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To: [TM FR Notices](#)
Subject: Proposed Fee for Letter of Protest
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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to voice my concern about the proposed \$100-200 fee for filing a letter of protest.

I file letters of protest because it endangers my business when everyday words and idioms are registered as a trademark.

The USPTO has been approving frivolous trademarks without researching to see if the words are already in common use. These trademarks impact my business in these ways: i can no longer print these everyday words on textiles, phone cases, mugs... or use them in their descriptions on my online shop. But this is existential for me.

A fee would present a hardship to me because there are already so many frivolous, everyday words and phrases angemeldet, that I would be just as existentially endangered with a fee.

Please consider changing the examiner's trademark review process for apparel items to include a online search to rule out widespread use.

Instead of burdening small business owners with paying for letters of protest, consider increasing the cost of filing a trademark to cover USPTO's operational costs.

Sincerely,

Your name
Roland B.