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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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IBG LLC, INTERACTIVE BROKERS LLC, CQG, INC., and CQGT, LLC, Petitioner,

v.

TRADING TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., Patent Owner.

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CBM2016-00009 Patent 7,685,055 B2

Before SALLY C. MEDLEY, MEREDITH C. PETRAVICK, and JEREMY M. PLENZLER, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PETRAVICK, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION
Joint Motion to Terminate
37 C.F.R. § 42.73

On February 26, 2016, the parties informed the Board that the parties had settled the proceeding with respect to CQG, Inc. and CQGT, LLC (collectively, "CQG") and that the parties sought authorization to file a joint motion to terminate the proceeding with respect to CQG. On March 1,



2016, and pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 327(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74, the parties filed a joint motion to terminate the proceeding with respect to CQG. Paper 14. The parties also filed a joint request to have their settlement agreement treated as confidential business information under 35 U.S.C. § 327(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). Paper 15. In the joint motion, the parties represent that the settlement agreement filed is a true copy and resolves all disputes between CQG and Patent Owner. Paper 14, 2.

This proceeding is in its early stages, and a decision on institution has not issued. Thus, the merits have not yet been decided. Based on the facts of this proceeding, we determine that it is appropriate to terminate this proceeding with respect to CQG. The proceeding is not terminated with respect to IBG LLC or Interactive Brokers LLC.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the parties' joint request that the settlement agreement be treated as business confidential information, to be kept separate from the patent file is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the joint motion to terminate the proceeding with respect to CQG is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the proceeding will continue with IBG LLC and Interactive Brokers LLC as Petitioner.

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