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BUSINESS-JUDICIAL ROUNDTABLE FOR IPR ENFORCEMENT

**JUNE 10, 2004
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA**

PURPOSE: To share the experience of private sector leaders whose businesses depend upon intellectual property rights (IPR) enforcement with judges responsible for adjudicating IPR disputes.

CIRCUMSTANCES: This roundtable session is set in Slovakia, and will address current IPR issues in Slovakia with Slovak judges. Business leaders and experts from Slovakia, elsewhere in the EU, the US, and NGOs will participate. Participants from other Central and Eastern European countries have been invited in order that the roundtable might serve as a model for similar roundtables in their countries.

LOCATION: Hotel Danube, Rybné Námestie 1, 813 38 Bratislava, Tel: +421-2-5934-0000

AGENDA:

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| 10:00 | Opening of Roundtable and Introduction of Participants
Mr. George W. Handy, Director, Euro-Atlantic Action Commission |
| 10:10 | Welcome
Dr. Janka Pristavkova, Director, Department for Civil Legislation
Ministry of Justice, the Slovak Republic |
| 10:25 | Proven Practices in Adjudicating IPR Disputes from Global Experience <ul style="list-style-type: none">• German Judicial System for Adjudicating IPR Disputes
Dr. Andreas von Falck, Partner, Lovells
Open Discussion |

- American Judicial System for Adjudicating IPR Disputes
Ms. Marie-Flore V. Kouame, Trial Attorney, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section, US Department of Justice

Open Discussion

11:15 **Break**

11:30 **Private Sector Experience – Regional and Global**

- CEELI Training Programs for Judges – Past and Planned
Mr. Joel Martin, Director of the CEELI Institute in Prague
- Siemens Experience on IPR Protection
Mr. Uwe Schriek, Chief Counsel, IP Strategy, Siemens AG

12:00 **Working Lunch**

NOTE:

- *During lunch Mr. Handy will present a brief case study stressing issues of importance to effective IPR enforcement.*
- *Following lunch, private sector participants will be invited to comment on the case study and other issues.*

13:00 **Break**

13:25 **Private Sector and NGO Comments on the Case Study and/or Other Issues**

NOTE: *Private sector participants who wish to speak will be provided up to 5 minutes for comments.*

14:00 **Observations from Slovak Judges on IPR Issues, Other Concerns and Major Changes in the Slovak Judicial System Impacting on IPR Enforcement**

- Dr. Viera Sebestova, Judge, Regional Court, Bratislava
- Other Judges

14:40 **Concluding Discussion**

Moderator: Mr. Handy

- Summary of major points raised during this roundtable session.
- Areas for further action by private sector participants in support of the Slovak judiciary.
- Areas of emphasis for sharing this business-judicial cooperative mechanism with other countries.
- Other points.

15:00 **Adjourn**