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ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)**

**Kampala Protocol on Voluntary Registration of Copyright and
Related Rights within the Framework of the African Regional
Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)**

(adopted by the Diplomatic Conference of ARIPO at Kampala, Uganda
on August 28, 2021)

and

**Regulations for Implementing the Kampala Protocol on Voluntary
Registration of Copyright and Related Rights within the
Framework of ARIPO**

(adopted by the Administrative Council of ARIPO on November 25, 2022
at Maputo, Mozambique)

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**Principal Text of the
Kampala Protocol**

PREAMBLE

We the Contracting States to this Protocol,

Having regard to the Agreement on the creation of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO), concluded in Lusaka, Zambia on December 9, 1976;

Desirous of furthering the objectives of the Lusaka Agreement which provides for the establishment of common organs or services as and when it may be necessary or desirable for the coordination, harmonization and development of the Intellectual Property activities affecting Member States of ARIPO;

Further having regard to Article III (i) of the Lusaka Agreement mandating ARIPO to promote, in its members, the development of copyright and related rights and to ensure that copyright and related rights contribute to the economic, social and cultural development of its members and of the African region as a whole;

Cognizant of the principles included in international instruments established under the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works (Paris Act of 1971), the Rome Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations (1961), Agreement on Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (1994), WIPO Copyright Treaty (1996), WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty (1996), the Beijing Treaty on Audiovisual Performances (2012) and other relevant international instruments;

Realizing the need for cooperation among the Contracting States in order to ensure sustainable development of copyright and related rights through a coordinated and concerted approach;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1
Interpretation

For the purpose of this Protocol, unless the context otherwise requires,

- (a) “*Administrative Council*” means the ARIPO Administrative Council set up in terms of Article VII of the Lusaka Agreement;
- (b) “*ARIPO database*” means a database on voluntary registration maintained by ARIPO pursuant to this Protocol;
- (c) “*contracting State*” means any state that becomes party to this Protocol in accordance with Article 19;
- (d) “*copyright or related rights holder*” means a person who owns the exclusive right to a copyright or related rights, as the case may be;
- (e) “*national competent authority*” means an authority within a contracting State with the powers to implement this Protocol;
- (f) “*person*” means a natural or legal person;
- (g) “*regulations*” means regulations made under this Protocol;
- (h) “*voluntary registration*” means registration of copyright or related rights with a national competent authority or ARIPO under this Protocol.

Article 2
Scope

This Protocol shall govern the contracting states in the voluntary registration and notification of copyright and related rights.

Article 3
Objectives

The objectives of this Protocol are to:

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- (a) establish, manage, facilitate and coordinate a system for voluntary registration and notification of copyright and related rights;
- (b) uphold common principles regarding voluntary registration and notification of copyright and related rights;
- (c) provide copyright holders means of presumption to authorship or ownership of rights; and
- (d) to ensure that creative industries contribute to the socio-economic development of countries.

Article 4
Administration

For purposes of facilitating voluntary registration and notification, ARIPO shall:

- (a) Receive and register the applications in the database
- (b) receive, from a contracting State, notification of copyright and related rights registered by the national competent authority within the contracting State;
- (c) enter into the database, information on copyright and related rights registered in a contracting State or by ARIPO; and
- (d) perform such other functions as are necessary for the furtherance of the objectives of this Protocol.

Article 5
ARIPO Database

1. ARIPO shall, in exercising its functions under Article 4, establish, manage, update and maintain a database into which data on copyright and related rights registered or notified under this Protocol shall be entered and kept.

2. The ARIPO database established under paragraph 1 shall be a database for reference and search by any person to whom access shall be granted by ARIPO upon fulfilling the necessary requirements prescribed under the regulations.
3. A person who wishes to have access to the ARIPO database for copyright and related rights shall make an application to ARIPO in a prescribed form upon payment of the prescribed fees.

Article 6

National Competent Authority

1. A contracting State:
 - (a) shall notify ARIPO of a body or entity designated as its national competent authority responsible for undertaking the registration of copyright and related rights at the national level; or
 - (b) may designate ARIPO to undertake the function of registering copyright and related rights on its behalf.
2. The national competent authority shall be responsible for receiving and maintaining data on copyright and related rights at the national level.
3. Where ARIPO is designated under paragraph 1(b), ARIPO shall carry out the responsibilities of the national competent authority in paragraph 2 unless such responsibilities are revoked in the prescribed form by a contracting state within a 6 month notice period.
4. The revocation under paragraph 3 shall not affect any application filed prior to the expiration of the six (6) months period or registration or notification of copyright and related rights effected upon such an application.

