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In the Matter of Application Serial No. 78/495,643  
For the mark GILLETTE VENUS  
Published in the Official Gazette on October 11, 2005

KELEMATA, S.P.A.,

Opposer

v.

THE GILLETTE COMPANY,

Applicant

Opposition No. 91169102

Hon. Commissioner for Trademarks  
Trademark Trial and Appeal Board  
P.O. Box 1451  
Arlington, VA 22313-1451

**APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION**

Applicant, The Gillette Company ("Applicant") hereby responds to the communication issued on May 22, 2012, by Rochelle Adams, Paralegal Specialist, in connection with the above referenced opposition.

A final decision has been reached by the Italian Court of Appeals in favor of The Gillette Company. Following that decision, Kelemata S.P.A. ("Opposer") filed an appeal to the Supreme Court.

Our Italian counsel estimates that the Supreme Court Appeal proceedings may take three to five years.

Accordingly, Applicant requests that the opposition proceeding remain suspended pending the outcome of the civil proceeding between the parties.

Should the Board require further information regarding the status of the proceeding that necessitated the suspension, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date: May 29, 2012

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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION has this 29 day of May, 2012, been served by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, to the following counsel of record for the Opposer:

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