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Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

We have the pleasure of sending you herewith no. 6/2008 of our Newsletter "Legal Information". We hope you will enjoy reading it.

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1. Breakthrough for the Strategy and Action Plan on Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property

After two years of intensive negotiations the 61st World Health Assembly adopted by consensus on May 24, 2008 the strategy and an action plan and an accompanying resolution to address the relationship of public health, innovation and intellectual property rights: <http://www.ige.ch/e/jurinfo/j1111.shtm>.

2. Switzerland to participate in preliminary talks on a plurilateral treaty for fighting counterfeiting and piracy

Switzerland participated in the first round of negotiations on ACTA which took place on June 3 and 4, 2008, in Geneva: <http://www.ige.ch/e/jurinfo/j107.shtm#a11>.

3. Invitation to the Press Conference "Intellectual property will be protected even better in Switzerland as of 1 July 2008"

At a press conference on June 26, the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property and the organization STOP PIRACY, a cooperative initiative by the public and the private sector against counterfeiting and piracy, will be explaining the content and effects of the new legislation against counterfeiting and piracy (Invitation: <http://www.ige.ch/e/news/2008/documents/n102e.pdf>).

4. Swiss-Jamaican Cooperation on Geographical Indications of Source

The "Geographical Indications Project Jamaica-Switzerland" was officially launched in Kingston on May 28, 2008. Extensive talks between representatives from the Institute of Intellectual Property and high-ranking representatives from several Jamaican ministries took place in Kingston during the week of May 26th-30th; The goal is to open negotiations for a bilateral treaty on the mutual recognition and protection of geographical indications of source between Switzerland and Jamaica: <http://www.ige.ch/e/jurinfo/j133.shtm>.

5. Swissreg Workshops for September 2008

The IGE has organized the "Swissreg Workshop: e-publications and MyPage" in Zurich, Bern and Geneva for September 2008. As we have already informed you, trademarks, patents, designs and topographies will no longer be published in the Commercial Gazette (SHAB), the Swiss patent gazette (+pat+) or the Swiss designs gazette (mod. dep.) as of 1 July 2008. The official publication of new entries and changes in the register will appear exclusively online in the Institute database of protective rights <http://www.swissreg.ch> from this point on. The half-day workshop introduces you to the advantages of e-publications and the limits and differences to paper publications. Additionally, you will be able to use MyPage and learn about the "new" Swissreg. More information and the registration form can be found at

http://www.ige.ch/training/2007/swissreg_d_2008_info.shtm (course description in German and French only).

Yours sincerely,

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