Article 7

**Application for Voluntary Registration and Notification
of Copyright and Related Rights**

1. The author or the owner of, or other person interested in the copyright or related rights in, any work or production may make an application in the prescribed form accompanied by the prescribed fee to the national competent authority or ARIPO for registration of particulars of the work or production in the database.
2. The requirements and procedure for application for voluntary registration and notification shall be prescribed in the regulations.

Article 8

Registration of Copyright and Related Rights

1. The national competent authority or ARIPO, subject to Article 7:
 - (a) may accept the application; or
 - (b) refuse the application where it does not comply with the requirements provided for in this Protocol and its regulations
2. Where an application is accepted, the copyright or related rights shall be registered and entered into the database.
3. The registration of copyright and related rights under this Article shall be *prima facie* evidence of the particulars entered in the database and documents purporting to be copies of any entries therein, or extracts therefrom certified by ARIPO and sealed with the seal of ARIPO shall be admissible in evidence in all courts without further proof or production of the original.

Article 9

Notification of Registered Copyright and Related Rights

1. A national competent authority of a contracting State shall, upon registration of a copyright or related rights, notify ARIPO within the period as prescribed in the regulations.

2. The notification in paragraph 1 shall be made in a prescribed form accompanied by a copy of the registration certificate or proof of registration issued by the national competent authority.
3. The owner of the copyright or related rights shall pay the prescribed fee as specified under the regulations.
4. ARIPO shall upon receipt of notification and fees enter the copyright or related rights into the ARIPO database.

Article 10

Withdrawal of Application

A person who has filed an application in terms of Article 7 may, in the prescribed form at any time before registration, apply for the withdrawal of the application.

Article 11

Cancellation of Registration

1. A national competent authority or ARIPO shall cancel the registration of a copyright or related rights in the following circumstances:
 - (a) where the initial registration was erroneously made;
 - (b) where the initial registration was fraudulently procured;
 - (c) by an order of a court or any other competent authority, or
 - (d) pursuant to the law of the contracting state.
2. A cancellation under paragraph 1 may be initiated by:
 - (a) a national competent authority or ARIPO;
 - (b) a copyright or related rights holder; or
 - (c) a person aggrieved by the registration of a copyright or related rights in the prescribed form.

3. ARIPO shall within a prescribed period, notify a relevant national competent authority of the cancellation and where cancellation is made at the national level, the national competent authority shall notify ARIPO of the cancellation.

Article 12

Removal from ARIPO Database

ARIPO shall remove a copyright or related rights from the ARIPO database where:

- (a) a cancellation has been made under Article 11; or
- (b) there is a clear and obvious error made by the entry into the ARIPO database.

Article 13

Change in Ownership or Variation of Particulars

1. A person shall apply for change in ownership of a copyright or related rights to a national competent authority or ARIPO as the case may be.
2. The owner of a registered copyright or related rights shall as soon as practicable apply for the registration of any variations to particulars through the national competent authority or ARIPO as the case may be.
3. An application made under paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be made in a prescribed form upon payment of a prescribed fee.
4. An application for change in ownership or particulars of ownership of copyright or related rights may be accepted or rejected.
5. Where an application is accepted by ARIPO it shall be entered into the ARIPO database and ARIPO shall notify the national competent authority.
6. Where an application is accepted by a national competent authority, ARIPO shall be notified.

7. Where an application is rejected, the applicant may appeal to the Board as provided for in Article 15.

Article 14
Dispute Resolution

1. Any dispute or claim arising out of this Protocol may be resolved through direct negotiations between or among the Parties in dispute. Where negotiations fail, the Parties shall submit the dispute to the dispute settlement forum as provided for in the regulations.
2. Where a dispute arises between applicants and third parties on the application or interpretation of this Protocol, ARIPO, in consultation with contracting states, shall provide for dispute resolution mechanisms applicable to such a dispute.
3. The dispute resolution mechanisms shall be provided in the regulations.

