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## FILING GUIDANCE

### FOR TRADEMARK REGISTRATION

#### REQUIRED INFORMATION:

1. Full name, address and nationality of the applicant;
2. Description of the trademark: meaning, colors claimed, translation or transliteration of characters into English if the mark contains foreign characters;
3. List of goods/services to be covered by the trademark and if possible, the class(es) of the respective goods/services according to the International Classification;
4. Country, application number and filing date of the original foreign application from which priority is claimed (if priority is claimed).

#### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

1. A notarized Power of Attorney from the applicant (*as the attached form*); (*A copy of notarized Power of Attorney is required at the time of filing trademark application, the original one can be submitted within one month from the filing date without any arising fees*);
2. 20 trademark specimens (the size of each specimen is not smaller than 50mm x 50mm and not larger than 80mm x 80mm);
3. Documents for claiming priority and English translation thereof (if any).

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. A trademark application can cover only one class;
2. It usually takes **5-6 months** from the filing date to obtain a Trademark Registration Certificate in Laos;
3. The term of the trademark protection in Laos is **10 years** from the registration date based on the Decision on Trademark No. 0753, dated 20/9/2012. Trademark registration is renewable for unlimited times, each of 10 years;
4. The trademark owner will be obliged to use the trademark in Laos. Trademark registration may be cancelled on the non-use basis if the registered mark has not been used for 5 consecutive years.