February 5, 2021

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

> Re: Genius Brands International, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed on February 2, 2021 File No. 333-252670 **Acceleration Request**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 of the Rules and Regulations 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, February 9, 2021, at 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time, or as soon as thereafter practicable.

The cooperation of the staff in meeting the timetable described above is very much appreciated.

Any questions should be addressed to Jeffrey Schultz, Esq., at Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., Chrysler Center, 666 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017, telephone (212) 692-6732.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

GENIUS BRANDS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

/s/ Andy Heyward By: Andy Heyward

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Securities and Exchange Commission cc: Daniel Morris

> <u>Genius Brands International, Inc.</u> Bob Denton, Chief Financial Officer Michael Jaffa, Chief Operating Officer

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