Article 15
Appeal

1. An Appeal shall be made to the Board established in terms of Article 16 by a person whose:
 - (a) application for registration of copyright or related rights is rejected by ARIPO;
 - (b) registration of copyright or related rights has been cancelled by ARIPO; or
 - (c) registration of copyright or related rights has been removed from the ARIPO database.
2. Procedure for appeal at ARIPO shall be prescribed in the regulations.
3. Any appeal against decisions made by a national competent authority shall be governed by the laws of the relevant contracting State.

Article 16

Establishment of the Board of Appeal

1. There is hereby established a Board of Appeal (hereinafter referred to as “the Board”)
2. The Board shall consist of five (5) members, with relevant knowledge and skills, two (2) of whom shall be copyright and related rights experts.
3. The members of the Board shall be appointed by the Administrative Council of ARIPO–
 - (a) for a period of three (3) years renewable for another term;
 - (b) from the contracting States to this Protocol; and
 - (c) on such other terms and conditions as the Administrative Council may determine.
4. The functions of the Board are to:
 - (a) deal with any matter for appeal set out in article 16 paragraph 1;
 - (b) deal with any matter from an applicant who is dissatisfied with any aspect of the process of voluntary registration and notification of copyright or related rights under this Protocol;
 - (c) review any administrative decisions of ARIPO in relation to the implementation of the provisions of this Protocol at its own instance or brought to its attention by a third party;
 - (d) decide on any other matter related or incidental to the exercise of the Board’s powers.
5. Three members of the Board shall form a quorum.
6. The decisions of the Board shall be final.
7. The Board shall have power to make and adopt its own rules of procedure.

Article 17

Technical Assistance

ARIPO may provide technical assistance to contracting States to either put in place or enhance efficient registration systems at the national competent authority.

Article 18

Regulations

1. The Administrative Council shall make regulations for the implementation of this Protocol and may amend them as necessary.
2. Notwithstanding the generality of paragraph 1, the regulations shall *inter alia*:
 - (a) stipulate any administrative requirements or any details necessary for the implementation of the provisions of this Protocol;
 - (b) prescribe fees being charged under this Protocol;
 - (c) prescribe forms to meet the requirements under this Protocol.

Article 19

Membership and Entry into Force

1. Any State which is a member of ARIPO or any State to which membership of ARIPO is open, may become party to this Protocol by:
 - (a) a signature followed by the deposit of an instrument of ratification; or
 - (b) deposit of an instrument of accession.
2. Instruments of ratification or accession shall be deposited with the Director General of ARIPO.
3. This Protocol shall come into force three (3) months after five (5) States have

deposited their instruments of ratification or accession.

4. Any State which is not party to this Protocol upon its entry into force shall become bound by this Protocol three (3) months after the date on which such a State deposits its instrument of ratification or accession.
5. Any State which ratifies or accedes to this Protocol shall, by the instrument of ratification or accession, be deemed to have indicated its acceptance to be bound by the provisions of the Lusaka Agreement on the creation of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) and such State shall become a member of ARIPO on the date on which it deposits its instrument of ratification or accession to this Protocol.

Article 20

Denunciation of the Protocol

1. Any contracting state may denounce this Protocol by notification addressed to the Director General of ARIPO.
2. Denunciation shall take effect six (6) months after receipt of the said notification by the Director General of ARIPO and shall not affect any application filed prior to the expiration of the six (6) months period or registration or notification of copyright and related rights effected upon such an application.

Article 21

Amendment to the Protocol

1. This Protocol may be amended by the Administrative Council at the instance of any contracting state or the Director General.
2. Adoption of the amendments of any provision of this Protocol shall require a majority of two – thirds of the votes of all contracting States.

Article 22

Signature of the Protocol

1. The Protocol shall be signed in a single copy and shall be deposited with the Director General of ARIPO. It shall remain open for signature by member States of ARIPO and other State members of the African Union, until February 28, 2022.
2. The Director General of ARIPO shall transmit certified copies of this Protocol to the contracting States, other member States of ARIPO and the States to which membership of ARIPO is open in accordance with Article IV of the Lusaka Agreement on the creation of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO).

