

## **Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (STLT)**

### **Assembly**

**Third (2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary) Session**  
**Geneva, September 26 to October 5, 2011**

#### **AMENDMENT OF MODEL INTERNATIONAL FORM No. 1**

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1. This document contains a proposal for preparatory work to be undertaken with a view to a decision of the Assembly of the Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (hereinafter referred to as “the Singapore Treaty” and “the Assembly”) amending Model International Form No. 1 under the STLT.
2. Article 23(2) of the Singapore Treaty provides that  
“The Assembly shall  
  
[...]  
  
(ii) amend the Regulations, including the Model International Forms.”
3. At its second session (1<sup>st</sup> Extraordinary), which took place in Geneva, from September 20 to 29, 2010, the Assembly of the Singapore Treaty adopted amendments to Rule 3(4) to (6) of the Regulations under the Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (document STLT/A/2/1, paragraph 8).

4. Preparatory work for the review of Rule 3(4) to (6) was undertaken by a Working Group, which met in Geneva on June 28 and 29, 2010, back-to-back with the twenty-third session of the Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (SCT). At that session, the Working Group requested the Secretariat to introduce all amendments consequential to the change in Rule 3 in the corresponding Model International Forms (document STLT/WG/1/3, paragraph 5).

5. The entry into force of the amendments to Rule 3 on November 1, 2011, calls for the review of Model International Form No.1. This work would be best undertaken by a Working Group to be established for that purpose. That Working Group could meet back-to-back with the twenty-seventh session of the SCT (to be tentatively held in the first half of 2012) and base its deliberations on a working document to be prepared by the Secretariat.

6. Contracting Parties to the Singapore Treaty would be invited to attend the Working Group as members; WIPO Members not party to the Singapore Treaty and WIPO observers would be invited to attend the session of that Working Group as observers. If the Working Group can reach agreement on possible amendments to Model International Form No.1, those amendments could be forwarded to the Assembly for adoption at the 2012 meeting of the Assemblies of Member States of WIPO.

7. *The Assembly is invited:*

*(i) to consider the initiation of a review of Model International Form No. 1, as outlined in paragraph 5, above; and*

*(ii) to approve the convening of one session of a Working Group to meet back-to-back with the twenty-seventh session of the SCT, as set out in paragraph 5, above.*

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