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Federation Des Industries
de la Parfumerie

v.

Ebel International Limited

George C. Pologeorgis, Interlocutory Attorney:

The parties' stipulation for continued suspension of these consolidated proceedings for settlement purposes and the concurrently filed status report of their settlement efforts filed on September 17, 2009 is noted.

By orders dated June 17, 2009 and July 30, 2009, the Board advised the parties that if the parties agree to any other type of extension or suspension for whatever purpose, they will be expected to report to the Board on the progress of their settlement negotiations. The Board further indicated that such report must include a recitation of

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issues that have been resolved, issues that remain to be resolved, and a firm timetable for resolution, and that absent such a report, any future motion to extend or suspend, even though agreed to by the parties, may not be granted.

A review of the joint status report submitted by the parties' on September 17, 2009 clearly does not satisfy the requirements set forth above, i.e., the report fails to address issues that have been resolved and a firm timetable for resolution of the entire matter, nor does the report demonstrate any significant progress regarding settlement from the last request to suspend for settlement filed on July 24, 2009.

In view thereof, the parties' stipulation requesting further suspension of these consolidated proceedings in order to continue settlement negotiations is **denied** without prejudice. No further requests for suspension or requests to extend trial dates will be considered by the Board unless a detailed report of the status of the parties' settlement negotiations is provided. Moreover, the parties are advised that the Board will carefully scrutinize such a

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report to ascertain whether the parties have made significant progress toward settlement and, if not, the Board may deny the request to suspend.

Trial dates remain as reset by Board order dated July 30, 2009.