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CITATION

These Regulations may be cited as: *Regulations for Implementing the Kampala Protocol on Voluntary Registration of Copyright and Related Rights within the framework of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)*.

Rule 1 **Interpretation**

The terms defined in Article 1 of the Protocol shall have the same meaning for the purpose of these Regulations and unless the context otherwise requires:

“*Ad hoc Copyright Dispute Resolution Committee*” means the committee established under Rule 10 of these Regulations;

“*ADR*” means Alternative Dispute Resolution;

“*ARIPO*” means African Regional Intellectual Property Organization;

“*ARIPO Office*” means the Secretariat of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization;

“*Administrative Instructions*” means the Administrative Instructions established by the Director General of ARIPO in accordance with Rule 13 of these Regulations;

“*Board of Appeal*” means the Board of Appeal established under Article 16 of the Protocol;

“*Confidential Information*” means any information that has been identified as Confidential Information by the owner;

“*Electronic means*” means any communication that uses the internet, email, facsimile, or other similar means;

“*National Competent Authority*” means the Authority as defined under Article 1 (e) of the Protocol;

“*Protocol*” means the Kampala Protocol on Voluntary Registration of Copyright

and Related Rights adopted at Kampala, Uganda, on August 28, 2021;

“VRCCR” means Voluntary Registration of Copyright & Related Rights.

Rule 2

Access to ARIPO Database

1. Any person may apply for access to the ARIPO database as defined in the Protocol.
2. An application under paragraph (1) above shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 1 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations and accompanied by a non-refundable fee as prescribed in the Second Schedule of these Regulations.
3. ARIPO Office shall not disclose or publish confidential information without the owner’s express consent.
4. The application shall be filed at the ARIPO Office by registered mail, delivery by hand, electronic means or in accordance with the Administrative Instructions.
5. The fee under paragraph 2 shall be payable in accordance with the Administrative Instructions.

Rule 3

Notification of a Body or Entity Designated as the National Competent Authority

1. The notification of designation of a body or entity as the national competent authority responsible for undertaking registration of copyright and related rights shall be in the form of a signed formal letter of notification from the authorized designating authority.
2. The notification shall be submitted to ARIPO Office through registered mail, delivery by hand, electronic means or any other appropriate means in accordance with the Administrative Instructions.

Rule 4

Revocation of Designation of ARIPO to Undertake the Function of Registering Copyright and Related Rights on Behalf of a Contracting State

Notice of revocation of ARIPO to undertake the function of registering copyright and related rights on behalf of a contracting state shall either be in the form of a signed formal letter of notification from the authorized designating authority or on Form No. VR CR 2 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.

Rule 5

Application for Voluntary Registration

1. All copyright and related rights are eligible for voluntary registration and notification in accordance with Article 2 of the Protocol.
2. The author, owner or other person interested in a copyright or related rights that is eligible for registration may make an application for registration.
3. In the case of joint authors or joint owners of a copyright or related right, the applicant shall seek authorization from all the authors or owners.
4. Where the applicant cannot trace a joint author or joint owner, he/she shall swear an affidavit before a notary public to that effect and indicate efforts taken to trace the joint author or owner.
5. The application for voluntary registration shall be made on Form No. VR CR 3 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.
6. The application shall be accompanied by fees prescribed in the Second Schedule of these Regulations, a copy of the national identity card or official passport or certificate of registration as a company as the case may be.
7. An application for voluntary registration may be filed and processed in electronic form and in accordance with the Administrative Instructions.
8. Particulars of the copyright or related rights shall be registered in the ARIPO database and a certificate of registration shall be issued by the ARIPO Office where:

- a) the application complies with the requirements under the Protocol and these Regulations;
 - b) the copyright or related rights whose particulars are sought to be registered fall within the scope of copyright and related rights; and,
 - c) the prescribed fees have been paid.
9. A certificate of registration of copyright or related rights by the ARIPO Office shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 4 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.
10. ARIPO Office shall issue the certificate of registration of copyright or related rights within 30 days from the date of entry of the particulars in the ARIPO database.

