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# NOTIFICATION OF A PROVISIONAL REFUSAL OF PROTECTION OF AN INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION DESIGNATING CAMBODIA Rule 17(1)

International Registration No: 1339972

IR Date (Filing Date):

January 19, 2017

Applicant:

Apple Inc. (whose legal address is 1 Infinite Loop Cupertino CA 95014, United

States of America)

Mark:

RETINA

<u>This is a provisional refusal based on ex-officio examination.</u> The issues listed below prevent the Department of Intellectual Property Rights from granting the registration of the mark for <u>all the goods and/or services</u> covered by the international registration.

### Grounds for the provisional refusal:

#### Identical with a mark for related goods or services

It is identical with a mark belonging to a different proprietor and which has an earlier filing or priority date for related goods or services. Please refer to the attached list of cited marks.

#### Article 4: A mark cannot be validly registered:

(g) if it is identical with a mark belonging to a different proprietor and already on the Register, or with an earlier filing or priority date, in respect of the same goods or services or closely related goods or services, or if it so nearly resembles such a mark as to be likely to deceive or cause confusion.

Application No. Registration No.	KH/52245/13 KH/46970/13	Filing Date Registration Date	24/06/2013 29/08/2013
Applicant / Registrant	PROFESSIONAL IT GROUP CO., LTD 30, Russian Federation Blvn, Sangkat Phsar Depo II, Khan Tuol Kork, Phnom Penh, Cambodia		
Representative / TM Agent			
Priority Claim			

Reproduction of Mark	Retina Stylized  Retina
Class(es)	Class 9: Security camera, camera, batteries, batteries for pocket lamps, battery boxes, battery chargers, battery jars, beacons, luminous, alarm bells, electric bells, bells [warning devices] and betatrons.

#### Information relating to subsequent procedure:

The applicant must respond in writing to this provisional refusal within sixty (60) days from receipt of the notification of this refusal from the International Bureau (IB). The response must be filed by a duly authorized resident representative in Cambodia. The representative must be appointed pursuant to Article 58 of the Law Concerning Marks, Trade Names and Acts of Unfair Competition and Article 28 of the Sub-Decree on the Implementation of the TM Law.

Pursuant to Article 17(2) of the Sub-Decree on the Implementation of the Trademark Law, the applicant or holder, through the duly authorized representative, must submit the legal arguments, the required amendments or modifications, disclaimers (on any element(s) of the mark) or limitations required within the prescribed period.

In the alternative and in accordance with Article 17(3) of the Sub-Decree on the Implementation of the Trademark Law, the holder, through the duly authorized representative, may submit a written request for a hearing to the Registrar. Upon receiving this request, the Registrar shall notify the applicant, in writing, at least one month before the date on which the applicant will be invited to be heard.

Failure to respond to the provisional refusal within the required period will result in the abandonment of the international registration.

If, after the holder's written response or hearing, the Registrar accepts the mark according to Article 19(1), the mark will be registered and the statement of grant of protection will be issued. The registered mark will then be published for opposition for a period of 90 days.

However, if after considering the applicant's response or hearing, the Registrar still refuses the registration of the mark, the applicant may, pursuant to Article 18(1), within one (1) month from the date of the communication from the Registrar, request the confirmation of the decision and the materials referred to in the decision. Under Article 18(2), the applicant may then appeal the Registrar's decision to the Appeal Board of the Ministry of Commerce or the competent court within three (3) months from the date of the decision.

All responses or communication should be addressed to: Department of Intellectual Property Rights Ministry of Commerce, Lot 19-61 113 B, Sangkat Teuk Thia Khan Sen Sok, Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

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Chief of Bureau of International Marks Registration