two WIPO consultants from Chile and Portugal, two speakers from Chile and a WIPO official.

### Assistance With Training, Legislation and Modernization of Administration

*Bolivia.* In August 1993, His Excellency Mr. Jorge Soruco, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Bolivia to the United Nations Office and

other International Organizations in Geneva, deposited with the Director General Bolivia's instruments of accession to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and to the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works.

Also in August 1993, the International Bureau prepared and sent to the government authorities, at their request, comments on a draft industrial property law.

*Chile.* In late August and early September 1993, a WIPO consultant from the European Patent Office (EPO) visited the Industrial Property Department in Santiago to advise on the examination of patent applications in the field of mechanics.

Also in late August and early September 1993, a WIPO consultant from Chile provided the Industrial Property Department in Santiago with advice on its computerized system. It was an activity under the UNDP-financed regional project for Latin America and the Caribbean.

*Ecuador.* In August 1993, a WIPO consultant from Chile visited the National Directorate of Industrial Property in Quito to advise on the computerization of its patent and trademark work. The mission was organized with the financial assistance of the Government of Germany.

*Peru.* In August 1993, a WIPO consultant from Chile undertook a mission to the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Intellectual Property Protection (INDECOPI) to provide advice on the development of computerized systems for processing patent and trademark applications. This mission was organized with the financial assistance of the Government of Germany.

*Trinidad and Tobago.* In August 1993, the International Bureau prepared and sent to the government authorities, at their request, comments on the draft Trade Marks (Amendment) Bill.

Also in August 1993, the International Bureau sent to the government authorities, again at their request, an outline of a proposed UNDP-financed country project for the modernization of the Registrar General's Department.

*Uruguay.* In August 1993, a WIPO consultant from Chile undertook a mission to Montevideo to provide advice on the preparation of a draft law for the establishment of the proposed Uruguayan Institute of Industrial Property. The mission was funded by the IDB (Inter-American Development Bank)-financed country project for Uruguay.

Also in August 1993, the International Bureau prepared and sent to the government authorities, at their request, comments on a draft law on inventions and industrial designs.

In late August and early September 1993, a WIPO official undertook a mission to Montevideo to give advice to government officials and members of Parliament on the revision of the Patent Law.

*Aruba and the Netherlands Antilles.* In August 1993, a joint delegation of officials from Aruba and the Netherlands Antilles visited WIPO in Geneva and held discussions with WIPO officials on the application of treaties administered by WIPO to the territories of Aruba and the Netherlands Antilles, on patent and trademark legislation issues and on the PCT. The Delegation from Aruba was led by Dr. Hyacintho Rudolf Croes, Minister of Justice, and that from the Government of the Netherlands Antilles was represented by Dr. Juny Sluis, Director, Bureau for Industrial Property in Curaçao.

## WIPO Medals

In August 1993, WIPO medals were awarded to two Malaysian inventors for the best Malaysian invention and the best student invention presented at

the Malaysian Invention and Design Society Exhibition, "MINDEX 93," held in Kuala Lumpur.

## Activities of WIPO in the Field of Industrial Property Specially Designed for Countries in Transition to Market Economy

### National Activities

*Azerbaijan.* In August 1993, Mr. Aziz Ragimov, Vice-Chairman of the State Committee for Science and Technics, and Mr. Vagif F. Efendy, Director of the Patent Department, had discussions with the Director General and other WIPO officials in Geneva on the possibility of assistance from WIPO in the setting up of an industrial property system in Azerbaijan, the training of industrial property attorneys, industrial property protection in Azerbaijan and the possibility of Azerbaijan becoming party to WIPO-administered treaties, in particular the Convention Establishing the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks, the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) and the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of

the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure.

*Bulgaria.* In August 1993, a WIPO official visited the Patent Office in Sofia to participate in the presentation to prospective suppliers of a tender document, prepared by the International Bureau in cooperation with the Patent Office, for the supply of a computerized trademark administration system to the Office. The mission was carried out in the framework of the UNDP-funded country project.

*Slovakia.* In August 1993, the Director General paid an official visit to Slovakia at the invitation of the Government. During his stay, he had discussions with government leaders and officials on cooperation between WIPO and the Government in industrial property matters.