Rule 6

Notification of Registered Copyright and Related Rights

1. A national competent authority of a contracting state shall notify the ARIPO Office upon registration of copyright and related rights within 30 days after registration at national level.
2. The notification by the national competent authority shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 5 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.
3. The notification under paragraph (2) above shall be accompanied by;
 - a) a copy of the registration certificate or other proof of registration; and,
 - b) evidence of payment of registration fee at national level.
4. Where an application is made to ARIPO Office, the ARIPO Office shall notify the national competent authority of a contracting state from which the copyright or related rights and applicant originates within 30 days after such registration.
5. The notification by the ARIPO Office to the national competent authority shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 6 set out in the First Schedule of these

Regulations.

6. The notification by the ARIPO Office shall be accompanied by a copy of the registration certificate or other evidence of registration from ARIPO Office.
7. The means of notification may be in electronic form and in accordance with the Administrative Instructions.
8. Where there exists a remotely accessible database for voluntary registration maintained at national level, the national competent authority may provide means for access to the national database by ARIPO Office.
9. Administrative Instructions may provide for means of access to ARIPO database by a national competent authority.

Rule 7

Withdrawal of Application for Registration

1. An applicant may request to withdraw the application for registration any time before the application is registered and entered into the ARIPO database.
2. Application for withdrawal shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 7 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.

Rule 8

Cancellation of Registration

1. An application for cancellation of registration shall be on Form No. VRCCR 8 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.
2. Where the cancellation is made by the ARIPO Office, ARIPO Office shall notify the national competent authority, copyright and related right holder, or any other person interested in the cancellation within 30 days after the cancellation.
3. Where the cancellation is made at the national level, the national competent authority shall notify ARIPO Office, copyright and related rights holder, or

any other person interested in the cancellation within 30 days after the cancellation.

4. A notification of cancellation under this Rule shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 9 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.
5. Upon cancellation of registration, the certificate of registration of copyright and related rights issued under Rule 5, shall cease to be valid.

Rule 9

Application for Change in Ownership or Variation of Particulars

1. An application for change in ownership of copyright and related rights shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 10 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations and shall be accompanied by the fee as prescribed in the Second Schedule of these Regulations.
2. An application for the registration of any variations of particulars shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 11 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations and shall be accompanied by the fee as prescribed in the Second Schedule of these Regulations.
3. Notification of acceptance or rejection of application for change of ownership or variation of particulars by ARIPO Office or by the national competent authority shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 12 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.
4. Where the application is rejected, the applicant may appeal to the Board of Appeal within 30 days after receipt of the notification of rejection.

Rule 10

Dispute Resolution

1. The Parties to any dispute(s) or claim(s) arising out of the Protocol shall attempt in good faith to amicably settle such dispute(s) or claim(s). Where

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any dispute(s) or claim(s) cannot be settled amicably, any of the Parties shall notify the relevant national competent authority and ARIPO Office on Form No. VRCCR 13 of the existence and nature of the dispute(s) or claim(s).

2. Where the parties to the dispute(s) or claim(s) are from the same contracting state, the national competent authority from the contracting State may establish an *ad hoc* Copyright Dispute Resolution Committee within 30 days from the date of notification for purposes of resolving the dispute(s) or claim(s).
3. Where the parties to the dispute(s) or claim(s) are from different contracting States, the national competent authorities from the contracting states may establish an *ad hoc* Dispute Resolution Committee by mutual agreement within 30 days from the date of notification for purposes of resolving the dispute(s) or claim(s).
4. Where any Party is not satisfied with the decision of the ad hoc Copyright Dispute Resolution Committee in paragraph 2 and 3 above, the Party may apply to a competent court or tribunal of jurisdiction in the contracting State using the relevant procedures and the outcome of the court action shall be submitted to ARIPO Office and the relevant national competent authority on Form No. VRCCR 14.

Rule 11 Appeals

1. The Board of Appeal established under Article 16 (1) of the Protocol, shall consider and decide appeals on matters under Article 15 (1) of the Protocol.
2. Appeals to the Board shall be made on Form No. VRCCR 15 set out in the First Schedule of these Regulations.
3. Appeals to the Board shall be filed within a period of 30 days from the date on which the notification of the decision of the ARIPO Office is received.
4. The Appeal shall state with clarity, sufficient ground(s) of or reasons for Appeal upon which the Appellant relies on including any evidence in support of

the Appeal.

