

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE DIRECTOR**

**In re Max Mara Fashion Group  
S.r.l.**

Applicant,

Decision on Request for Extension  
of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 2.145(e)

Appl. Ser. No. 87/786,944

**MEMORANDUM AND ORDER**

On April 6, 2020, Applicant Max Mara Fashion Group S.r.l. (“Applicant”), filed a request “to extend the time for appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit by a period of sixty (60) days.” The decision from which Applicant is contemplating an appeal is the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board’s February 12, 2020, decision affirming the refusal to register the trademark in Applicant’s Application Serial No. 87/786,944. The request is GRANTED for the reasons set forth below.

Under 37 C.F.R. § 2.145(e)(1)(i), the Director may, for good cause, extend the time to appeal of a Board decision if the request is made in writing before the period for filing an appeal expires. Under 37 C.F.R. § 2.145(d)(1), the period for filing a notice of appeal expires sixty-three (63) days from the date of the final decision of the Board. The Board’s final decision was mailed on February 12, 2020, making the filing of any appeal challenging such decision due no later than

April 15, 2020. Accordingly, this request for an extension of time is timely and considered under the good cause standard.

Applicant's attorney avers:

Applicant is an Italian company, with its offices located in Italy. Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, Italy has declared a national emergency and has been locked down since January 31, 2020, and all non-essential businesses have been closed. These measures are currently in effect and ongoing.

The Director finds that there is good cause for the requested sixty (60) day extension of time to file a Notice of Appeal to the Federal Circuit. Accordingly, the request for extension of time is GRANTED. Because an additional sixty days from April 15 would fall on Sunday, June 14, 2020, the Director will allow Applicant an additional sixty-one (61) days (*i.e.*, through and including June 15, 2020), within which to file a Notice of Appeal to the Federal Circuit.

ANDREI IANCU,  
*Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual  
Property and Director of the United States Patent  
and Trademark Office*

Date: April 9, 2020

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