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EU's Digital Agenda/IPR Strategy

"A Single Market for IPRs"....the "answer is in the Single Market" – Commission Communication in May 2011 – the challenges:

- "high transaction costs"
- a "knowledge gap"
- a mismatch between enforcement and digital environment Key policy initiatives, including those announced 2012 workplan
- Framework Directive on Collective Rights Management
- GP on Licensing practices in the AV sector
- A European Copyright Code? A EU Copyright Registry? UGCs?
- Private copy levies new legislation?
- Proposal for Orphan Works Directive
- Review of the Copyright Directive
- Review of the Enforcement Directive



More recently: Communication on the E-Commerce Directive

 Reprises many of the same issues but also reviews the E-Commerce Directive

International dimension - WIPO/ACTA/FTAs

Political Pressure and the irrational debate

- EU level focus is how to manage exclusive rights and how to limit them in service of the Internal Market.
 - Sacrificing copyright protection for growth?!
- National level:
 - UK Google Review Hargreaves Report Copyright Consultation
 - Ongoing Copyright Reviews across the EU
- Issues Adapting copyright to the digital era
 - Orphan Works/Out of commerce works
 - UGC permissions
 - Rights management (film is not music)
 - Simplify licensing/reduce transactions costs
 - Territoriality
 - Copyright registries/exchanges
 - New exceptions (and making old ones mandatory)
 - EU Copyright Code
- US fair use as a panacea to European ailments
- The role of the Court of Justice (the *Premier League* message?)

EU Audiovisual Green Paper – Last summer

- Consultation ongoing
- European film production/distribution
- Rights Clearance
- Role of collective management in AV sector in EU "digital single market".
- Role of the Cable and Satellite Directive
- Territoriality of copyright
- Mandatory collective administration of a statutory remuneration right for authors and performers for the online exploitation (making available)
- Special uses and beneficiaries e.g., archives



Orphan Works

- Proposal for Directive adopted in May
- Currently before the EP and Council
- Public interest beneficiaries (commercial broadcasters?) for their public interest mission
- Diligent Search
- Cross-border
- Consideration of the AV sector
- National rights management, incl ECL, intact but no cross-border effect
- Is this an exception?





Collective Rights Management

- A legal framework for collective rights management
- Two main elements:
 - Minimum requirements transparency, supervision and good governance of <u>all</u> collecting societies
 - Facilitating multi-territorial licensing of music
- One size does not fit all
- CRM in the AV sector
- A vehicle for broader reform?
- Role of ECL
- Commission working on Impact Assessment
- Proposal expected this spring

Private Copy Levies

- Recent CJEU caselaw in particular *Padawan*, with two more recent referrals
- Fundamental questions:
 - Legal source
 - Copying pursuant to a license
 - Lockers/Remote PVRs
- Previous industry/collecting societies discussions failed
- New efforts to achieve stakeholder agreement
- Mission Impossible: A high-level mediator with a mandate to explore possible approaches to harmonise the methodologies used at national level
- Legislative action in 2013

On the horizon

- All roads lead to a close evaluation of the © Directive
- What about definition of film authorship?
- Other film copyright issues – transfer
- © contracts
- Better enforcement of the EU © acquis?





Court of Justice of the EU (CJEU)

- Submerged last year including:
 - Scarlet v. Sabam (CJEU 24 November)
 - ThuisKopie private copy levy (CJEU 16 June)
 - Irish Hotels (AG 29 June)
 - Italian Dentists (AG 29 June)
 - L'Oreal v. eBay (CJEU 12 July)
 - Austrian Cessio Legis (AG 6 September)
 - Premier League (CJEU 4 October)
 - Airfield (CJEU 13 October)
 - ePhone case (AG 13 November)
 - DK TV2 v. NCB (AG 17 Jan 2012)
- Pending: Sabam v. Netlog, Infopaq II
- New References:
 - ITV v. TV Catchup (streaming/catchup rts)
 - UsedSoft v. Oracle (exhaustion)
 - DataCo v. Sportradar (country of origin sui generis DB right)
 - Two more private copy cases





