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Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549

e: Genius Brands International, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-1 File No. 333-232762 Request for Acceleration

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Genius Brands International, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "Registrant"), hereby respectfully requests that the effective date of the above-captioned registration statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-232762) be accelerated so that the registration statement may become effective at 5:15 p.m., Eastern time, on Thursday, August 8, 2019, or as soon thereafter as practicable, or at such later time as the Registrant may orally request via telephone call to the Staff.

Please call Jeffrey P. Schultz, Esq. (212-692-6732) of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., counsel to the Registrant, with any comments or questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

Genius Brands International, Inc.

By: /s/ Andy Heyward
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Title: Chief Executive Officer

cc: <u>Securities and Exchange Commission</u>
Doug Jones

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