September 11, 2020

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Re:

Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F Street, N.E. Mail Stop 3561 Washington, D.C. 20549

> Genius Brands International, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed on September 4, 2020 File No. 333-248623 Acceleration Request

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Genius Brands International, Inc. (the "Company") hereby requests that the effectiveness of the above-captioned Registration Statement on Form S-3 be accelerated to Tuesday, September 15, 2020, at 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time, or as soon as practicable thereafter.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

GENIUS BRANDS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Andy Heyward</u> Name: Andy Heyward Title: Chief Executive Officer

cc: Nicholas Lamparski, Securities and Exchange Commission Bob Denton, Genius Brands International, Inc. Michael Jaffa, Genius Brands International, Inc. Lawrence Elbaum, Vinson & Elkins L.L.P.