MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION

The International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (hereinafter referred to as "the International Bureau") and the Secretariat of the Council of Interparliamentary Assembly of the Member States of the Commonwealth of Independent States (hereinafter referred to as "the Secretariat"),

Conscious of the great importance of protecting intellectual property rights and desiring to cooperate in the further upgrading of such protection in member States of the Commonwealth of Independent States, and

Guided by the provisions of their respective constituent documents,

Have agreed as follows:

- 1. The International Bureau and the Secretariat shall cooperate in promoting WIPO administered international treaties in the field of intellectual property protection among the member States of the Commonwealth of Independent States.
- 2. The International Bureau shall assist the Secretariat in developing model legislative enactments in the field of protection of intellectual property rights, including the evaluation of relevant drafts and participation in the discussion and further improvement thereof.
- 3. The International Bureau shall, as appropriate, within its existing resources, invite representatives of the Secretariat to participate in the WIPO regional events concerning intellectual property protection matters, such as the Academy, seminars, workshops, conferences and the like, organized for the member States of the Commonwealth of Independent States.

- 4. The Secretariat shall invite officials of the International Bureau to participate in the relevant events concerning intellectual property protection matters organized by the Secretariat for the member States of the Commonwealth of Independent States.
- 5. The International Bureau and the Secretariat shall, as appropriate, exchange their published information and periodicals in the field of the protection of intellectual property rights.
- 6. Representatives of the International Bureau and the Secretariat shall meet, where necessary, in order to discuss matters of mutual interest.

Done in two originals, each in Russian and English.

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