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***LEGAL OPINION***  
**on the trademarks protection in the Internet**

In concordance with part 1 article 1477 of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation (hereinafter referred to as CC RF), the exclusive right on the trademarks is recognized. Such exclusive right on the trademarks is established and guaranteed a "legal monopoly" of trademarks possessor of rights. But action of exclusive rights on the trademarks has a number of restrictions:

- Restriction on duration of exclusive rights (article 1491 CC RF);
- Restriction on territory of exclusive rights action (article 1479 CC RF);
- Exclusive right on trademarks remain valid only in relation to groups of goods and services, which are stated in registration certificate (article 1481 CC RF).

Exclusive right on the trademarks remain valid on the territory of the Russian Federation. But the legislator directly point out that a exclusive right on the trademarks makes it possible to the possessor of rights to use such trademark in the Internet, including in the domain names (point 5 part 2 article 1484 CC RF). Thereby, we can draw a conclusion that the exclusive right on the trademarks in the Internet is recognized and protected by Russian Federation in corpora.

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