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Dr. Alexander Korchagin (second from right), General Director of the Russian Patent and Trademark Office (Rospatent), led one of the PBN-hosted delegations on intellectual property rights in Washington D.C. Also pictured (left to right) Rospatent's Valentina Orlova and Alexander Ashikhin, and Russian Duma Member Aleksandr Yashin.

What if you were Diageo, trademark owner of the world famous SMIRNOFF vodka and, as you walked into a local Ukrainian grocery store, you saw a copycat bottle of vodka being sold under the name of "Boris Smirnov?" Or you were Coca-Cola, and discovered that someone had registered dozens of your famous trademarks at the Russian patent and trademark office and was now offering to sell them back to you, for a "reasonable fee?" What if you were one of more than 25 international manufacturers of drugs who, today, report at least one of their brands is counterfeited in Russia?

These are not hypothetical "what ifs?" These are real examples of the thievery, extortion and other trademark infringements that occur every day in Russia, Ukraine, other CIS countries and the Baltic States.

PBN Manages Top IP Delegations from Russia, Ukraine and Moldova to U.S.

Legislators and PTO officials time trip with INTA Annual Meeting in Washington D.C. [\[click here for full story\]](#)

PBN Lobbies New IP Reform Laws in Russia and Ukraine

Legislation would put countries in line with international IP standards. [\[click here for full story\]](#)

Counterfeit Medicines = 12% of Russian Marketplace

Survey by two PBN clients finds that fake drugs cost \$250 million annually. [\[click here for full story\]](#)

The Coalition for Intellectual Property Rights

A public-private partnership founded and managed by PBN. [\[click here for full story\]](#)

Now in Russia...PBN Helps Anheuser-Busch Win 10 Year "Battle of the BUDs"

Beer giant now ready to sell world-famous BUD to Russia's 200 million consumers. [\[click here for full story\]](#)

It's not surprising then that intellectual property (IP) rights protection and enforcement is a priority of The PBN Company's work assignments for its many private sector clients investing and doing business in the region.

"Trademark violations, patent infringements and counterfeits are a pervasive problem in the Baltic States and CIS countries, costing businesses and governments billions of dollars each year in lost sales and lost tax revenues," says PBN Chairman & CEO Peter B. Necarsulmer. "IP violations are also key issues in bilateral trade relations with the U.S. and the European Union and a major obstacle for many of these countries' aspiration to join the World Trade Organization."

Global IP issues recently came under the spotlight in Washington D.C. this past May, as the International Trademark Association (INTA) held its 124th Annual Meeting in the nation's capital. It also gave The PBN Company an opportunity to draw attention to the imperative to strengthen IP enforcement and anti-counterfeiting in the former Soviet Union and Baltic States.

Working with our client, the Coalition for Intellectual Property Rights, PBN undertook a busy week of meetings, speeches, roundtable discussions, receptions and a toast or two to cooperation and goodwill as the private sector and public sector work together on strategies to stop counterfeits and protect trademarks in the CIS countries and Baltic States.

In this issue of Access PBN is a summary of the week's events and a sampling of The PBN Company's work in this extremely urgent public policy issue.

News from PBN

PBN's management team and directors meet in D.C. to plan company's continued growth and highest quality client services.

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When the International Trademark Association (INTA) came to Washington D.C. this past May for its 124th Annual Meeting, so too did more than 6,500 patent and trademark lawyers and policy experts from around the globe. As part of this impressive cadre of the world's leading IP authorities were two delegations of IP leaders from Russia, Ukraine and Moldova.

The PBN Company, through its work for the Coalition for Intellectual Property Rights (CIPR), managed both of these delegations. The first delegation included four senior Russian State Duma Deputies who lead the Russian Parliament's efforts on IP legislation. This delegation was co-sponsored by CIPR and The Open World Program of the Center for Russian Leadership Development at the Library of Congress.

The second delegation included patent and trademark officials from Russia, Ukraine and Moldova. Also sponsored by CIPR, their trip to Washington DC was made possible by a significant contribution from the U.S. Department of Commerce's Commercial Law Development Program and CIPR member companies.

