

Antigua & Barbuda Intellectual Property & Commerce Office

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Model Form 3A: <u>Total</u> Provisional Refusal of Protection (Rule 17(1) of the Common Regulations)

I.	Office making the notification:
	Antigua & Barbuda Intellectual Property & Commerce Office
II.	Number of the international registration:
	1321319
III.	Name of the holder:
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IV.	Information concerning the type of provisional refusal:
	Please indicate the type of refusal by checking only one of the following options:
	Total provisional refusal based on an ex officio examination
	Total provisional refusal based on an opposition
	Total provisional refusal based on both an ex officio examination and an opposition
	Where the refusal is based on an opposition, please indicate the name and address of the opponent:
	(i) Name of the opponent:
o	(ii) Address of the opponent:

V. Information concerning the scope of the provisional refusal:

Total provisional refusal affects all the godos and/or services: YES

VI. Grounds for refusal [(where applicable, see item VII)]:

Section 3(2)(i) of the Trademark Act states that a mark cannot be validly registered if it is incapable of distinguishing the goods or services of one enterprise from those of other enterprises;

The Registry is requesting the acronyms 'TNI' of the mark.

- VII. Information relating to an earlier mark:
 - (i) Filing date and number, and, if any, priority date:
 - (ii) Registration date and number (if available):
 - (iii) Name and address of the owner:
 - (iv) Reproduction of the mark:
 - (v) List of the relevant goods and/or services (this list may be in the language of the earlier application or registration):
- VIII. Corresponding essential provisions of the applicable law:

Section 3(2)(i) of the Antigua and Barbuda Trademark Act

- IX. Information relating to the possibility to request a review or file an appeal:
 - (i) Time limit for requesting review or appeal: Two months from the date of notification sent to the IB.
 - (ii) Authority to which such request for review or appeal should be made:

 Antigua and Barbuda Intellectual Property & Commerce Office.
 - (iii) Whether the request for review or appeal has to be filed in a specific language and/or through the intermediary of a representative whose address is within the territory of the Contracting Party: The Trademark Act at Section 18 states that where an applicant's ordinary residence or principal of business is outside of Antigua, shall be respresented by a registered agent resident and practicing in Antigua & Barbuda before the registrar of Intellectual Property Office. The procedure for registration of agent shall be precribed in the regulations.

Section 31 of the Antigua and Barbuda Trademark Regualtions states that

	the local attorney-at-law or agent admitted to represent clients before the Intellectual Property & Commerce Office may appointed as a agent.
	(iv) Other requirements, if any:
X.	Signature or official seal of the Office making the notification:
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XI.	Date of the notification to the International Bureau:
	March 23rd, 2018

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