## Other Contacts of the International Bureau of WIPO with Governments and International Organizations in the Field of Industrial Property

### National Contacts

*Japan.* In August 1993, a member of an Advisory Commission set up by the Government of Japan to revise the Law on the Prevention of Unfair Competition had discussions with WIPO officials in Geneva on current trends in that field.

### United Nations

*United Nations Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC).* In August 1993, a WIPO official

attended several meetings, held in Geneva, of ACC's Senior-Level Task Force on UN Information Systems.

*United Nations Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions (Financial and Budgetary Questions) (CCAQ(FB)).* In late August and early September 1993, a WIPO official attended the 78th session of this Committee, which took place in Montreal (Canada).

### Other Organizations

*International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property*

(ATRIP). In August 1993, the 12th Annual Meeting of ATRIP took place at the Stockholm School of Economics in Stockholm. The meeting was attended by 66 participants from 40 countries. The travel and subsistence expenses of 12 professors from Brazil, China, Colombia, Egypt, India, Pakistan, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tunisia, Uganda and Zimbabwe were borne by WIPO. The topics of discussion included recent developments in intellectual property teaching and research in developing countries and in countries in

transition to market economy, the teaching of intellectual property law in schools of business and engineering and the establishment of institutes on intellectual property teaching and research.

*International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA).* In August 1993, a WIPO official attended the 59th General Conference of IFLA held in Barcelona (Spain).

## Calendar of Meetings

### WIPO Meetings

(Not all WIPO meetings are listed. Dates are subject to possible change.)

#### 1993

**November 29 to December 10 (Geneva)** **Committee of Experts on the Harmonization of Laws for the Protection of Marks (Sixth Session) and Preparatory Meeting for the Diplomatic Conference for the Conclusion of a Treaty on the Harmonization of Laws for the Protection of Marks (Trademark Law Treaty)**

The Committee of Experts is expected to complete the preparations for a possible Trademark Law Treaty. The Preparatory Meeting will decide which substantive documents should be submitted to the Diplomatic Conference and which States and organizations should be invited to the Diplomatic Conference. The Preparatory Meeting will also establish the draft Rules of Procedure of the Diplomatic Conference.

*Invitations:* States members of the Paris Union, the European Communities, the African Intellectual Property Organization, States members of WIPO not members of the Paris Union and certain organizations.

#### 1994

**January 31 to February 4 (Geneva)** **Committee of Experts on the Development of the Hague Agreement (Fourth Session)**

The Committee will continue to consider possibilities for revising the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Deposit of Industrial Designs, or adding to it a protocol, in order to introduce in the Hague system provisions intended to encourage States to adhere to the system and to facilitate the use of the system by applicants.

*Invitations:* States members of the Hague Union, and, as observers, States members of the Paris Union not members of the Hague Union and certain organizations.

February 21 to 25 (Geneva)

**Committee of Experts on the Settlement of Intellectual Property Disputes Between States (Sixth Session) and Preparatory Meeting (Second Part) for the Diplomatic Conference for the Conclusion of a Treaty on the Settlement of Intellectual Property Disputes Between States**

The Committee of Experts will continue the preparations for a possible multilateral treaty on the settlement of intellectual property disputes between States. The Preparatory Meeting will decide what substantive documents should be submitted to the Diplomatic Conference and which States and organizations should be invited to the Diplomatic Conference. The Preparatory Meeting will also establish the proposed Rules of Procedure of the Diplomatic Conference.

*Invitations:* States members of the Paris Union, the Berne Union or WIPO or party to the Nairobi Treaty and, as observers, certain organizations.

March 3 and 4 (Geneva)

**Worldwide Forum on the Arbitration of Intellectual Property Disputes** (jointly organized with the American Arbitration Association (AAA))

The Forum will, with particular reference to intellectual property disputes, give an overview of the various extra-judicial procedures for dispute resolution, examine the main elements of the arbitration process, and consider the nature and use of mediation as a form of dispute resolution.

*Invitations:* Governments, selected non-governmental organizations and any member of the public (against payment of a registration fee).