In addition to attending the INTA events, the delegations held substantive discussions with the US Trade Representative IP Working Group for Russia, members of the Federal Trade Commission's Office of Consumer Protection, US-Russia Business Council, The Library of Congress Copyright Office, The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and trade associations representing the pharmaceutical, software, recording, and other industries.

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Pictured top to bottom:
Former U.S. Ambassador James Collins with
Duma Members Adrian G. Puzanovskiy and
Aleksandr Yashin.

“The frank and open dialogue between the delegation members and their U.S. counterparts helped to move forward IP reforms in the region,” said PBN’s Senior Vice President Paul Nathanson, who managed the delegations. “It was a busy week of tangible initiatives to advance IP legislation to bring their laws into compliance with international standards.”

A reception in honor of the visiting delegations, held at the Library of Congress in a room overlooking the U.S. Capitol, was a highlight of the week’s events. Co-sponsored by CIPR, INTA and the Center for Russian Leadership Development at the Library of Congress, more than 150 guests pledged commitment to continued collaboration on IP protection and enforcement in the region.

At the reception, Alan Drewson, INTA’s executive director, Frank Hellwig, CIPR’s chairman and Ambassador James Collins, board member of the Center for Russian Leadership Development at the Library of Congress, all pledged to continue working together to advance IP reforms in the region. Congressman Howard Coble, chairman of the House Subcommittee on the Courts, Internet and Intellectual Property, also spoke at the reception, urging ongoing dialogue among Eastern European and CIS countries and the United States on this important issue.

IP reforms also took a prominent role at the INTA Annual Meeting. On Wednesday of that week, a panel called “Getting a Grip on Trips: Eastern Europe/Baltic States/CIS Over a Decade Later” was organized by the INTA Subcommittee chaired by Janet Hoffman, Partner with Fross Zelnick Lehrman & Zissu of New York, and Gordana Pavlovic of Cabinet Pavolic of Yugoslavia and Belgium. Panelists included Eugene Arievidh, Baker & McKenzie, Russia; Jaroslaw Kulikowski, Kulikowska and Kulikowski, Poland; Kataline Szamozi, S.B.G. & K. Patent & Law Office, Hungary; and PBN Chairman Peter B. Necarsulmer. Janet Hoffman and Eugene Arievidh also serve as Co-Counsel to CIPR and Peter Necarsulmer is CIPR’s President.

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PBN Chairman and CIPR President, Peter Necarsulmer, moderates a panel discussion among the Russian Duma members and Rospatent’s Korchagin with representatives of the U.S. business community.

Alan Drewson, Executive Director of INTA, and Peter Necarsulmer mark growing cooperation between INTA and CIPR. Janet Hoffman, Partner with Fross, Zelnick Lehrman and Zissu and CIPR Co-Counsel, looks on.



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PBN Lobbies New IP Reform Laws in Russia and Ukraine

Two major legislative packages are winding their way through the parliaments of Russia and Ukraine. Both would bring these countries' IP laws into compliance with international treaties and standards. Both stand a good chance of passing, according to PBN's lobbyists in Moscow and Kyiv, who are playing key coordinating roles for the private sector to urge passage of the legislation.

In Russia, the amendments to the country's Law on Trademarks, Criminal Code, Administrative Code and Customs Code are scheduled for second readings in the State Duma in the fall.

The proposed IP amendments were submitted to the State Duma Committee on Economic Policy and Business after a thorough review by an ad-hoc group of State Duma Deputies, Rospatent, Anti-Monopoly Committee, CIPR, the Brands Protection Group and other business and IP NGOs. This unique review process led to a consensus among all major government and private sector interest groups, paving the way for what many predict are favorable conditions for ultimate approval.

"The proposed IP amendments, which incorporate comments from the public and private sector, are responsive to the needs of IP holders, regulators and law enforcement authorities," says Alexander Shelemekh, PBN's Senior Vice President, who is a key member of the ad-hoc group. "This foundation of cooperation and leadership gives the legislative package a good chance of receiving ultimate approval this fall, taking Russia one step closer to WTO accession."

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Pictured top to bottom:
Duma Member Petr Shelishch addresses the CIPR Executive Policy Committee on the status of amendments to Russia's Trademark Law and Customs Code.

