Decision for dispute CAC-UDRP-100004

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Case administrator

Name	Tereza Bartošková (Case admin)

Complainant

Organization	ACCOR

Complainant representative

Organization	Dreyfus & associés

Respondent

Organization	VNT Corporation

OTHER LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Panel is not aware of any other legal proceedings which are pending or decided and which relate to the disputed domain name.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The Complainant operates hotels worldwide under the NOVOTEL brand including four hotels in Vietnam.

The Complainant is the owner of a number of registered trade marks consisting of or containing the word NOVOTEL, in a number of countries throughout the world, including Vietnam, and covering a range of goods and services, particularly in relation to hotels and restaurants. The earliest of the NOVOTEL trade marks registrations is international trade mark no. 352918, filed 25 November 1968.

The Complainant is the registrant of the domain names novotel.com; novotelhotels.com and novotelresort.com all of which were registered prior to the registration of the disputed domain name.

The domain name in issue <novotelvietnam.com>, was registered by the Respondent on 2 July 2008 with the registrar GODADDY.COM, Inc. This domain name resolves to a website featuring sponsored links for hotels in Vietnam.

FOR ALL THE REASONS STATED ABOVE, THE COMPLAINT IS

Accepted

AND THE DISPUTED DOMAIN NAME(S) IS (ARE) TO BE

1. **NOVOTELVIETNAM.COM**: Transferred

PANELLISTS

Name	**Veronica Bailey**

DATE OF PANEL DECISION 2009-02-26

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