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Pursuant to article 17 of the Law on the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Official Journal of BiH, volumes 30/03, 42/03, 81/06, 76/07, 81/07 and 24/08), article 7 of the Act Establishing the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Official Journal of BiH, volume 43/04) and item 8.2.4. of the Development Strategy of the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina (2008-2015) (Official Journal of BiH, volume 69/09), upon the recommendation by the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina passed at the 124<sup>th</sup> session, held on June 10, 2010

## **DECISION**

### **ON CONSTITUTING THE COUNCIL FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROTECTION**

#### Article 1

(Subject Matter of the Decision)

The Council for Intellectual Property Protection (hereinafter: the Council) is constituted under this Decision as an advisory and coordinating body of the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina (hereinafter: the Institute).

#### Article 2

(Role of the Council)

(1) The Council shall be responsible for:

- a) preparing methodology for the collection of information on sanctioning the infringements of intellectual property rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina by courts, inspectorates and customs;
- b) introducing a system for the collection of information on sanctioning the infringements of intellectual property rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina by courts, inspectorates and customs;
- c) concentration and analysis of information on the administrative and judicial sanctioning of the infringements of intellectual property rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina for the purpose of the publishing thereof in the form of annual reports;
- d) analysis of the experience of courts, inspectorates and customs in sanctioning the infringements of intellectual property rights;

- e) contact with persons who suffer most from piracy and trade in counterfeit goods in Bosnia and Herzegovina for the purpose of collecting suggestions for more efficient sanctioning of infringements of intellectual property rights;
- f) following up on relevant annual reports on the evaluation of the spread of piracy and trade in counterfeit goods in Bosnia and Herzegovina drafted by international governmental and non-governmental agencies;
- g) following up on initiatives and processes in the world, in particular in the European Union, aimed at combating piracy and trade in counterfeit goods;
- h) dealing with the harmonization of the practice in suppressing piracy and trade in counterfeit goods in Bosnia and Herzegovina with the practice in the European Union;
- i) initiating promotional activities aimed at the suppression of piracy and trade in counterfeit goods.

(2) The Council shall come up with the periodic work plan.

### Article 3 (Membership)

(1) The Council consists of 15 members.

(2) The Council is composed of the representatives of the following institutions:

- a) Institute for Intellectual property of Bosnia and Herzegovina – 2 representatives;
- b) Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations of Bosnia and Herzegovina – 2 representatives;
- c) Ministry of Justice of Bosnia and Herzegovina – 1 representative;
- d) Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina – State Investigation and Protection Agency (SIPA) – 1 representative;
- e) Indirect Taxation Authority of Bosnia and Herzegovina – 1 representative;
- f) High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina – 1 representative;

- g) Federal Administration for Inspection Issues - Inspectorate of Market-Tourism Inspection – 1 representative;
  - h) Republic Administration for Inspection Activities of Republika Srpska – 1 representative;
  - i) Inspectorate of Brčko District of Bosnia and Herzegovina – 1 representative;
  - j) Federal Ministry of Justice – 1 representative;
  - k) Ministry of Justice of Republika Srpska – 1 representative;
  - l) Ministry of Interior of Republika Srpska – 1 representative;
  - m) Federal Ministry of Interior – 1 representative;
  - n) Police of the Brčko District of Bosnia and Herzegovina – 1 representative.
- (3) Professional and administrative-technical work for the Council shall be carried out by the secretary of the Council who is employed with the Institute.

#### Article 4 (Term)

- (1) Council members are appointed to a five-year term.
- (2) Council members may be reappointed to the Council twice at the most.

#### Article 5 (Constitutive Meeting and Rules of Order and Procedure)

- (1) Constitutive meeting shall be convened by the Director of the Institute.
- (2) Constitutive meeting shall be held no later than 60 days after the day of coming into force of this decision.
- (3) The Council shall adopt the Rules of Order and Procedure and elect Chairman and Deputy Chairman at the constitutive meeting.
- (4) The Rules of Order and Procedure regulate the organization, manner of decision making and other issues of importance for the work of the Council.

Article 6  
(Costs)

The costs of the work of the Council members shall be borne by the institution which they represent.

Article 7  
(Professional and Administrative Support)

Professional and administrative support to the Council shall be provided by the Institute.

Article 8  
(Coming into Force)

This Decision shall come into force on the eighth day after the publishing thereof in the Official Journal of BiH.

Council of Ministers Number 175/10  
June 10, 2010  
Sarajevo

Chairman  
Council of Ministers of BiH  
Dr Nikola Špirić, signed