IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

CREATIVE IMPACT INC.; ZURU LLC; ZURU INC.,)))
*) Case No.: 1:18-cv-07531
Plaintiffs,)
V.)
THE INDIVIDUALS, CORPORATIONS,)
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES,)
PARTNERSHIPS, AND)
UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS)
IDENTIFIED ON SCHEDULE A HERETO,)
)
Defendants.	

PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ORDER

THIS CAUSE being before the Court on CREATIVE IMPACT INC., ZURU LLC, and ZURU INC.'s (collectively "Plaintiffs") Motion for a Preliminary Injunction ("Motion") against the Defendants identified on Schedule A to the Complaint (collectively, the "Defendants") and using at least the domain names identified in Schedule A (the "Defendant Domain Names") and the online marketplace accounts identified in Schedule A (the "Online Marketplace Accounts"), and this Court having heard the evidence before it hereby GRANTS Plaintiffs' Motion in its entirety.

This Court further finds that it has personal jurisdiction over the Defendants because the Defendants directly target their business activities toward consumers in the United States, including Illinois, offering to sell and ship products into this Judicial District. Specifically, Defendants are reaching out to do business with Illinois residents by operating one or more

commercial, interactive Internet Stores through which Illinois residents can purchase products bearing counterfeit versions of the BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark, U.S. Trademark Registration No.: 4709630.

THIS COURT FURTHER FINDS that injunctive relief previously granted in the Temporary Restraining Order ("TRO") [14] (as extended on November 30, 2018 [19] and December 17, 2018 [26] and currently in place until January 1, 2019) should remain in place through the pendency of this litigation and that issuing this Preliminary Injunction is warranted under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65. Evidence submitted in support of this Motion and in support of Plaintiffs' previously granted Motion for a Temporary Restraining Order establishes that Plaintiffs have a likelihood of success on the merits; that no remedy at law exists; and that Plaintiffs will suffer irreparable harm if the injunction is not granted.

Specifically, through the Declarations of Jens Schott Knudsen, Jessica Arnaiz, and Nicholas A. Kurtz and accompanying evidence, Plaintiffs have proved a prima facie case of trademark infringement because (1) the BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark is a distinctive mark and registered with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the Principal Register, (2) Defendants are not licensed or authorized to use any of the BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark, and (3) Defendants' use of the BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark are causing a likelihood of confusion as to the origin or sponsorship of Defendants' products with Plaintiffs. Furthermore, Defendants' continued and unauthorized use of the BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark irreparably harms Plaintiffs through diminished goodwill and brand confidence, damage to Plaintiffs' reputation, loss of exclusivity, and loss of future sales. Monetary damages fail to address such damage and, therefore, Plaintiffs have an inadequate remedy at law. Moreover, the public interest is served by entry of this Preliminary Injunction to dispel the public confusion created by Defendants' actions.

Accordingly, this Court ORDERS that:

- 1. Defendants, their affiliates, officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, confederates, and all persons acting for, with, by, through, under or in active concert with them be temporarily enjoined and restrained from:
 - reproductions, counterfeit copies or colorable imitations thereof in any manner in connection with the distribution, marketing, advertising, offering for sale, or sale of any product that is not a genuine BUNCH O BALLOONS product or not authorized by Plaintiffs to be sold in connection with Plaintiffs BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark;
 - b. passing off, inducing, or enabling others to sell or pass off any product as a genuine BUNCH O BALLOONS product or any other product produced by Plaintiffs, that is not Plaintiffs' or not produced under the authorization, control, or supervision of Plaintiffs and approved by Plaintiffs for sale under Plaintiffs' BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark;
 - c. committing any acts calculated to cause consumers to believe that

 Defendants' products are those sold under the authorization, control or
 supervision of Plaintiffs, or are sponsored by, approved by, or otherwise
 connected with Plaintiffs;
 - d. further infringing Plaintiffs' BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark and damaging Plaintiffs' goodwill;
 - e. otherwise competing unfairly with Plaintiffs in any manner;

