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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GOOGLE LLC,

Petitioner,

v.

RAFQA STAR, LLC,

Patent Owner.

Case No. IPR2023-00812
U.S. Patent No. 11,145,215

**JOINT REQUEST TO TREAT SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS
BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. § 317(b)**

Petitioner Google LLC (“Google” or “Petitioner”) and Patent Owner Rafqa Star, LLC (“Rafqa” or “Patent Owner”) (collectively, the “Parties”) are filing, concurrently with a Joint Motion to Terminate Proceedings, a true copy of an executed agreement resolving the Parties’ disputes and agreeing to terminate this proceeding and the parties’ related district court proceeding (Exhibit 1020).

The parties jointly request, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c), and the December 5, 2023, authorization of the Board, that the agreement (Ex. 1020) be treated as business confidential information and kept separate from the public files of the involved patent (U.S. Patent No. 11,145,215) and *inter partes* review proceeding. The agreement describes the confidential terms resolving the Parties’ dispute, which constitutes confidential information under the Board’s rules. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.54. The Parties hereby certify that, to the best of their knowledge, the documents sought to be protected have not been made publicly available.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing **JOINT REQUEST TO TREAT SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AS BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION** was served on December 7, 2023, via email directed to counsel of record for the Patent Owner at the following:

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