May 2 to 6 (Geneva)

**Working Group on the Application of the Madrid Protocol of 1989 (Sixth Session)**

The Working Group will continue to review joint Regulations for the implementation of the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks and of the Madrid Protocol, as well as draft forms to be established under those Regulations.

*Invitations:* States members of the Madrid Union, States having signed or acceded to the Protocol, the European Communities and, as observers, other States members of the Paris Union expressing their interest in participating in the Working Group in such capacity and certain non-governmental organizations.

May 23 to 27 (Geneva)

**WIPO Permanent Committee for Development Cooperation Related to Copyright and Neighboring Rights (Eleventh Session)**

The Committee will review and evaluate the activities carried out under the WIPO Permanent Program for Development Cooperation Related to Copyright and Neighboring Rights since the Committee's last session (November 1992) and make recommendations on the future orientation of the said Program.

*Invitations:* States members of the Committee and, as observers, States members of the United Nations not members of the Committee and certain organizations.

June 6 to 10 (Geneva)

**Committee of Experts on a Possible Protocol to the Berne Convention (Fourth Session)**

The Committee will continue to examine the question of the preparation of a possible protocol to the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works.

*Invitations:* States members of the Berne Union, the Commission of the European Communities and, as observers, States members of WIPO not members of the Berne Union and certain organizations.

June 13 to 17 (Geneva)

**Committee of Experts on a Possible Instrument for the Protection of the Rights of Performers and Producers of Phonograms (Third Session)**

The Committee will continue to examine the question of the preparation of a possible new instrument (treaty) on the protection of the rights of performers and producers of phonograms.

*Invitations:* States members of WIPO, the Commission of the European Communities and, as observers, certain organizations.

June 20 to 23 (Geneva)

**WIPO Permanent Committee for Development Cooperation Related to Industrial Property (Sixteenth Session)**

The Committee will review and evaluate the activities carried out under the WIPO Permanent Program for Development Cooperation Related to Industrial Property since the Committee's last session (November 1992) and make recommendations on the future orientation of the said Program.

*Invitations:* States members of the Committee and, as observers, States members of the United Nations not members of the Committee and certain organizations.

**September 26 to October 4 (Geneva)****Governing Bodies of WIPO and the Unions Administered by WIPO (Twenty-Fifth Series of Meetings)**

Some of the Governing Bodies will meet in ordinary session, others in extraordinary session.  
*Invitations:* As members or observers (depending on the body), States members of WIPO or the Unions and, as observers, other States and certain organizations.

**UPOV Meetings**

(Not all UPOV meetings are listed. Dates are subject to possible change.)

**1994****November 2 to 4 (Geneva)****Technical Committee**

*Invitations:* Member States of UPOV and, as observers, certain non-member States and inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations.

**November 7 and 8 (Geneva)****Administrative and Legal Committee**

*Invitations:* Member States of UPOV and, as observers, certain non-member States and inter-governmental organizations.

**November 9 (a.m.) (Geneva)****Consultative Committee (Forty-Eighth Session)**

*Invitations:* Member States of UPOV.

**November 9 (p.m.) (Geneva)****Council (Twenty-Eighth Ordinary Session)**

*Invitations:* Member States of UPOV and, as observers, certain non-member States and inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations.

**Other Meetings****1994****February 2 to 8 (Queenstown)****International Federation of Industrial Property Attorneys (FICPI): Executive Committee****May 4 to 9 (Beijing)****Licensing Executives Society International (LESI): International Conference****May 8 to 11 (Seattle)****International Trademark Association (INTA): 116th Annual Meeting****May 23 to 25 (Turin)****International Publishers Association (IPA): Symposium on the theme "Publishers and New Technology"****May 25 to 28 (Luxembourg)****European Communities Trade Mark Association (ECTA): Annual General Meeting and Conference****May 28 to June 5 (Ostend)****International Federation of the Seed Trade (FIS)/International Association of Plant Breeders for the Protection of Plant Varieties (ASSINSEL): World Congress****June 12 to 18 (Copenhagen)****International Association for the Protection of Industrial Property (AIPPI): Executive Committee****June 19 to 24 (Vienna)****International Federation of Industrial Property Attorneys (FICPI): Congress**