PBN's Myron Wasyluk with Volodymyr Zharov of the Ukrainian patent and trademark Office, Nickolay Taran of the Moldova patent and trademark office and Oleg Bachun, Judge of the Kyiv Commercial Court.

PBN is gearing up an extensive lobbying effort for this legislation, including grassroots activities, letter writing, media relations, lobbying of key Duma and government officials, coalition building and other activities.

The amendments to the trademark laws include stronger protections for well-known trademarks, a definition of counterfeit products, and provision for physical destruction of seized counterfeit goods by court decision. Its passage is slated for fall 2002.

The proposed amendments to the Customs Code are scheduled for second reading in September, but could be delayed due to the last-minute introduction of alternative draft amendments by the Chairman of the State Customs Committee. The primary purposes of the amendments would be to define counterfeit goods as well as expand the authority of the Customs Service. For example, the amendments would empower Customs officials to seize counterfeit goods if they received an application from a legal trademark owner or had sufficient grounds to suspect that the goods in question could be counterfeit.

Ukrainian Laws Give Trademark Owners Additional Protections

The Ukrainian amendments, prepared for the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine by the State Department on Intellectual Property, will soon be introduced in the Ukrainian parliament, the Rada. The draft legislation changes 12 existing laws and regulations on intellectual property rights. If passed, they would bring Ukraine into compliance with international standards.

The omnibus draft law would allow trademark owners to file legal action for moral and material damages; apply for suspension of customs procedures if there is suspicion of infringement; and, seek to withdraw products and services that may confuse consumers from the marketplace. The amendments would also require notification through the mass media of committed infringements.

According to PBN's Senior Vice President Myron Wasyluk, who is the lead lobbyist for trademark owners, "These provisions vastly expand the rights of owners when compared to existing law and address many of the gaps in the current IP laws as identified in a comprehensive analysis recently conducted for CIPR."

The draft also expands the role of the courts. It provides the Higher Commercial Court with expanded authority and the ability to determine

reimbursement of property and non-property damages; payment of indemnification ranging from 10-50,000 times the minimum wage; withdrawal, confiscation and destruction of infringing products; and the destruction of material and equipment used for the illegal manufacturing or marketing of counterfeit products. The court will also be granted the right to inspect premises where infringing acts are believed to be committed; confiscate products, component parts, material and equipment; and, suspend bank accounts.

“There’s considerable work that still needs to be done in Ukraine on this comprehensive legislation, but the time is right for action and results,” says Wasylyk.

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Counterfeit Medicines = 12% of Russian Marketplace

More than one in 10 prescription medicines, over-the-counter drugs and other pharmaceutical goods in Russia are fake, according to a recent survey conducted by The PBN Company for two of its clients, the Association of International Pharmaceutical Manufacturers (AIPM) and Coalition for Intellectual Property Rights (CIPR).

This unprecedented research of more than 50 international and Russian pharmaceutical companies reveals that an unexpectedly high percentage of all medicines sold on the Russian pharmaceutical market — 12 percent — are counterfeits, and that resulting financial losses to pharmaceutical manufacturers exceed \$250 million annually.

The study was conducted from 20 March 2002 to 15 April 2002 by The PBN Company and GLS Research, and was released at a press conference, organized by PBN at INTERFAX headquarters in Moscow, where more than two dozen international and Russian media outlets attended.

The reported volume of counterfeit medicines sold in Russia is two-to-four times higher than previous industry and Russian government estimates, which had pegged the problem at between 2.7 to 7 percent.

More than half of the foreign and domestic pharmaceutical companies report at least one of their products is currently the victim of counterfeiting, a strong indicator of the depth of Russia's pharmaceutical counterfeiting problems. The list of counterfeits include widely prescribed medicines and life-saving drugs, including antibiotics, gastro-intestinal medications, endocrinology treatments,

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Pictured top to bottom:
PBN Chairman and CEO Peter Necarsulmer (left) and AIPM President Robert Rosen at AIPM-CIPR press briefing.

Peter Necarsulmer (left) greets Sergey Zaitsev, Head of Pharmaceutical Inspection for the RF Ministry of Health, at June press event where AIPM-CIPR Progress Report was released.

pain relievers, antihistamines and cardio-vascular and central nervous system drugs.

