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Class of works: I am writing in support of Class #2 (DVD Region Coding): Audiovisual works stored on Digital Versatile Disks ("DVDs") that are not available in Region 1 DVD format and access to which is prevented by technological measures.

Summary:

Disc name: Makoto Shinkai, Hoshi no Koe (The Voice of a Distant Star), Animage. ISBN 4-19-861554-3

A DVD purchased in the United States was rejected as being in the wrong region by a Region 1 player.

I bought a book containing a DVD in a Japanese bookstore in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The DVD in question came with the book; there was no indication of regional coding on the outside of the sealed package containing the DVD. The book was a collection of story boards of the film on the DVD. The book's description is: Makoto Shinkai, Hoshi no Koe (The Voice of a Distant Star), Animage. ISBN 4-19-861554-3