MADRID AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION OF MARKS AND PROTOCOL RELATING TO THAT AGREEMENT STATEMENT OF GRANT OF PROTECTION

Sent to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in accordance with Rule 17(6) of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement and Protocol

I. Office sending the statement: Hungarian Patent Office

1370 Budapest, Pf.552 Fax. :(361) 3329 -930

II. Number of the international registration: 100 1397

Extention of the mark to Hungary:

2008.11.18

III. Name of the holder of the international registration:

FOODCARE SPÓŁKA Z O.O. W ZABIERZOWIE

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x The *ex officio* examination in respect of this international registration has been completed and no grounds for refusal have been found; however the protection of the mark can be still subject to opposition or observations from third parties; the opposition period will start on 2009.12.14 and will expire on 2010.03.14 (Rule 17(6)(ii))

The Office notes that an ex officio search for significants prior rights was carried out according to Article 60 of the Act XI of 1997. The enclosed search report is notified to the holder of the mark.

The opposition period in respect of this international registration has expired without any opposition being filed; protection is accordingly granted to the mark that is the subject of the international registration (Rule 17(6)(iii))

V. Date of the statement: 2009.10.20 Jánosi Katalin

VI. Signature or official seal of the Office sending the statement:

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- A International trademark application
- B Citation(s)
- 111 Registration number
- 210 Application number
- 220 Filing date
- 320 Priority date
- Reproduction of the mark where it is represented in standard characters
- 511 Nice classes
- N national trademark, INT international trademark (Madrid Agreement or Protocol) CTM –Community trademark, (including trademark applications)

Search performed by: Jánosi Katalin

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541	FITELLA	FITELLA					
Pending, valid	 						
210	220	320	750				
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182245	2004-01-21	_*_	32	National		FINELLA
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111/210	220	320	511	750	550	541
358749	1969-07-30	_*_	30	Int.		FINELLA
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111/210	220	320	511	750	550	541
572738	1991-06-17	1991-02-08	30	Int.		MITELLA
				Mark		
111/210	220	320	511	750	550	541
635041	1995-01-24	_*_	29,32	Int.		INTELLA
				Mark		

Data of national and international trademarks: http://pipacsweb.hpo.hu/
CTM data: http://oami.eu.int
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Act XI of 1997 on the Protection of Trademarks and Geographical Indications (extract)

Article 1(1) Trademark protection shall be granted for any signs capable of being represented graphically provided that these are capable of distinguishing goods or services from those of other undertakings.

- (2) Signs which may be granted trademark protection are in particular:
- (a) words, combination of words, including personal names and slogans,
- (b) letters, numerals,
- (c) figures, pictures,
- (d) two- or three-dimensional forms, including the shape of goods or of their packaging,
- (e) colors, combination of colors, light signals, holograms,
- (f) sound signals, and
- (g) combination of signs under (a) to (f).
- Article 2 (1) A sign may not be granted trademark protection if it does not meet the requirements of Article 1.
 - (2) A sign shall be excluded from trademark protection if:
- (a) it is devoid of any distinctive character, in particular if it consists exclusively of signs or indications which may serve, in trade, to designate the kind, quality, quantity, intended purpose, value, geographical origin or the time of production of the goods or of rendering of the service, or other characteristics of the goods or services, or which have become customary in the current language or in the practices of trade:
- (b) it consists exclusively of a shape which results from the nature of the goods themselves or which is necessary to obtain a technical result or which gives substantial value to the goods.
- (3) A sign shall not be excluded from trademark protection in accordance with paragraph (2)(a) if, either before or after the date of priority, it has acquired a distinctive character.

Article 3 (1) A sign may not be granted trademark protection if:

- (a) it is contrary to public policy or to accepted principles of morality;
- (b) it is liable to deceive consumers as to the nature, quality, geographical origin or other characteristics of the goods or services;
- (c) its registration was applied for in bad faith.
- (2) A sign shall be excluded from trademark protection if:
- (a) it consists exclusively of State emblems or other emblems of an authority or international organization as defined in the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property;
- (b) it relates to medals, badges, armorial bearings, not covered by subparagraph (a) above, or to official signs and hallmarks indicating control and warranty which are of public interest;
 - (c) it consists of symbols having a close relation to religious or other beliefs.
- (3) Trademark protection shall be granted with the consent of the competent authority to signs of which the emblems defined under paragraph 2 (a) and (b) form only an element.
- (4) A sign may not be granted trademark protection if it consists of or contains a geographical indication registered pursuant to this Act or to European Community law. This provision shall apply to goods which do not originate in a geographical area corresponding to the geographical indication or in connection with which the geographical indication cannot be used for any other reason on the basis of the provisions of this Act or of European Community law.
- Article 4 (1) A sign may not be granted trademark protection:
 - (a) with respect to identical goods or services, if the sign with the later date of priority is identical with an earlier trademark;
- (b) if because of its identity with or similarity to the earlier trademark and the identity or similarity of the goods or services there exists a likelihood of confusion on the part of the consumers;
- (c) with respect to dissimilar goods or services if the sign with the later date of priority is identical with or similar to an earlier trademark having a reputation in the country where the use without due cause of the later sign would take unfair advantage of or be detrimental to the distinctive character or the repute of the earlier trademark.
- (2) "Earlier trademark" means a trademark whose registration was applied for with an earlier date of priority or for the purposes of paragraph (1)(a) and (b) a sign which has become well-known at an earlier date in the country under the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property even if that sign is not registered. "Earlier trademark" shall also mean depending on the registration of the sign an earlier trademark application.
- (3) A sign may not be refused trademark protection if it conflicts with an earlier trademark, which has not been used by the holder in accordance with the provisions of Article 18.
 - (4) For the purposes of this Act, the likelihood of confusion includes the likelihood of association with the earlier trademark.
- Article (5) A sign may not be granted trademark protection:
 - (a) if it would infringe earlier personal rights of others, in particular a right in a name or of personal portrayal;
- (b) if it would conflict with an earlier copyright or industrial property right of others, including conflict with the name of a protected plant variety.
 - (2) A sign shall not be granted trademark protection
- (a) if it has been used effectively in the country without registration where the use of the sign without the consent of the prior user would be contrary to law; and
- (b) if, with respect to identical or similar goods or services, it is identical with or similar to a trademark whose protection has lapsed by reason of expiration and less than two years have elapsed since the lapse, unless the earlier trademark had not been used in conformity with the provisions of Article 18.
- (3) In determining whether a right, use or expiration is deemed as earlier within the meaning of paragraphs (1) and (2), the priority of the application for registration shall be taken into account.
- Article (6) A sign shall be excluded from trademark protection if the representative or agent applies for registration in his own name without the holder's authorization, unless the representative or agent justifies his action.
 - Article 7(1) A sign may not be refused trademark protection in accordance with Articles 4 and 5 if the holder of the earlier right consents to the registration of the later sign.
 - (2) A declaration of consent shall be valid if drawn up as a public instrument or a private document providing sufficient evidence.
- (3) A declaration of consent may be contested under those provisions of the Civil Code that concern actions for avoidance of a contract by reason of mistake, deception or threat; the declaration may not be withdrawn and may not be replaced by the decision of a Court. Article 8(1) Trademark protection shall be granted for a sign if
- (a) it satisfies the requirements of Article 1 and is not excluded from trademark protection under the terms of Articles 2 to 7 and
 - (b) the relevant application complies with the requirements laid down by this Act.