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The American concept of ‘copyright’ may also include performing rights while in Dutch law a distinction is at all times made between copyright law (referring to the creator of a work) and neighbouring rights law (referring to the performer of a work), hence the addition in the Dutch version.

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The sentence ‘examples are…’ has been split from the main sentence for reasons of clarity in the Dutch text. (as under 1 b)

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The Dutch text uses one word for ‘recast, transformed, or adapted’ as the Dutch word encompasses all meanings of the three words used in the English text.

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Under Dutch law ‘natural and legal persons’ may both be licensors of intellectual property rights.

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The definition has been extended to include phonorecords and databases, which fall under different statutes under Dutch law. See also the second and third note under ‘License’ above.

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Dutch law has no ‘fair use’ exception but it does have some ‘exceptions to exclusive rights’.

The ‘first sale’ exception is in Dutch law known as the ‘exhaustion of rights’.

As regards the insertion of ‘database law’ please refer to the third note under the heading ‘License’.

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Given that the term ‘credit’ has no direct equivalent in the Dutch language, this subsection has been paraphrased in accordance with the exact meaning of the original text.

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   As regards the insertion of database rights please refer to the third note under the heading ‘License’.

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‘Common law rights’ has been replaced by ‘civil law rights’ in accordance with the Dutch legal system.

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