Who We Are

Founded in 2006, CRA Timor was the first International Law Firm in Timor-Leste and still remains the biggest Law Firm in the Country.

With a well-established practice in Timor-Leste, CRA Timor offers a wide range of high level services to a high-profile portfolio of clients, which includes from the major Oil & Gas companies to major companies in diversified areas such as Telecommunications, Infrastructures, Construction, Insurance, Banking, Real Estate as well as Embassies and Public Bodies.

CRA Timor focuses its activity and professional services in all areas related to foreign investment in Timor Leste, including commercial & corporate, oil & gas, tax, administrative, employment, intellectual property and litigation.

CRA Timor is the only Law Firm in Timor Leste with knowledge and experience on Intellectual Property. The firm has actively and successfully engaged in this field since 2007.

Backed by its Lisbon Headquarters and by its presence in Macau, CRA Timor provides excellence services to both Local and International Clients.

CRA Timor is also part of CRA Global Network (www.cra-global.com) as well as Pannone Law Group PLG (www.plg.eu.com).



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The protection of trademarks, logos, insignias and patents in Timor Leste is not only possible but also recommendable, having in consideration that (i) the country's economic growth has been drawing increasing interest from relevant foreign investors and allowing a significant increase of the internal market and (ii) the foreseeable approval of an Intellectual Property Law by the Timor Leste Parliament will most likely bring priority to trademarks that have already been claimed in the jurisdiction.

Until the said Intellectual Property Law is finally approved, the protection of trademarks, logos, insignias and patents is guaranteed with the publication of Cautionary Notices.

This instrument is regarded in Timor Leste as the best option to react against abusive utilization of intellectual property rights in the jurisdiction, as well as to guarantee priority registration once this possibility is formally enacted.

CRA Timor therefore advises the holders of these rights to promote the publication of Cautionary Notices in Timorese newspapers with the widest circulation.

In general terms, the Cautionary Notice should state the name and address of the holder of the intellectual property right, as well as a description of the relevant intellectual property. In the case of a patent, an abstract is required, and in the case of a design, the shape of the design is required.

Typically, republication of Cautionary notices is recommended at regular intervals (every two years).

Once the Cautionary Notice is published, it is assumed that third parties are aware of the ownership of the intellectual property at issue.

Thus, if published properly and republished in a timely manner, a Cautionary Notice can be effective in preventing intellectual property infringement.

Considering the legal drafts that have been presented to the Parliament, once the Law on Intellectual Property is finally approved, the names, trademarks, logos and insignias and patents protected under the Cautionary Notes will be prioritized upon the registration procedure.