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Please reply by **14 September 2020** quoting the International Registration number

Dear Sir/Madam,

Intl Reg No: WO0000001527944

Mark: PARIS 2024 (Figurative)

Holder: Comité International Olympique

Classes: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45

Notification of a Provisional Total Refusal of Protection (not based on an opposition) by the Intellectual Property Office

I have examined your designation under the Trade Marks Act 1994 and carried out a search of the relevant trade mark registers. Your designation does not appear to meet the requirements for Protection for the following reason.

Absolute grounds for refusal

The application is not acceptable as there is an objection under Section 3(4) and 3(5) of the Trade Marks Act. This is because the mark consists of, or contains, a specially protected emblem. The device of the Olympic rings is protected under the Olympic symbol, etc (Protection) Act 1995 as amended by the London Olympic Games and Paralympic games Act 2006, which came into force on 30 March 2006.

This objection may be overcome by supplying written consent from the owner, The British Olympic Association, to use and register the emblem.

Next steps

If you disagree with my assessment of your designation, you can write or telephone me. My contact details are shown at the top of this letter.

If following this discussion, you still disagree with my findings you have the right to request a hearing with a senior officer to discuss the matter further.

If your address is outside of the European Community, the Isle of Man or the European Economic Area you must provide us with a contact address in one of the above areas. This can be done by filling in and returning a form TM33 "Appointment of change of Representative (for trade mark owners or holders)". This form is available at:

ipo.gov.uk/tmforms

If the issues raised in the examination report is not resolved by the date shown above, the designation will be refused under the provisions of Section 37(4) of the Trade marks Act 1994.

Yours faithfully

Sarah Morris

Trade Marks Registry