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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

January 25, 2022

**VIA EMAIL**

**Re: *Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request No. F-22-00034***

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) FOIA Office has received your e-mail dated Tuesday, November 2, 2021 requesting a copy of the following documents pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552:

[E]ach Memorandum of Understanding (MoA) and each Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) and each interagency agreement regarding the USPTO Intellectual Property Protection and Enforcement Program. This would include, for example, agreements with other federal agencies such as the Customs and Border Protection (CBP). You may limit this request to current agreements.

On November 23, 2021, you modified your original request limiting the request to just a list of the MOU/MOAs.

The USPTO identified a document that is responsive to your request. A copy of this material is enclosed.

You may contact the FOIA Public Liaison at 571-272-9585 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Your request is considered complete with full disclosure. However, you have the right to appeal this initial decision to the Deputy General Counsel, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. An appeal must be



received within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. See 37 C.F.R. § 102.10(a). The appeal must be in writing. You must include a copy of your original request, this letter, and a statement of the reasons why the information should be made available and why this initial denial is in error. Both the letter and the envelope must be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal."

The processing fee was less than \$20.00, and is hereby waived.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charletta Blackshear".

Charletta Blackshear  
USPTO FOIA Specialist  
Office of General Law



Current USPTO Agreements Related to Intellectual Property Protection and Enforcement Program	
Partner Agency	Title
Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of India (DPIIT)	Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the USPTO, Department of Commerce of the United States of America and the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of India for the Cooperation in the Field of Intellectual Property
Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (SAIP)	MOU on Bilateral Cooperation in the Area of Intellectual Property between the USPTO and SAIP
European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO)	MOU on Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and the European Union Intellectual Property Office
National Registry of Industrial Property of Costa Rica (RN)	MOU between the USPTO and the National Registry of Industrial Property of Costa Rica
Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOP HL)	MOU on Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines
Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB)	MOU on Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and the Uganda Registration Services Bureau
African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)	MOU on Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)
National Council to Combat Piracy and Crime Against Intellectual Property of Brazil (CNCP)	MOU between the USPTO and the National Council to Combat Piracy and Crime Against Intellectual Property of Brazil
Judicial Branch of Peru	MOU between the USPTO and the Judicial Branch of Peru
National Institute of Industrial Property of Brazil (INPI-Brazil)	MOU between the USPTO and the National Institute of Industrial Property of Brazil
Department of Intellectual Property of the Kingdom of Bhutan (DoIP)	MOU on Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and the Department of Intellectual Property of the Kingdom of Bhutan
Japan Patent Office (JPO)	Memorandum of Cooperation between the USPTO and JPO on Cooperation in the Field of Industrial Designs



Directorate General of Intellectual Property (DGIP) of the Ministry of Law and Human Rights of Indonesia	MOU on Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and the Directorate General of Intellectual Property (DGIP) of the Ministry of Law and Human Rights of Indonesia
Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM)	Memorandum of Agreement between the USPTO and the Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM)
German Patent and Trade Mark Office (DPMA)	Joint MOU on Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and the German Patent and Trade Mark Office (DPMA)
National Institute of Intellectual Property of Argentina (INPI-Argentina)	MOU between the USPTO and the National Institute of Intellectual Property of Argentina (INPI-Argentina)
European Patent Office (EPO)	MOU between the USPTO and EPO on Bilateral Cooperation
National Institute of Intellectual Property of Chile (INAPI)	MOU between the USPTO and the National Institute of Intellectual Property of Chile (INAPI)
General Directorate of Industrial Property of the Republic of Albania (GDIP)	MOU between the USPTO and the General Directorate of Industrial Property of the Republic of Albania (GDIP)
General Authority for Intellectual Property and State Registration of Mongolia (GAIPSR)	MOU on Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and the General Authority for Intellectual Property and State Registration of Mongolia
Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism of the Republic of Korea (MCST)	Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism of the Republic of Korea (MCST)
National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Protection of Intellectual Property of Peru (INDECOPI)	MOU between the USPTO and the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Protection of Intellectual Property of Peru
Ecuadorian Institute of Intellectual Property (IEPI)	MOU between the USPTO and IEPI
National Research Development Corporation of India (NRDC)	MOU for Bilateral Cooperation between the USPTO and NRDC
United States Embassy in the People's Republic of China	Memorandum of Agreement between the USPTO and United States Embassy in the People's Republic of China
International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV)	Modification of the Memorandum of Understanding between the USPTO and UPOV
Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)	Arrangement between the USPTO and ASEAN
United States Department of State	1st Amendment to the MOU between the USPTO and the United States Department of State



Oceania Customs Organisation (OCO)	Amendment - MOU between the USPTO and OCO on Bilateral Cooperation in the Field of Intellectual Property Rights Protection and Enforcement, Capacity-Building and Training
National Association of Attorney (NAAG)	Amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement Establishing a Joint Project between the USPTO and NAAG
The International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)	MOU between the USPTO and the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)
Department of State, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL)	Interagency Agreement between the USPTO and the United States Department of State, INL
Department of State, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs (NEA), Assistance Coordination	Interagency Agreement between the USPTO and the Department of State, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs (NEA), Assistance Coordination
Department of State, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs (NEA), Assistance Coordination	Interagency Agreement between the USPTO and the Department of State, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs (NEA), Assistance Coordination
Department of State, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs	Interagency Agreement between the USPTO and Assistance for Europe, Eurasia, and Central Asia (AEECA) Funds (AEECA Ukraine)
Bureau of African Affairs	Interagency Agreement between the USPTO and the United States Department of State, Bureau of African Affairs
U.S. Department of State, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs	Interagency Agreement between the USPTO and the State Department, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs (NEA), Assistance
U.S. Department of State, Office of Language Services	Interagency Agreement between the USPTO and the U.S. Department of State
U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, Global Markets (ITA/GM)	Interagency Agreement between the USPTO and the U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, Global Markets