

## OFFICE FOR HARMONIZATION IN THE INTERNAL MARKET (TRADE MARKS AND DESIGNS)

**Operations Department** 

Opposition number: B002246794

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## **Grounds for the opposition**

Grounds: #1

Article 8(4) CTMR -The earlier non-registered trade mark/sign is used in the course of trade of more than mere local significance and, pursuant to the law governing it, the trade mark/signs confer/s on its proprietor the right to prohibit the use of a subsequent trade mark.

Explanation of grounds and other remarks:

The opponents have used the figurative sign since 2008 in their own native jurisdictions.

The opponents have used the logo since the author of the work waived his copyrights in the same logo in favour of the members of the Wikimedia community (which includes the opponents as well).

The opponents have made extensive use of the challenged trademark within their course of trade in Italy and also in Poland.

The opposition is appropriate to the criteria of Article 8 (4) in that the earlier non-registered mark is used in the designated course of trade and is of more than mere local significance and that under the Italian and Polish law, the sign confers on the opponents the right to prohibit the registration of the trademark application.

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In Italy the sign is a business sign protected by Article 12 (1)(c) of the IT-IP CODE.

Evidence of the mark being used in the course of trade:

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Translation:

La Caixa

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Alicante, SPAIN

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