- f. shipping, delivering, holding for sale, transferring or otherwise moving, storing, distributing, returning, or otherwise disposing of, in any manner, products or inventory not manufactured by or for Plaintiffs, nor authorized by Plaintiffs to be sold or offered for sale, and which bear any of Plaintiffs' BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark or any reproductions, counterfeit copies or colorable imitations thereof;
- g. using, linking to, transferring, selling, exercising control over, or otherwise owning the Online Marketplace Accounts, the Defendant Domain Names, or any other domain name or online marketplace account that is being used to sell or is the means by which Defendants could continue to sell counterfeit BUNCH O BALLOONS products; and
- h. operating and/or hosting websites at the Defendant Domain Names and any other domain names registered or operated by Defendants that are involved with the distribution, marketing, advertising, offering for sale, or sale of any product bearing Plaintiffs' BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark or any reproductions, counterfeit copies or colorable imitations thereof that is not a genuine BUNCH O BALLOONS product or not authorized by Plaintiffs to be sold in connection with Plaintiffs' BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark.
- 2. Each Defendant, within fourteen (14) days after receiving notice of this Order, shall serve upon Plaintiffs a written report under oath providing: (a) their true name and physical address, (b) all websites and online marketplace accounts on any platform that they own and/or

operate (c) their financial accounts, including all PayPal accounts, and (d) the steps taken by each Defendant to comply with paragraph 1, a through h, above.

- 3. The domain name registries for the Defendant Domain Names, including, but not Limited to, VeriSign, Inc., Neustar, Inc., Afilias Limited, CentralNic, Nominet, and the Public Interest Registry, within three (3) business days of receipt of this Order or prior to expiration of this Order, whichever date shall occur first, shall, at Plaintiffs' choosing:
 - a. unlock and change the registrar of record for the Defendant Domain

 Names to a registrar of Plaintiffs' selection until further ordered by this

 Court, and the domain name registrars shall take any steps necessary to

 transfer the Defendant Domain Names to a registrar of Plaintiffs'

 selection until further ordered by this Court; or
 - b. disable the Defendant Domain Names and make them inactive and untransferable until further ordered by this Court.
- 4. Those in privity with Defendants and with actual notice of this Order, including any online marketplaces such as iOffer and Alibaba Group Holding Ltd., Alipay.com Co., Ltd. and any related Alibaba entities (collectively, "Alibaba"), social media platforms, Facebook, YouTube, LinkedIn, Twitter, Internet search engines such as Google, Bing and Yahoo, web hosts for the Defendant Domain Names, and domain name registrars, shall within three (3) business days of receipt of this Order:
 - a. disable and cease providing services for any accounts through which
 Defendants engage in the sale of counterfeit and infringing goods using
 the BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark, including any accounts
 associated with the Defendants listed on Schedule A;

- b. disable and cease displaying any advertisements used by or associated with Defendants in connection with the sale of counterfeit and infringing goods using the BUNCH O BALLOONS Trademark; and
- c. take all steps necessary to prevent links to the Defendant Domain Names identified on Schedule A from displaying in search results, including, but not limited to, removing links to the Defendant Domain Names from any search index.
- 5. Defendants and any third party with actual notice of this Order who is providing services for any of the Defendants, or in connection with any of Defendants' websites at the Defendant Domain Names or other websites operated by Defendants, including, without limitation, any online marketplace platforms such as iOffer and Alibaba, advertisers, Facebook, Internet Service Providers ("ISP"), web hosts, back-end service providers, web designers, sponsored search engine or ad-word providers, banks, merchant account providers, including PayPal, Alibaba, Western Union, third party processors and other payment processing service providers, shippers, and domain name registrars (collectively, the "Third Party Providers") shall, within five (5) business days after receipt of such notice, provide to Plaintiffs expedited discovery, including copies of all documents and records in such person's or entity's possession or control relating to:
 - a. The identities and locations of Defendants, their agents, servants, employees, confederates, attorneys, and any persons acting in concert or participation with them, including all known contact information;
 - b. the nature of Defendants' operations and all associated sales and financial information, including, without limitation, identifying information

associated with the Online Marketplace Accounts, the Defendant Domain Names, and Defendants' financial accounts, as well as providing a full accounting of Defendants' sales and listing history related to their respective Online Marketplace Accounts and Defendant Domain Names;

