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## MADRID AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS AND PROTOCOL RELATING TO THAT AGREEMENT

## International Application Containing a Limitation of the List of Goods and Services in Respect of One or More Designated Contracting Parties

- 1. According to Rule 9(4)(a)(xiii) of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement and Protocol, an international application may contain limitations of the list of goods and services in respect of one or more designated Contracting Parties; furthermore, the limitation in respect of each Contracting Party may be different. Such limitations allow for international applications to be tailored in accordance with the applicant's needs. They may prove to be particularly useful where individual fees are payable for one or more designated Contracting Parties.
- 2. At present, the international application forms do not reflect the possibility of limiting the list of goods and services in respect of one or more designated Contracting Parties. As a result, users are often not aware of this possibility or, where they are aware, do not know how to indicate the limitation.
- 3. The international application forms (MM1, MM2 and MM3) have therefore been modified to enable applicants to indicate, by checking a box in new item 10(b), that they wish to limit the list of goods and services in respect of one or more designated Contracting Parties. A space is also provided in item 10(b) for indicating the name of each designated Contracting Party concerned, followed by the class(es) or the list of goods and services for which protection is sought in that Contracting Party.
- 4. The new international application forms are available on WIPO's homepage on the internet (www.wipo.int), under the heading "Activities & Services International Marks."

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