UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

U.S. App. Ser. No. 79/262,227 :

Mark: AFNIOTECH : Examining Attorney Matthew Tully

Applicant: Officine Panerai AG : Law Office 105

Atty. Docket: LUS-46312 :

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In the prior Office Action, the Examining Attorney requested that Applicant submit an amended Identification of Goods on grounds that the original Identification of Goods was indefinite. In Response, Applicant hereby amends the Identification of Goods to read as follows:

International Class 014:

Unwrought or semi-wrought precious metals; alloys of precious metal; jewelry; precious stones; chronometers; watches; clocks, watch movements; watch bands; cases adapted for holding watches; pouches for watches in the nature of cases; jewelry cases in the nature of jewelry caskets

Applicant notes that the English translation of the original French language Identification of Goods in the base Swiss Application No. 06483/2019 contains an error. Namely, the French word "bijoux", which properly translates to "jewelry" in the English language, was improperly translated as "jewel" (The English word "jewel" translates to French as "bijou"). Accordingly, the amended Identification of Goods does not exceed the scope of the original Identification of Goods for the base application, and is proper.

Also in the prior Office Action, the Examining Attorney requested that the Applicant provide answers to the following three questions (Applicant's answers appear after each question):

Q1: Explain whether the following wording in the mark has any meaning or significance in the industry in which the goods and/or services are manufactured/provided, any meaning or significance as applied to applicant's goods and/or services, or if such wording is a term of art

within applicant's industry: "AFNIOTECH", "AFNIO TECH", and/or "AFNIO".

- A1: None of the words "AFNIOTECH", "AFNIO TECH" and "AFNIO" have any meaning or significance in the industry in which the goods and/or services are manufactured/provided. None of such words have any meaning or significance as applied to Applicant's goods and/or services. And none of such wording is a term of art within Applicant's industry.
- Q2: Explain whether any of this wording identifies a geographic place or has any meaning in a foreign language.
- A2: None of the wording identifies a geographic place or has any meaning in a foreign language.
- Q3: Submit an English translation of all foreign wording in a mark. If the wording does not have meaning in a foreign language, applicant should so specify.
- A3: The wording does not have a meaning in a foreign language.

It is respectfully submitted that the foregoing response addresses all outstanding issues in the application. Applicant respectfully requests that the Application be approved for publication.

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