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Trade Marks Act 1976: A 2019 Outfit on its Way (Part 1)

The House of Representatives had its first reading of the Trademarks Bill 2019 recently.

Aside from amendments to the current law on trademarks, the Trademarks Bill 2019 seeks to showcase the country's active steps in acceding to the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks (**Madrid Protocol**), administered by the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO). The Madrid Protocol enables the protection of trademarks across many countries simultaneously. Trademark owners may be able to register and manage trademarks in many of these member countries through the Madrid System.

Malaysia follows in the footsteps of fellow ASEAN member states that have acceded to the Madrid Protocol — Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam. Myanmar remains the only country in the group yet to join the Madrid System.

The second and third readings of the Trademarks Bill 2019 have been postponed, with the next sitting to be held on 1 July 2019.

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