

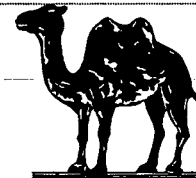
Notification of Provisional Refusal based on an Ex Officio Examination (to WIPO)

Pursuant to Rule 17(2) of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement concerning the international registration of marks and the Protocol relating to that Agreement.

I. Name and address of the Office making the notification:

Norwegian Industrial Property Office	Telephone:	+47 22 38 73 00
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II. International registration: 1439058



III. Date of Subsequent Designation (if any):(yyyy.mm.dd)

IV. Holder of the international registration:

Guangdong Camel apparel Co., Ltd, Ganjiao Shangjie Village 9, Lishui, Nanhai District,
FOSHAN CITY, GUANGDONG PROVINCE, Kina

V. The scope of the refusal:

☐ **Provisional refusal for all goods and/or services**

☒ **Provisional partial refusal for some of the goods - see under X**

VI. Grounds for refusal:

☒ **Absolute grounds: Trademark Act Section 14** - The trademark is considered to be devoid of any distinctive character and/or it can be used in trade to designate the goods in question.

It consists of signs or indications, which may serve to describe significant characteristics of the goods claimed in the international registration. The figurative mark depicts a drawn image of a camel. When applied to "fleece wool" in class 22, it indicates the kind and quality of the goods, namely fleece wool made from camel wool. Consequently, the mark needs to be kept free for commercial use for others, and must be refused.

☐ **Relative grounds:**

Likelihood of confusion with:

VII. The relevant provisions of the Norwegian Trademarks Act are under XII.

VIII. Date of provisional refusal: (yyyy.mm.dd) **2019.08.16**

Response must be received within: (yyyy.mm.dd) **2019.11.16**

See more information under XI about the time limit and which actions you need to take if you want to request a review of the provisional refusal.

IX. Signature by the Office:

THE NORWEGIAN INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY OFFICE

Elisa Bischoff

X. Scope of the provisional refusal in respect of goods and/or services:

If the holder does not contest the refusal within 3 months, protection is given for:

Class 22 *limited to*: Packing string; fishing nets; vehicle covers [not fitted]; hammocks; tents; awnings; Mongolian yurt; bags [envelopes, pouches] of textile, for packaging; wadding for filtering.

The international registration will be published for protection with the above-reduced list of goods/services.

Rapid publication of the limited list

If the holder accepts the proposed limitation of the goods/services, and wishes a publication of the mark for these goods/services as soon as possible, he/she may confirm this in writing to The Norwegian Industrial Property Office. If The Norwegian Industrial Property Office does not receive any such confirmation from the holder, the mark will however be published for protection of the limited list of goods/services, after the expiry of all the time limits.

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- XI.** The holder of the registration may request a review of the provisional refusal. The Norwegian Industrial Property Office must receive the request no later than 3 months from the date of this provisional refusal (The time limit is indicated under point VIII). Such request must provide an address of correspondence and be filed in Norwegian, Danish, Swedish or English. The Norwegian Industrial Property Office will respond in Norwegian. Please note that if The Norwegian Industrial Property Office, either subsequent to review or appeal, accept the designation of Norway, a post grant opposition may be filed against the mark within 3 months from the publication of the mark.

If the holder does not respond to this provisional refusal within the time limit, the international registration shall be considered abandoned in Norway for the goods/services that are excluded (Trademark Act Section 70 and 23). The international registration shall be resumed if the holder, within two months from the expiration of the time limit responds to the provisional refusal and pays the stipulated fee (NOK 550,-). Please note that The Norwegian Industrial Property Office does not send any notifications to the holder that the international registration is abandoned in Norway.

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- XII.** See the relevant provisions of the Norwegian Trademarks Act regarding the grounds of this provisional refusal on our home page:
<https://www.patentstyret.no/en/services/trademarks/rules-and-regulations-trademarks/trademarks-act/>