

Model Form 8

MADRID AGREEMENT AND PROTOCOL
COMPLETION OF EX OFFICIO EXAMINATION
– INTERIM STATUS OF A MARK –


Rule 18bis(1)(a) and (b)

This form is to be used in the following situation: the Office confirms that ex officio examination has been completed, but protection of the mark is still subject to possible opposition or observations by third parties.

NOTE: This statement may optionally be sent by an Office following ex officio examination, including in situations where the Office had notified a provisional refusal, but ex officio procedure has been completed favorably for the holder.

If, following the present statement, opposition is filed, or observations leading to a refusal are filed, a Provisional Refusal of Protection (Model Form 3) should be sent in due course.

If no opposition is filed or no observations leading to a refusal are filed, the present statement should be followed by a Statement of Grant of Protection (Model Form 4 or, where the mark had first been the subject of an ex officio provisional refusal, but the ex officio procedure has been completed favorably for the holder, Model Form 5).

I.	Office sending the statement: ZIMBABWE INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY OFFICE (ZIPO)
II.	Number of the international registration: 1028240
III.	Name of the holder (or other information enabling the identity of the international registration to be confirmed): Apple Inc. 1 Infinite Loop Cupertino, CA 95014, U.S.A.
IV.	A notification of provisional refusal: <input type="checkbox"/> has not been communicated by the Office (Rule 18bis(1)(a)) <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the Office (Rule 18bis(1)(b))
V.	(a) Date on which the opposition period, or the period for the filing of observations, begins: 31/05/2018 (b) Date on which the opposition period, or the period for the filing of observations, ends: 31/07/2018
VI.	Signature or official seal of the Office communicating the information:  <hr/> Glenda Mutasa for Controller of Patents, Trademarks and Industrial Designs
VII.	Date : 24th day of May, 2018