

## **Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications**

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PROPOSAL BY THE DELEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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In a communication dated November 3, 2022, the Delegation of the United States of America transmitted to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization the proposal contained in the Annex to the present document.

[Annex follows]

## **Proposal from the United States of America**

At the forty-fifth session of the Standing Committee on Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (SCT) under agenda item 7, Geographical Indications, the Committee agreed to invite members to present at the forty-sixth session of the SCT, proposals for topics for an Information Session on Geographical Indications, to be held in conjunction with the forty-seventh session of the SCT.<sup>1</sup>

Responsive to the aforementioned invitation, the Delegation of the United States of America formally submits the following proposed topics for consideration:

- Transparency and public notice regarding the non-protectability of generic terms in compound geographical indications;
- Evaluation in examination of generic terms in compound geographical indications; and
- Geographical indication maintenance requirements.

[End of Annex and document]

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<sup>1</sup> Document SCT/45/8.