- c. Defendants' websites and/or any Online Marketplace Accounts;
- d. The Defendant Domain Names or any domain name registered by Defendants; and
- e. Any financial accounts owned or controlled by Defendants, including their agents, servants, employees, confederates, attorneys, and any persons acting in concert or participation with them, including such accounts residing with or under the control of any banks, savings and loan associations, payment processors or other financial institutions, including, without limitation, PayPal, Alibaba, Western Union, or other merchant account providers, payment providers, third party processors, and credit card associations (e.g., MasterCard and VISA).
- 6. Defendants and any persons in active concert or participation with them who have actual notice of this Order shall be temporarily restrained and enjoined from transferring or disposing of any money or other of Defendants' assets until further ordered by this Court.
- 7. Western Union shall, within two (2) business days of receipt of this Order, block any Western Union money transfers and funds from being received by the Defendants identified in Schedule A until further ordered by this Court.
- 8. PayPal, Inc. ("PayPal") shall, within two (2) business days of receipt of this Order, for any Defendant or any of Defendants' Online Marketplace Accounts or websites:

- a. Locate all accounts and funds connected to and related to Defendants, Defendants' Online Marketplace Accounts or Defendants' websites, including, but not limited to, any PayPal accounts connected to and related to the information listed in Schedule A to the Complaint; and
- b. Restrain and enjoin any such accounts or funds from transferring or disposing of any money or other of Defendants' assets until further ordered by this Court.
- 9. Amazon Payments, Inc. ("Amazon") and its related companies and affiliates shall, within two (2) business days of receipt of this Order, identify and restrain all funds, as opposed to ongoing account activity, in or which hereafter are transmitted into the Amazon accounts related to Defendants as identified on Schedule A to the Complaint, as well as all funds in or which are transmitted into (i) any other accounts of the same customer(s), (ii) any other accounts which transfer funds into the same financial institution account(s), and/or any of the other Amazon accounts subject to this Order; and (iii) any other Amazon accounts tied to or used by any of the Seller IDs identified on Schedule A to the Complaint; Amazon shall further, provide Plaintiffs' counsel with all data which details (i) an accounting of the total funds restrained and identifies the financial account(s) which the restrained funds are related to, and (ii) the account transactions related to all funds transmitted into the financial account(s) which have been restrained. Such restraining of the funds and the disclosure of the related financial institution account information shall be made without notice to the account owners until after those accounts are restrained. No funds restrained by this Order shall be transferred or surrendered by Amazon for any

purpose (other than pursuant to a chargeback made pursuant to Amazon's security interest in the funds) without the express authorization of this Court;

- 10. Any banks, savings and loan associations, payment processors, or other financial institutions, for any Defendant or any of Defendants' Online Marketplace Accounts or websites, shall within two (2) business days of receipt of this Order:
 - a. Locate all accounts and funds connected to Defendants, Defendants'
 Online Marketplace Accounts or Defendants' websites, including, but not
 limited to, any accounts connected to the information listed in Schedule
 A to the Complaint; and
 - b. Restrain and enjoin such accounts from receiving, transferring or disposing of any money or other of Defendants' assets until further ordered by this Court.
- 11. Plaintiffs may provide notice of these proceedings to Defendants, including notice of the preliminary injunction hearing and service of process pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 4(f)(3), by electronically publishing a link to the Complaint, this Order and other relevant documents on a website to which the Defendant Domain Names which are transferred to Plaintiffs' control will redirect, or by sending an e-mail to all e-mail addresses identified by Plaintiffs and any e-mail addresses provided for Defendants by third parties that includes a link to said website. The Clerk of Court is directed to issue a single original summons in the name of "THE INDIVIDUALS, CORPORATIONS, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES, PARTNERSHIPS, AND UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS IDENTIFIED ON SCHEDULE A HERETO" that shall apply to all Defendants. The combination of providing notice via electronic publication or e-mail,

along with any notice that Defendants receive from domain name registrars and payment

processors, shall constitute notice reasonably calculated under all circumstances to apprise

Defendants of the pendency of the action and afford them the opportunity to present their

objections.

12. Plaintiffs' Schedule A to the Complaint, Exhibit 1 to the Declaration of Jessica

Arnaiz, and the TRO shall be unsealed.

13. Any Defendants that are subject to this Order may appear and move to dissolve or

modify the Order on two days' notice to Plaintiffs or on shorter notice as set by this Court.

14. The Court Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) bond posted by Plaintiffs shall remain

with the Court until a Final disposition of this case or until this Preliminary Injunction is terminated.

Dated: December 21, 2018

United States District Judge

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