Submission of Information by Third Parties

Guatemala

Any person may, within three months following the publication of the edict, submit in writing to the Registry observations regarding the patentability of the invention, including information or documents deemed pertinent.¹

The Registry shall notify the patent applicant of the observations received, and within the following three months, the applicant may file any counter-statement and any information or documents deemed pertinent.

The filing of observations will not suspend the prosecution of the application. Anyone who submits observations will not become a party to the proceeding, and, once the patent is granted, will not be prevented from filing a nullity action against the same.

¹ Article 116 of the Industrial Property Law (Decree 57-2000).