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In re Trademark Application Serial No. : 90716116
For the Mark : GOPIO INTERNATIONAL
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GICC
Filed : May 17, 2021
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CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE INTERNATIONALE

Opposer,

Vs

Opposition No. 91283980

Global Organization of People of Indian Origin Inc.

Applicant.

CONSENTED MOTION TO AMEND TRADEMARK

Now comes Applicant, Global Organization of People of Indian Origin Inc. (GOPIO) DBA GOPIO International Chamber of Commerce (GICC) (hereinafter “GOPIO”), and submits this motion for amendment of the subject trademark. Opposer’s attorney has consented to this amendment.

GOPIO hereby requests that the subject trademark be amended to delete “CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GICC”. The modified trademark will then be “GOPIO INTERNATIONAL”. This is not believed to be a material alteration. The Trademark Manual of Examination Procedure states that the deletion of the generic name of the goods or services would not generally be considered a material alteration. TMEP 807.14(a) (July 2022). GOPIO is the dominant portion of the original mark. Thus, the modified mark contains the essence of the original mark. “CHAMBER OF COMMERCE” is a generic phrase that was required to be disclaimed, and thus, removal of this phrase does not change the essence of the mark. “GICC” is merely the acronym for “GOPIO INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE”, and removal of this redundant portion of the mark does not change the essence of the mark.

The verified specimen of use that was filed on July 5, 2022 for the subject trademark application supports the proposed amendment and remains as a suitable specimen of use for the modified mark. In addition, Exhibit A-1 is a current specimen of use, namely, an excerpt from the website located at <http://www.gopio.net/gicc.htm>, accessed on August 31, 2023. The specimen was in use in commerce at least as early as the filing date of the application (see Exhibit A-2: an excerpt from the Internet Archive Wayback Machine for <http://www.gopio.net/gicc.htm> on June 27, 2020).

Enclosed as Exhibit 2 is a drawing of the amended mark.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT 2

DRAWING OF THE AMENDED MARK:

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