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INTERNET DOMAIN NAMES

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1. Documents WO/GA/28/3 Add. and WO/GA/28 Add. 2 (“Internet Domain Names”) reported on the notifications of country names which the Secretariat has received from Member States pursuant to the recommendation of the Special Sessions of the Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (SCT), as reflected in paragraph 31 of document WO/GA/28/3.
2. At its meeting from September 23 to October 1, 2002, the “General Assembly [of WIPO Member States]” further noted that a number of issues with respect to the protection of country names in the DNS [Domain Name System] warrant further discussion. These issues concern, in particular, [...] the extension of the deadline for the notification to the Secretariat of names by which countries are commonly known [...]” (see paragraph 81 of Extract from WIPO General Assembly Report WO/GA/28/7).
3. Since the meeting of the General Assembly of WIPO Member States, the Secretariat has received one additional such notification from Switzerland. The notification in question appears in the Annex to this document, which contains a cumulative list of all notifications received by the Secretariat to date.

[Annex follows]

ANNEX

List of commonly known country names for
which protection is sought in the Domain Name System
as notified to the Secretariat

Country	Names	Date on which the notification was received
Holy See	Holy See (the) Santa Sede (la) Saint-Siège (le) Stato della Città del Vaticano (lo) Vatican City State (the) État de la Cité du Vatican (l') Estado de la Ciudad del Vaticano (el) Vatican (the) le Vatican VAT VA	June 28, 2002
Mexico	Estados Unidos Mexicanos República Mexicana México	July 12, 2002
Netherlands	nederland (the) netherlands (les) pays -bas (los) países bajos holland hollande holanda (die) niederlande	July 15, 2002
New Zealand	Aotearoa Aoteoroa New Zealand New Zeeland New Zealand New-Zealand New_Zealand New.Zealand	August 28, 2002
Portugal	Portugal República Portuguesa República de Portugal	July 1, 2002
Russian Federation	the Russian Federation Russia	August 6, 2002

Switzerland	Schweiz Suisse Svizzera Svizra Switzerland Suiza Helvetien Helvétie Elvezia Helvetia Helvecia Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft Schweizer Eidgenossenschaft Confédération suisse Confederazione Svizzera Confederaziun Svizra Swiss Confederation Confederación Suiza Helvetische Eidgenossenschaft Confédération helvétique Confederazione elvetica Confederaziun helvetica Confoederatio helvetica Elvetic Confederation Helvetian Confederation confederación helvecia Bund Confédération Confederazione Confederaziun Confederation Confederación CH CHE	November 6, 2002
Thailand	SIAM	July 11, 2002

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