Preliminary Remarks

- CJEU addresses only the communication to the public by satellite of broadcast signals incorporating PL matches
- Certain aspects look general how far?
 - Beyond live football?
 - Beyond satellite pay-TV?
- From a © perspective, some elements might limit the effects on film/TV content licensing....
- Of course, one must consider copyright points in conjunction with free movement and competition
- And finally the views of EU policy-makers (AV Green Paper) and enforcers (DG Competition)

Grey to White Cards

- For all content?
- For all services?
- Wither fraud, misuse, etc?
- Other RHs have no standing here but TPMs?
- Greek sports package costs more than Sky's
- Where does this leave the middlemen?
- What about cards from outside the EU?

Part A: Copyright Issues

- EU-level standard of originality
 - No copyright for football matches?
 - What if PL had more ©?
- CJEU seems to create a protection for sports events in order to make fundamental freedom and competition law analyses
- Remuneration for exploitation of works in EU
 - "appropriate remuneration" based on economic value and actual/potential audience
 - Remuneration for "each use" but no guarantee of "highest possible"

Part B: © after a nice reception - Reproduction

- Consistent with Infopaq/Uniform interpretation
- Covers transient fragments in STBs and TV screens
- Article 5(1) exception for certain temporary copies
 - Giveth and taketh away
 - Interpreted restrictively
 - a new technology privilege?
 - "enable the effectiveness of the exception"
 - Article 5(1)–(3) contains an exhaustive list
- Specific conditions of Article 5(1) of the Directive
 - lawful use
 - Relevant of the communication to the public right?
 - Independent economic significance "redundant"
- Backhander to the three-step test
- Ouch

Part B: © - Come to the Pub?

- High level of protection/Unity of the EU legal order
- Article 3(1) Directive 2001/29/EC
 - ES, GR, IE Hotels; IT Dentists; RO Circuses ...
 - Now English Pubs
 - Intentional access/Commercial benefit
 - A new public not present where broadcast originates (Cf., Newzbin1)
 - Leaving out <u>only live and stage performances</u>
 - What if you stay at home?
 - Looks like the pubs have infringed copyright...
 - Ramifications
 - A boon for collecting societies?
 - How do you exercise individually?
- Related rights of b'caster not before Court CabSat Directive was a red herring?

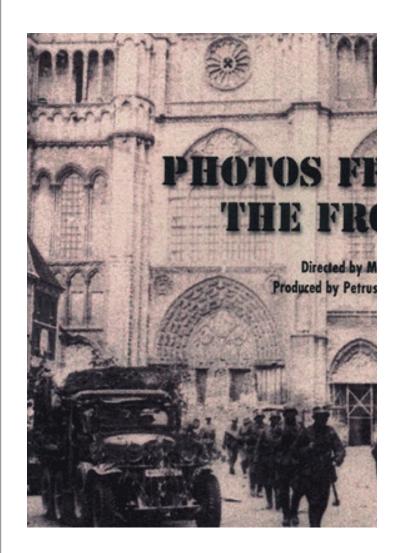
So what next?

- CJEU does not condemn territorial licenses but prohibits absolute territorial protections.
- So how does this work in practice?
- What about pre-sale of rights on a territorial basis to finance film/TV production?
- What value/cost exclusivity?
- What impact on windows (Cf., Art 8 AVMS Directive)
- Does Sky have set up service centres all over the EU?
- Who benefits?
- Who loses?
- What new models?



Case C-277/10, Austrian "Cessio Legis" (AG 6 Sept 11)

- Exploitation rights/legal transfer
- Film exploitation rights in respect of reproduction, satellite broadcasting and other communication to the public
- Beneficiary of payment equitable remuneration
- Are MS laws which assign exploitation rights directly and exclusively to the producer inconsistent with EU law?
- "Austrian model can be compatible with EU law as long as it satisfies certain conditions but not the split in equal parts of private copy levy



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