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MADRID AGREEMENT AND PROTOCOL CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS

Fees in Respect of Classes Resulting from the Correction of the Classification in an International Registration

1. Under Rule 28 of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement and Protocol, the International Bureau modifies the International Register whenever it considers that an international registration, as recorded in the Register, has been the subject of an error. Such modification may concern a classification issue which has been revealed only after registration.
2. The correction of the classification in an international registration may, in certain cases, result in a change in the number of classes for which the international registration in question is recorded in the International Register. In some of those cases, this may imply a different amount of individual or supplementary fees, as the case may be, than that which has actually been paid.
3. However, once an international registration has been recorded in the International Register, there is no mechanism for requiring the payment of a further fee from the holder. Neither is there any mechanism for requiring the reimbursement of a fee from a designated Contracting Party.
4. Consequently, where the correction of the classification in an international registration gives rise to the inclusion of an additional class, the International Bureau will not require of the holder the payment of a further individual or supplementary fee, as the case may be, in respect of the additional class concerned. Neither will the International Bureau be in a position to transmit any such additional fee to the relevant designated Contracting Parties.
5. Similarly, where the correction of the classification in an international registration gives rise to the deletion of a class, the International Bureau will not require from the designated Contracting Parties concerned a reimbursement of any fee corresponding to that class. Neither will the holder of the international registration in question be reimbursed any fee in such case.
6. When the international registration falls due for renewal, however, the renewal fees will be calculated on the basis of the number of classes as resulting from the correction.

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