Madrid System in Mainland China

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Overview

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China became a member of Madrid Agreement

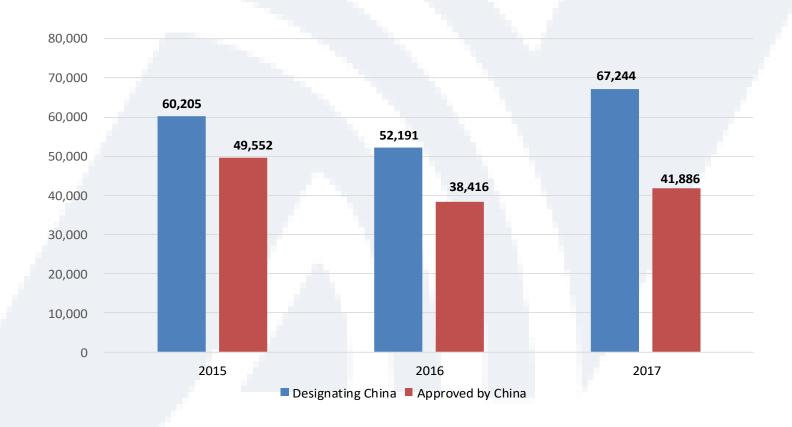
1995

China became a member of Madrid Protocol



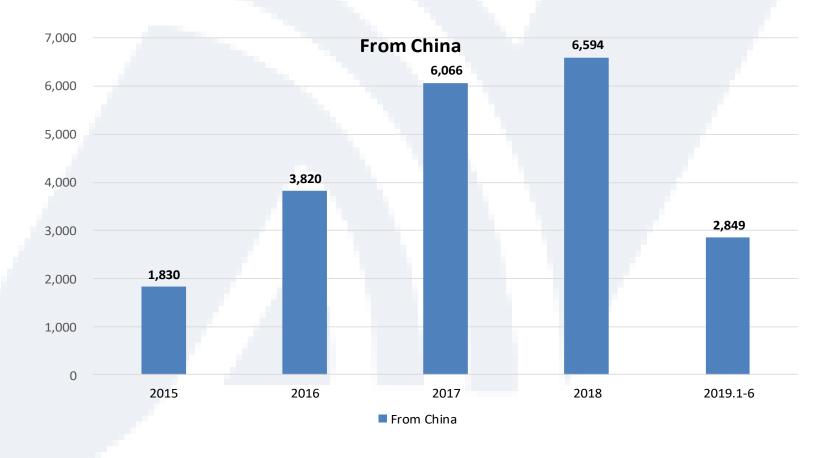


Madrid Applications Entering China





Madrid Applications from China





Overview

2018

China is the most active filing country in recent years. In 2018, the total filings through Madrid by Chinese applicants is 6594, a 72.6% increase comparing with 2016, ranked the third in the world, after US and Germany.







| Practical issues

Protected scope

Subclass system in deciding similarity among goods/services

No official action available for amending the goods/service names to fit the classification requirement of subclass system.

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power tools

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metal cutting machines



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handheld tools, other than hand operated



Practical issues

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STATEMENT OF GRANT OF PROTECTION

Notified to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) under with Rule 18ter (1) of the Common Regulations

I. Office which pronounces the Statement:

Trademark Office

State Administration for Industry and Commerce

1,Chama Nanjie, Xichengqu,

Beijing, 100055

People's Republic of China

Tel: 8610-63219000

Fax: 8610-68050285

II. Date of the statement pronounced: 2019/02/02

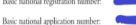
III. Our reference number:

IV. International registration number:



V. Date of notification to China: 2018/09/06

VI. Basic national registration number:



VII. Protection is granted to the mark that is the subject of this international registration for all the goods/services requested.



商标注册证明

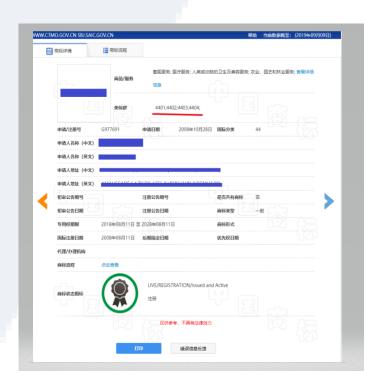
在第16类商品上使用的"TOOMPODE" 兹证明, 商标,已在我局注册。注册号为 60586666。有效期自2018年08月11日至2028 年08月11日。

核定使用商品/服务

第16类:不屬別类的紙、卡片、纸板及其制品:印刷品;书籍装订材料;照片;文具用品;文具或者家用粘合剂;美术用品;画笔;打字机和办公用品(家具除外);教育和教学用品(仪器除外);包装用塑料材料(不屬別类的);印刷铅字;印版(截止)

特此证明。







| Practical issues

No automatically issued registration certificate

For IR marks which extended to China, the China Intellectual Property Office does not issue registration certificate directly.

Applicants need to submit applications for issuing the certification of registration.



Practical Issues

Non-use cancellation procedure

- Direct Notification (with no clear deadline information) from CNIPA to registrant or registrant's agent recorded with WIPO
- No procedure available to record a local agency for a Madrid registration with CNIPA
- CNIPA will inform the local agent if any kind of application is filed with CNIPA for a Madrid registration through this local agent



Practical issues

Documents have to be submitted in appeal procedure

Applications for

Collective mark

Certification mark

Non-traditional mark



| A Milestone Case By Supreme Court in 2018

The Supreme Court Made a Public Hearing on the World IP Day of Dior's Three-dimensional Trademark Retrial Case Represented by NTD and Overturned the TRAB's Decision.







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Mark:

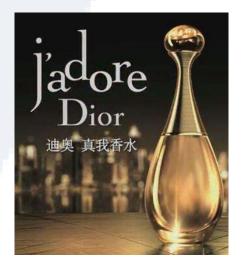


Class: 3

Goods: Perfumery, perfumes, eau de parfum, eau de toilette, eau-de-cologne, perfume extracts, scented body milks, scentced oils and lotions for the body, shower perfumed lotions, perfumed shower gels, bath lotions, scented gels for the bath, scented soaps, scented shampoos; make-up for the face, eyes and lips; nail and nail care products.

The nature of mark: Three-dimensional mark

Description of the mark: The mark is the form of fine and long " 8 ", for top with small a globe; the lower end is oval shape; of the circles. Long ornent gold.





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China Trademark Office ("CTMO") rejected the mark due to that the mark is not distinctive and the Trademark Review and Adjudication Board ("TRAB") maintained the decision of the CTMO.

The CTMO and TRAB incorrectly considered that the mark is a normal mark rather than a three-dimensional mark.

The courts of first and second instance did not issue decisions in the favor of Dior. Then, Dior filed retrial petition before the Supreme Court.



A Milestone Case By Supreme Court in 2018

The hearing mainly focused on two issues:

- whether the TRAB had procedural flaws in processing Dior's international application; and
- whether the 3D trademark for J'adore bottle is distinctive and registrable.





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After the court debate by both parties and an internal discussion by the collegial bench, the chief judge pronounced the judgment in court to: revoke the judgments made by the courts of the first and second instances, revoke the TRAB's decision, and demand the TRAB to make a new decision on this case. The judgment is final.

The court hearing also invited the envoys of relevant countries, news reporters at home and abroad and the public. After the trial the Counselor of French Embassy expressed his congratulations to NTD attorneys.





Thank You



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