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# PROTOCOL RELATING TO THE MADRID AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS

### PROVISIONAL REFUSAL OF PROTECTION

Notified to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) according to Article 5 of the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks

- 1. Office refusing protection: Intellectual Property Office of Singapore
- 2. International Registration Number: 610368
- 3. Name of holder of the International Registration:

#### IIC-INTERSPORT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION GMBH

- 4. The grounds for this refusal are indicated in the attached statement(s) of refusal. Where the refusal affects more than one class of goods and/or services, there is a separate statement of refusal for each class. Each statement of refusal contains a Singapore trade mark number for the particular class and a Singapore reference number (stated as "Our Ref" in the statement of refusal). The International Registration number, Singapore trade mark number, corresponding class number and Singapore reference number must be quoted in all correspondence with the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore.
- 5. The relevant provisions of Singapore law are attached.
- 6. This refusal applies to all the services in Class(es) 35 of the international registration.
- 7. The holder of the international registration may request for a review of this refusal. The request for review must be received by the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore no later than four (4) months from the date of this refusal.

The request for review must quote the International Registration number, relevant Singapore trade mark number(s), corresponding class number(s) and Singapore reference number(s). It must also be accompanied by an address for service in Singapore filed on Form TM 1. One Form TM 1 may be filed for all classes of goods and services in respect of which the request is made. However, where the request relates to more than one class number, the fee payable for the form will be eight fifty (8.50) Singapore dollars for each class number indicated. Each Form TM 1 must contain the relevant Singapore Trade Mark number(s) and the corresponding class number(s).







The holder may request for an extension of time to respond to the refusal by filing Form TM 49. There is no fee for the filing of this form. However, one Form TM 49 must be filed for every class of goods or services in respect of which the request is made. The International Registration number, relevant Singapore trade mark number, corresponding class number and Singapore reference number must be quoted on each Form TM 49.

Both Form TM 1 and Form TM 49 can be obtained from the web site of the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore at http://www.ipos.gov.sg/intell/tminfo3.html.

If the holder does not file a request for review together with the completed Form(s) TM 1 and the relevant fee or does not file the completed Form(s) TM 49 by 30 September 2006, this refusal will become final.

8. Please note that a further refusal of protection may result from an opposition, which may be filed after the expiry of 18 months from the date on which the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore was notified of the international registration.

This applies to all the services in Class(es) 35 of the international registration.

9. Date of refusal: 31 May 2006

10. This refusal is issued by:

Ho Sok Yin (Miss)

Assistant Registrar for Registrar of Trade Marks

Singapore

Examiner's direct line : (65) 63302765

#### PROVISIONS OF SINGAPORE LAW

## TRADE MARKS ACT (CHAPTER 332)

## Section 2(1) Interpretation

"earlier trade mark" means -

- (a) a registered trade mark or international trade mark (Singapore), the application for registration of which was made earlier that the trade mark in question, taking account (where appropriate) of the priorities claimed in respect of the trade marks; or
- (b) a trade mark which, at the date of application for registration of the trade mark in question or (where appropriate) of the priority claimed in respect of the application, was entitled to protection under the Paris Convention or the TRIPS Agreement as a well known trade mark,

and includes a trade mark in respect of which an application for registration has been made and which, if registered, would be an earlier trade mark by virtue of paragraph (a) subject to its being so registered.

### Section 8 Relative grounds for refusal of registration

- (1) A trade mark shall not be registered if it is identical with an earlier trade mark and the goods or services for which the trade mark is sought to be registered are identical with the goods or services for which the earlier trade mark is registered.
- (2) A trade mark shall not be registered if because -
  - (a) it is identical with an earlier trade mark and is to be registered for goods or services similar to those for which the earlier trade mark is protected; or
  - (b) it is similar to an earlier trade mark and is to be registered for goods or services identical with or similar to those for which the earlier trade mark is protected,

there exists a likelihood of confusion on the part of the public.

### STATEMENT OF REFUSAL

Our Ref: EXS/D1934181/tmhsy

M/S IIC-INTERSPORT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION GMBH Obere Zollgasse 75, CH-3072 Ostermundigen, Switzerland.

**Dear Sirs** 

Singapore Trade Mark No T05/23812C in Class 35 International Registration No 610368 IIC-INTERSPORT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION GMBH

We refer to the above.

The mark is objectionable under section 8 of the Trade Marks Act (Cap. 332, 1999 Ed.) as it is in conflict with the following trade mark(s):

Trade Mark No	International Reg No	Class	Mark Status	Trade Mark
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T99/00948D		35	REG	

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Ho Sok Yin (Miss) Assistant Registrar for Registrar of Trade Marks Singapore (Tel: 63302765)

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Registration Procedure

: T99/00948D TM No : Trade Mark : 35 Application Type

Class

Part

Converted Application : N

: 04/02/1999 Application Date

Mark Lodged in Colour : N

Mark Status : Registered : 04/02/1999 Mark Status Date Publication Status : Published : 31/03/2000 Publication Date

Opposition Status Revocation Status

Invalidation Status

: 11/07/2000 Cert Despatched Date : 04/02/2009

Expire Date 3-dimensional shape

Aspect of packaging Colour(s) as a trade mark Other Non-conventional Mark:

Description of Particular Feature(s) of Mark Nil.

Priority Details

Nil.

Replacement Application under Madrid Protocol Nil.

Transformation Application under Madrid Protocol \_\_\_\_\_ Nil.

MARK INDEX

noius in Mark : INTERSPORTS INTER SPORTS
Device Description :
Phonetic Fourier? Phonetic Equivalent : Translation Transliteration

SPECIFICATION OF GOODS AND SERVICES

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Retail store services included in Class 35.

Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, Ministry of Law, Singapore

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#### APPLICANT/PROPRIETOR DETAILS \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Code : CO171325H
Company : SPORTS LINK HOLDINGS PTE LTD
Constitution : A COMPANY
Country : SINGAPORE

State

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Address

713 ANG MO KIO AVENUE 6

#01-4040

Singapore 560713

MARK CLAUSES -----

Nil.

AGENT/ADDRESS FOR SERVICE

S/No Agent/AFS Name/Address \_\_\_\_\_\_

YEO WONG & THIAN 78 SHENTON WAY

#32-00

Singapore 079120

Action Representing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Application & registration

CORRECTION RECORDS

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Nil.