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Mr. Scott Brown

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**Subject: Petition for Document Access** 

Dear Mr. Brown

The EUIPO has examined your request on the basis of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (Official Journal L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43) and the specific provisions concerning public access to documents set out in Decision No CA-03-22 of the Administrative Board of the Office for the Harmonization in the Internal Market (24.11.2003) namely

 Complaints regarding Intellectual Property infringements by Chinese communications technology firms from 2010 onwards. Specifically, by 'Chinese technology firms', I refer to the broad category of technology firms that originate in the People's Republic of China, including but not limited to: Huawei, Miteno, MXSoft, Ningbo Orient Wires & Cables, OTEC Technology, QuantumCTek, Shangang, Shenzhen Friendcom Technology Development, World Telecom Satellite, Yak, Zhizyun, and ZTE.

Firstly, EUIPO does not collect "Complaints regarding Intellectual Property infringements by Chinese communications technology firms from 2010 onwards" for the purpose of public consultation national other than judgments in IP infringement cases.

You can access such judgments collected by the Office directly on the Office's website at <a href="https://euipo.europa.eu/eSearchCLW/#advanced/national">https://euipo.europa.eu/eSearchCLW/#advanced/national</a> in the eSearch case law database by searching for the name of the firm you are focusing on in your email.

For the remainder, the information which the Observatory processes on a technical level under the IP Enforcement Portal (IPEP) is covered by the exceptions under Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents: "The institutions shall refuse access to a document where disclosure would undermine the protection of commercial interests of a natural or legal person, including intellectual property".

The confidentiality of this information is also guaranteed by IPEP's Terms & Conditions.



Please kindly note that Under Article 7(2) of the Regulation you have 15 working days to make a confirmatory application.

Yours sincerely

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