“Counterfeiters of pharmaceutical products, who prey on the sick and weak, are especially insidious and sinister,” says PBN Chairman and CEO Peter B. Necarsulmer. “That is why there is a particular effort on the part of the Russian government and industry to work together to make it a crime, punishable by long stays in the Russian prison system, for those that import, manufacture, distribute, trade or sell counterfeit medicines.”

The full version of the survey and additional information and photographs are on the AIPM and CIPR websites.

Recently The PBN Company also helped AIPM and CIPR release a Progress Report analyzing the primary anti-counterfeiting measures taken by public and private organizations during the past six months and providing recommendations for future actions. The report was presented to the public at a press briefing on 19 June 2002.

Participants included PBN Chairman and CIPR President Peter Necarsulmer; Tatiana Rodionova, Commercial Director, Aventis; AIPM Executive Director Robert Rosen; CIPR Vice President Alexander Shelemekh; State Duma Deputy Petr Shelisch; Vadim Yakunin, Chairman of the Board, Protek; Dmitry Yanin, Vice President, Consumer Societies Confederation (KonfOP); Svetlana Zavidova, Attorney at Law, KonfOP; and, Sergey Zaitsev, Head of Pharmaceutical Inspection, Russian Federation Ministry of Health. Go to AIPM's or CIPR's website for a full copy of the report.

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The Coalition for Intellectual Property Rights

Launched by The PBN Company three years ago, the Coalition for Intellectual Property Rights (CIPR) is a catalyst for public and private cooperation to protect and enforce intellectual property rights in the former Soviet Union and Baltic states.

Now regarded as the leading NGO working to improve IP rights in these 15 countries, CIPR has official Observer Status with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva and is the only NGO accredited with the intergovernmental CIS Interstate Council on Intellectual Property. The PBN Company manages all CIPR activities and our staff serves as CIPR representatives in Moscow, Kyiv, Almaty, Riga, Vilnius, Tallinn, Chisinau, Washington D.C., and London.

CIPR's corporate members represent some of the world's most famous trademark owners in the food, beverage, pharmaceutical, fashion, computer and tobacco industries, and its 26 Associate Members are the leading international and regional businesses and IPR organizations in the region. CIPR's work focuses on six areas:

- **Research**, including opinion, economic research, legislative analysis and fiscal impact studies.
- **Education**, including symposiums, workshops, position papers, legal memoranda, advocacy documents, regular press briefings and other educational outreach activities.
- **Training**, including those designed for PTO directors, enforcement authorities, judicial officials and legislators.
- **Legislative Initiatives**, including evaluating each country's laws and administrative codes and sponsoring new legislation, regulations and amendments.
- **International Affairs**, including ensuring support for reforming and modernizing IPR regimes from international trading

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Pictured top to bottom:
PBN Chairman and CIPR President Peter Necarsulmer leads discussion between delegation members and CIPR's Executive Policy Committee.

CIPR Chairman Frank Hellwig, who is also Senior Associate General Counsel for Anheuser-Busch Companies, welcomes the Russian, Ukrainian and Moldovan delegations at a special reception at the Library of Congress.

bodies, governments, embassies and various diplomatic representations.

- **Advocacy**, including working on behalf of its members to protect their intellectual property rights and interests through direct communications with patent and trademark offices as well as leaders at both the “highest” and the “working” levels of government.

A recent sampling of CIPR events highlights the busy schedule of the organization. In addition to coordinating all recent activities associated with INTA's Annual Meeting, this spring CIPR sponsored a judicial reform seminar in Ukraine (April 22-23), a roundtable on the fight against counterfeit drugs in Russia (April 16), two joint meetings with IP policymakers in Moscow and presentations at the Euroforum conference (January 28-29). CIPR has also been a featured speaker at events organized by Interpol, the World Intellectual Property Organization, the International Trademark Association, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, among others.

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Now in Russia...PBN Helps Anheuser-Busch Win 10 Year "Battle of the BUDs"

Anheuser-Busch (A-B) Companies' efforts to register its "BUD" trademarks in Russia is a case in point about the importance of IP protection and enforcement.