5. The Board of Appeal shall be governed by the Rules of Procedure made and adopted by it as specified on Article 16 (7) of the Protocol.

Rule 12

Fees

1. The fees payable to ARIPO Office for the implementation of the Protocol and the amounts of such fees are set out in the Second Schedule of these Regulations.
2. All fees paid under these Regulations shall be non-refundable.
3. All fees payable under these Regulations shall be paid in United States Dollars either directly to the ARIPO Office or the national competent authority and shall accompany the application where payment is required.
4. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 above, where the applicant is a national of a contracting State, the national competent authority may accept payment of the fees in a local currency equivalent, at the prevailing official rate of exchange, to the prescribed fees.
5. Where it is necessary for administrative reasons, Administrative Instructions may provide for other appropriate means of payment of fees.

Rule 13

General Provisions

The ARIPO Director General shall establish Administrative Instructions which shall deal with details in respect of the application of these Regulations. The Administrative Instructions so established shall not be in conflict with the provisions of the Protocol and these Regulations.

Rule 14

Amendment of the Regulations

1. These Regulations may be amended at the instance of the ARIPO Director General or any member of a contracting State during the Administrative Council sessions.
2. The decision to amend these Regulations shall be by a simple majority of contracting States.
3. Every amendment to these Regulations shall be notified to the contracting States by the Director General.

FIRST SCHEDULE:

**Forms Under the Regulations for Implementing
the Kampala Protocol on Voluntary Registration of
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the African Regional Intellectual Property
Organization (ARIPO)**

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FORM NO. VRCCR 1

(Article 5(3)), (Rule 2(2))

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Date received at ARIPO:

APPLICATION FOR ACCESS TO ARIPO DATABASE

I. Details of applicant:

Name:

Address:

II. Details of agent (if any):

Name:

Address:

III. Title of the copyright or related rights whose access is being sought (if known):

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IV. Name of the owner of the copyright or related rights (if known):

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V. Any other particulars of the copyright or related rights that is being sought if known:

1.....

2.....

3.....

VI. The purpose for which access is sought (e.g., licensing, dispute

resolution, research etc.:

.....

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Declaration

I/We, the applicant(s) identified below declare that;

1. I/We have a legitimate interest in the copyright or related rights; and,
2. The information contained on this form is true and correct.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE



**AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
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Form No. VRCCR 2	(Article 6 (3)), (Rule 4)
REVOCATION OF DESIGNATION OF ARIPO TO UNDERTAKE THE FUNCTION OF REGISTERING COPYRIGHT AND RELATED RIGHTS	
For official use	
Date received at ARIPO:	
I. (Country) hereby notifies ARIPO that it has revoked the designation of ARIPO to undertake the function of registering copyright and related rights effective six (6) months from the date hereof;	
II. Date when the designation of ARIPO was made:	
III. Date when the revocation is effective (6 months after the date of notification):	
OFFICIAL SEAL AND SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON.	
.....	
Date:	



AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)

Form No. VRCR 3	(Article 7(1)), (Rule 5(5))
For official use	
Date received at ARIPO:	
Registration Number at ARIPO:	
APPLICATION FOR VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION	
<i>(Please mark as ‘Confidential Information’ information that should be treated as confidential information and should not be disclosed to third parties)</i>	
I. Name and address of the applicant(s):	
II. Nationality of the applicant(s):	
III. Name and address of agent (if any):	
IV. Status of the applicant(s) (whether author, owner, assignee, or transferee)	
V. Title of copyright or related right:	
VI. Category of copyright or related right:	
VII. Date of fixation:	
VIII. Details on ownership of copyright or related rights (if any):	
IX. Details of any other rights or claimants to the copyright or related rights (if any):	
X. Particulars of original owner where the copyright or related right is the subject of a transfer, license or assignment:	

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X. Date of Application:		
XI. Authorization to register by joint author or authors		
NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE
<p>Declaration</p> <p>I/We, the applicant(s) identified below declare that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is no other author(s) of the copyright or related rights or I/We have sought the consent of other author(s) to seek registration of details of the copyright or related rights in the ARIPO database; and, 2. The information contained on this form is true and correct. 		
NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE

Note:

Registration of copyright and related rights under these Regulations is not a mandatory requirement and the right holders may choose whether to register their works with ARIPO or the national competent authority.



AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)

Form No. VR CR 4		(Article 8(2)), (Rule 5(8))
CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF COPYRIGHT OR RELATED RIGHTS		
I. This is to confirm that the following particulars have been entered into the ARIPO database on copyright and related rights:		
II. Registration number:	ARIPO-	
III. Name, address, and nationality of applicant:		
IV. Nature of applicant's interest in the copyright or related rights:		
V. Type of copyright or related rights:		
VI. Name, address, and nationality of author:		
VII. Name, address, and nationality of owners of copyright or related rights:		
VIII. Any other additional information:		
IX. Date of submission of application:		
X. Date of entry into ARIPO database:		
ARIPO SEAL:	SIGNATURE:.....	



AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)

Form No. VRCCR 5		(Article 9(2)), (Rule 6(2))
		For official use Date received at ARIPO:
NOTIFICATION OF REGISTERED COPYRIGHT OR RELATED RIGHTS BY A NATIONAL COMPETENT AUTHORITY TO ARIPO		
I. It is hereby notified that details of the copyright or related right below have been registered by the (national competent authority).		
II. Country:		
III. Title of the copyright or related rights:		
IV. Date of notification:		
V. Date of registration of the copyright or related rights:		
VI. Name, country and address of the applicant:		
VII. Name, country, and address of agent (if any):		
VIII. Category of copyright or related rights:		
IX. Date of application for registration:		

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X. Name, email and postal address and telephone number of agent (if any):	
XI. Details on ownership of copyright or related rights (if any):	
XII. Date of fixation as declared by applicant:	
XIII. This notification is accompanied by proof of registration.	
<p style="text-align: center;">OFFICIAL SEAL AND SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED PERSON</p> <p style="text-align: center;">.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DATE:.....</p>	



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Form No. VR CR 6	(Article 9(2)), (Rule 6 (5))
For official use:	
Date received at National Competent Authority:	
NOTIFICATION OF REGISTERED COPYRIGHT OR RELATED RIGHTS BY ARIPO TO A NATIONAL COMPETENT AUTHORITY	
I. It is hereby notified that details of the copyright or related rights below have been registered and entered into the ARIPO database:	
II. Country notified:	
III. Date of notification:	
IV. Date of registration of the copyright or related rights at ARIPO:	
V. Title of the copyright or related rights:	
VI. Name, country, email and postal address and telephone number of the applicant:	
VII. Name, country, email and postal address and telephone number of agent. (if any):	
VIII. Category of copyright or related rights:	
IX. Date of application for registration:	
X. Name, email and postal address and telephone number of agent (if any):	

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Form No. VRCCR 7	(Article 10), (Rule 7(2))															
For official use																
Date received at ARIPO:																
WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION																
I. Name and address of the applicant(s):																
II. Name and address of agent (if any):																
III. Title of copyright or related rights:																
IV. Category of copyright or related rights:																
V. Date when application for registration was made:																
VI. Reason(s) for withdrawal of registration:																
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Form No. VRCR 8	(Article 11 (2), Rule 8 (1))
For official use Date received at ARIPO:	
APPLICATION FOR CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION	
I. Name and address of the applicant(s):	
II. Name, email, postal address, and telephone number of agent (if any):	
III. Title of copyright or related rights:	
IV. Copyright or related rights registration number at ARIPO:	
V. Category of copyright or related rights:	
VI. Date when the application for registration was made:	
VII. Date when the copyright or related right was registered at ARIPO:	
VIII. Reason(s) for cancellation:	
Declaration I/We, the applicant(s) identified below declare that; 1. There is no other author(s) of the copyright or related rights or I/We have sought the consent of other author(s) to seek cancellation of registration of details of the copyright or related rights in the ARIPO database; and, 2. The information contained on this form is true and correct.	

