Protocol
to the Vienna Agreement for the Protection of Type Faces and Their International Deposit Concerning the Term of Protection

The States party to the Vienna Agreement for the Protection of Type Faces and Their International Deposit (hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement”), and party to this Protocol

Have agreed to the following provisions:

1. The term of protection shall be a minimum of twenty-five years instead of the minimum of fifteen years referred to in Article 9(1) of the Agreement.

2. (a) This Protocol shall be open for signature by the States which have signed the Agreement.
(b) This Protocol may be ratified by the States which have signed the Protocol and ratified the Agreement.
(c) This Protocol shall be open to accession by States which have not signed the Protocol but have ratified or acceded to the Agreement.
(d) This Protocol shall enter into force three months after three States have deposited their instruments of ratification of or accession to this Protocol, but not before the Agreement itself enters into force.
(e) This Protocol may be revised by conferences of the States party to the Protocol which shall be convened by the Director General at the request of at least one-half of those States. The expenses attributable to any conference for the revision of this Protocol which is not held during the same period and at the same place as a conference for the revision of the Agreement shall be borne by the States party to this Protocol.
(f) The provisions of Articles 30, 33, 35(2), 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41 (i), (ii), (iii), (vi), (vii), (viii) and (xi) of the Agreement shall apply mutatis mutandis.

Vienna Agreement
Establishing an International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks
Done at Vienna on June 12, 1973

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The Contracting Parties,

Having regard to Article 19 of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, of March 20, 1883, as revised at Brussels on December 14, 1900, at Washington on June 2, 1911, at The Hague on November 6, 1925, at London on June 2, 1934, at Lisbon on October 31, 1958, and at Stockholm on July 14, 1967,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1
Establishment of a Special Union; Adoption of an International Classification

The countries to which this Agreement applies constitute a Special Union and adopt a common classification for the figurative elements of marks (hereinafter designated as “the Classification of Figurative Elements ”).

Article 2
Definition and Deposit of the Classification of Figurative Elements

(1) The Classification of Figurative Elements comprises a list of categories, divisions and sections in which the figurative elements of marks are classified, together with, as the case may be, explanatory notes.

(2) The Classification of Figurative Elements is contained in one authentic copy, in the English and French languages, signed by the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (hereinafter designated respectively as “ the Director General ” and “ the Organization ”) and deposited with him at the time that this Agreement is opened for signature.