A-B had previously been blocked from selling its world-famous "BUD" beer in Russia because of an Appellation of Origin registration for BUD by the Czech brewery, Budejovicky Budvar (Budvar). Although the Appellation of Origin had been registered first, it had been applied for after A-B had applied to register BUD as a trademark.

Budvar based its previous registration on the faulty claim that "BUD" was an "Appellation of Origin" (A/O). An A/O is a special kind of designation for products that have a special quality that is exclusively and essentially due to the geographical environment in which the products are produced. "Champagne," the sparkling wine produced in France, is probably the best example of a well known A/O.

Budvar asserted that BUD is an A/O for the town Cezke Budejovice in the Czech Republic, a claim widely rejected by courts and other tribunals in many countries.

A-B hired The PBN Company to work closely with the company's in house legal team and outside legal advisors in Russia and New York to build the case of why A-B trademark protection was not only beneficial for the company but for the government as well.

The PBN Company's first task was to clear up the misconceptions surrounding the case — to communicate to Russian government

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leaders at all levels that “BUD” is not, and never was, a geographic term and, therefore, cannot be an A/O under any IP standard — local or international.

The PBN Company also used “BUD” as an example of the impact of lax IP protection in the Russian Federation on foreign and domestic investment. The case was built with Russian policy markers, in particular patent and trademark officials, about the importance of adhering to international standards and national laws.

The effort led Rospatent, the Russian Federation patent and trademark office, to cancel Budvar’s A/O registration on the grounds that BUD is not a geographic term. This ruling cleared the way for A-B to register the “BUD” name for its beer with Rospatent, which was approved in May 2001. As a result, the first bottles of A-B’s BUD beer were sold in January 2002, with the company considering significant investments in the marketplace in the future.

The PBN Company has also worked with A-B and its legal team in the Baltic States, Moldova, Kazakhstan and other CIS countries for similar results and similar rewards.

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A Bunch of Geniuses

Well, maybe not. But PBN's Management Team did have fun hanging out at the Einstein Statue during a break in their annual management retreat. Senior managers from Washington DC, London, Moscow, Kyiv and Riga were in town in mid-May for three days of meeting to plan the firm's growth and continued client successes. For fun, they biked the sites and monuments of downtown Washington.

The Turning 40 Club (or PBN's MidLife Crises!)

Four PBN Veeps celebrate their 40th birthdays this year. Romans Baumanis (Baltics) leads the pack, with his 40th on June 15. He is followed by Mikhail Goncharov (Moscow) on July 23, Myron Wasyluk (Ukraine) on August 25 and, last but not least, Paul Nathanson (Washington D.C.) on December 28.

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Return Engagement

A long-time friend and former employee of The PBN Company is back. Alexander Kolchin is working with The PBN Company on a six-month contract basis to oversee the firm's move to our new Moscow office (see more about our new offices in the next edition) and to provide management consulting service on ways to better organize our growing Moscow operations. Welcome Back Kolchin!

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PBN's Management Team takes a break from its retreat to bike the sites of Washington DC. Here the group is trying to get inspiration from the genius himself.

THE TURNING 40 CROWD



Romans Baumanis,
June 15th



Myron Wasyluk,
August 25th



Mikhail Goncharov,
July 23rd



Paul Nathanson,
December 28th

Also back is Tatiana Nikulshina (Moscow), who was on a seven-month maternity leave. It's good to have Tanya back!

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I.T.'S Official

Sonia Park, who recently stepped in on a temporary basis to help with PBN's recent IP delegations, has become a permanent fixture in the D.C. office. She will manage the firm's IT needs and assist on D.C. client accounts.

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Some Assistance Please

Please welcome Ekaterina Pazyi, who joins the firm as Peter Necarsulmer's executive assistant. Ekaterina will be based in the firm's Moscow office. Good luck, Ekaterina!

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Summer of (Some) Fun

Also welcome to Courtney Duke who joined the Washington D.C. office as a summer intern. In September, Courtney starts her Junior year at American University's School of International Service.

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Well Wishes

Please also join us in sending well wishes to Susan Fischer, who left the firm after three years to pursue a career in teaching children English as a second language. Thank you Susan for all your hard work and dedication to PBN. We miss you already!

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