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AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)

Form No. VR CR 9	(Article 11(3), Rule 8(4))
For official use Date of Notification:	
NOTIFICATION OF CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION OF COPYRIGHT OR RELATED RIGHTS.	
I. Details of the applicant: Name: Address:	
II. Description of the copyright or related rights:	
III. Registration details of the copyright or related rights:	
IV. It is hereby notified that registration of details of the copyright or related rights below have been cancelled for the following reason(s):	
ARIPO SEAL:	SIGNATURE:.....
DATE OF CANCELLATION:	



AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)

Form No. VRCR 10	(Article 13(3), Rule 9(1))
	For official use Date of Application:
APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF A COPYRIGHT OR RELATED RIGHTS	
I. Details of the copyright or related rights: Title of the copyright or related rights: Registration number at ARIPO: Date of registration at ARIPO:	
II. Details of the applicant(s): Name: Address:.....	
III. Details of the new owner(s)/assignee(s)/transferee(s): Name:..... Address:.....	
IV. Reason for change of ownership:	

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Declaration

I/We, the applicant(s) identified below declare that:

1. There is no other author(s) of the copyright or related rights or I/We have sought the consent of other author(s) to seek for registration of change of ownership of the copyright or related rights in the ARIPO database; and,
2. The information contained on this form is true and correct.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE



**AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
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Form No. VRCR 11	(Article 13(3), Rule 9(2))
	For official use Date of Application:
APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF ANY VARIATION OF PARTICULARS	
I. Details of the applicant: Name: Address:	
II. Title of the copyright or related rights:	
III. Registration number of the copyright or related rights in the ARIPO database:	
IV. Proposed variations/changes:	
V. Reason(s) for the variation(s):	

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Declaration

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**AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
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Form No. VRCR 12	(Article 13(6), (Rule 9(3))
For official use Date of notification:	
NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OR VARIATION OF PARTICULARS OF A COPYRIGHT OR RELATED RIGHTS	
I. Details of the applicant: Name: Address:	
II. Title of copyright or related rights:	
III. Registration number of the copyright or related rights in the ARIPO database:	
IV. Change or variation accepted: Change or variation rejected:	
V. If rejected give reason(s) below:	
SIGNATURE AND SEAL OF NOTIFYING OFFICE	
DATE:	



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Form No. VRCCR 13	(Article 14, (Rule 10(1)))
For official use Date of notification:	
NOTIFICATION OF EXISTENCE OF DISPUTE(S) OR CLAIM(S)	
I. Details of the notifying party: Name: Address:	
II. Title of the copyright or related rights:.....	
III. Date registered in the ARIPO database:	
IV. Details of the parties to the dispute or claim:	
Disputant(s) / Claimant(s)	Respondent(s)
Name: Address:	Name: Address:
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V. Nature of the dispute(s) or claim(s):
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NAME AND SIGNATURE OF NOTIFYING PARTY:

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DATE:



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Form No. VR CR 14	(Article 14, (Rule 10(3))																		
For official use																			
Date of notification:																			
NOTIFICATION OF COURT ACTION																			
I. Details of the notifying party:																			
Name:																			
Address:																			
II. Title of the copyright or related rights:																			
III. Date registered in the ARIPO database:																			
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V. Nature of the dispute(s) or claim(s):

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VI. Court before which the dispute / claim was heard and determined:

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VII. Court outcome:

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VIII. Date of outcome:

NAME AND SIGNATURE OF NOTIFYING PARTY

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DATE:



AFRICAN REGIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (ARIPO)

Form No. VRCCR 15	(Article 15, (Rule 11(2)))
For official use	
Date Appeal is lodged:	
Appeal No:	
APPEALS TO THE BOARD OF APPEAL	
I. Details of the appealing party:	
Name:	
Address:	
II. Details of any other party to the appeal:	
(1) Name:	(1) Name:.....
Address:	Address:
(2) Name:	(2) Name:.....
Address:	Address:
(3) Name:	(3) Name:
Address:	Address:
(4) Name:	(4) Name:
Address:	Address:
III. Title of the copyright or related rights:	
IV. Date registered in the ARIPO database if registered:	
V. Date of notification of the decision by ARIPO:	

**SECOND SCHEDULE:
FEES**



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FEEs	
ITEM	FEEs IN US\$
Fees for access to ARIPO database for copyright and related rights.	20
Fee payable by the author, or owner of, or other person interested in the copyright or related rights for registration of particulars of the work in the database.	10
Fees payable by the author, or owner of the copyright or related rights upon notification by national competent authority to ARIPO of registration of a copyright or related rights.	10
Fees payable on application for change in ownership or variation of particulars.	20

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