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May 13, 2008

Re: Name change for Moldova in WIPO Standard ST.3

Madam,
Sir,

The International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) would like to inform your Office that the Maintenance Agency for International Standard ISO 3166 (ISO 3166/MA) has published ISO 3166-1 Newsletter VI-2, dated April 8, 2008, announcing the replacement of the short country name Republic of Moldova with Moldova, keeping the same alpha-2 code MD to represent the name of the country. The said announcement is available at:

http://www.iso.org/iso/iso3166-1_newsletter_vi-2.pdf

In view of the above, the International Bureau would like to propose, for the consideration of your Office, the following changes in WIPO Standard ST.3:

The current entry for the Republic of Moldova (English)/ République de Moldova (French) / República de Moldova (Spanish) should be changed to Moldova (English, French and Spanish); the two-letter code MD remains unchanged.

For your information, WIPO Standard ST.3 is available on the WIPO website at:

<http://www.wipo.int/standards/en/pdf/03-03-01.pdf>

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You are kindly requested to inform the International Bureau by June 13, 2008, of your agreement or otherwise to the above-mentioned proposal and the revision of WIPO Standard ST.3. It would be appreciated if your reply could be sent to the International Bureau, by e-mail, to *scit.mail@wipo.int*, unless you are unable to do so, in which case you may send your reply on paper by post or using the fax number +41 22 338 7210.

In the event that no communication is received by the above-mentioned date, the International Bureau will consider that your Office has no objection to the said proposal and will amend WIPO Standard ST.3 accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in green ink, appearing to read 'Francis Gurry', is written over a faint, light-colored rectangular stamp or watermark.

Francis Gurry
Deputy Director General