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The WIPO Center creates and operates policies and facilities that aim to enhance the effectiveness of intellectual property dispute resolution. So far, parties from around the world have used these services in over 350 cases in a wide range of subjects and values. The WIPO Center furthermore has administered over 27,000 Internet domain name cases.