

# INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE OF THE PHILIPPINES

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## The International Bureau

World Intellectual Property Organization 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20 Switzerland

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

International Registration No: **1513287** IR Date (Filing Date): 26 December 2019

Holder: Hanyuan County Sichuan Pepper Association [CN]

Mark: HANYUANHUAJIAO

Examiner: CHERRY MAE B. CABIGAO

Supervisor: MARITES Q. SALVIEJO

The mark has been examined, but the issues below prevent the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL) from granting the registration of the mark for **all the goods and/or services**.

## Registrability Issue(s):

• Submit copy of the Agreement governing the use of the mark.

**RULE 19. Collective Marks. -** Where an international registration designating the Philippines is a collective mark, a copy of the agreement governing the use of such collective mark shall be submitted directly by the holder of the international registration to the IPOPHL within two months from the date of international registration with the International Bureau. The international registration will not be examined unless the agreement is received by the IPOPHL.

#### Information relating to subsequent procedure:

The applicant must respond in writing to this refusal within two (2) months from the digital signature date found at the end of this notice. The response must be filed by a duly authorized representative with a local address in the Philippines (the list of agents in the Philippines is available on the IPOPHL website). Within the two (2) month-period, the applicant may request an extension of time of another two (2) months to respond to this provisional refusal. The request for extension must be filed by the applicant's local representative in the Philippines. The request for extension can only be made once.

Failure to respond to the provisional refusal, submission of an incomplete response, or failure to request an extension of time to respond within the two-month period will result in the abandonment of the application. In case of abandonment, the applicant has three (3) months from the abandonment date (counted from the lapse of the period to respond) to request the revival of the application. Failure to revive an abandoned application will result in its final abandonment and the confirmation of the total provisional refusal.

If the applicant is able to overturn the objections raised by the Examiner in the provisional refusal, the mark will be published for purposes of opposition. If no opposition to the registration of the mark is filed, the Office will issue a statement of grant of protection.

All responses or communications should be addressed to: THE DIRECTOR OF TRADEMARKS, Intellectual Property

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Office of the Philippines, 14/F Intellectual Property Center, No. 28 Upper McKinley Road, McKinley Hill Town Center, Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City 1634, Philippines.

#### Additional information:

The IPOPHL requires the submission of the Declaration of Actual Use (DAU) within three (3) years from the date of international registration or the date of subsequent designation, as the case may be; within one (1) year from the fifth anniversary of the date of grant of protection of the mark; within one (1) year from the renewal date; and within one (1) year from the fifth anniversary of each renewal. The provisions governing the filing of the DAU are contained in the Trademark Regulations of 2017.

Digitally Signed by IPO Philippines 16/08/2020 MARITES Q. SALVIEJO

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