

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF

Patents Ordinance
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(Chapter 445)

PATENTS ORDINANCE (AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE 1) ORDER 2009

REGISTERED DESIGNS ORDINANCE (AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE) REGULATION 2009

TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE (AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE 1) REGULATION 2009

LAYOUT-DESIGN (TOPOGRAPHY) OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS (DESIGNATION OF QUALIFYING COUNTRIES, TERRITORIES OR AREAS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2009

INTRODUCTION

At the meeting of the Executive Council on 8 December 2009, the Council ADVISED and the Chief Executive ORDERED that –

- A (a) the Patents Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2009, at Annex A, should be made under section 153 of the Patents Ordinance;
- B (b) the Registered Designs Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule) Regulation 2009, at Annex B, should be made under section 83 of the Registered Designs Ordinance;
- C (c) the Trade Marks Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Regulation 2009, at Annex C, should be made under section 92 of the Trade Marks Ordinance; and
- D (d) the Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits (Designation of Qualifying Countries, Territories or Areas) (Amendment) Regulation 2009, at Annex D, should be made under section 24 of the Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits Ordinance,

to amend the relevant schedules to reflect the current membership position of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property (Paris Convention) and the World Trade Organization (WTO).

JUSTIFICATIONS

2. China is a party to the Paris Convention. The Central People's Government (CPG) applied the Convention to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) with effect from 1 July 1997. Under Article 4 of the Paris Convention, the HKSAR is obliged to grant to a person who has filed an application for registration of a patent, industrial design or trade mark in a Paris Convention country a right of priority during a prescribed period for the purpose of filing the same application in the HKSAR. Separately, as a WTO member in its own right, the HKSAR is obliged to do the same in respect of an application filed in a WTO member country, territory or area, by virtue of Article 2.1 in Part I of the WTO Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS Agreement).

3. We have met the above international obligations by making provisions in the Patents Ordinance (PO), the Registered Designs Ordinance (RDO) and the Trade Marks Ordinance (TMO) to the effect that a person who has filed an application in a Paris Convention country or WTO member country, territory or area will enjoy a right of priority. In a schedule to each of the afore-mentioned Ordinances, we set out the lists of Paris Convention countries and WTO member

countries, territories or areas. The Chief Executive in Council is empowered to amend the relevant schedule to the PO by an Order published in the Gazette. In the case of the RDO and the TMO, the Chief Executive in Council may amend the relevant schedules by Regulation.

4. Separately, Article 35 in Part II of the TRIPS Agreement requires the HKSAR to grant the same level of intellectual property protection for layout-designs (topographies) of integrated circuits to citizens of other WTO member countries, territories or areas, as to HKSAR citizens. We provide the said protection to citizens of such qualifying countries, territories or areas as are designated by the Chief Executive by Regulation. In the Schedule to the Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits (Designation of Qualifying Countries, Territories or Areas) Regulation, we set out the WTO membership list.

5. The above four schedules were last updated in February 2006. Since then, three more countries (i.e. the Republic of Angola; the Kingdom of Thailand; and the Republic of Yemen) have become members of the Paris Convention and five more countries (i.e. the Republic of Cape Verde; the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; the Kingdom of Tonga; Ukraine; and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam) have acceded to the WTO Agreement. Separately, one Paris Convention country (namely, Serbia and Montenegro) has become two countries (i.e. the Republic of Serbia; and Montenegro). To reflect these changes, we need to amend the relevant schedules to the Ordinances/Regulation.

6. Schedule 1 to the PO contains (a) a list of Paris Convention countries; and (b) a list of WTO member countries, territories and areas (not including Paris Convention countries). As the Republic of Angola and the Kingdom of Thailand, which are existing WTO members, have become members of the Paris Convention, it is necessary to move their names from the latter list to the former. The same changes apply to the Schedule to the RDO. Amendments to the other two schedules are just straightforward additions and revisions.

7. As the Paris Convention was applied to the HKSAR by the CPG, we have sought its prior approval via the Office of the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Hong Kong before proposing the amendments relating to the list of Paris Convention countries.

8. We will also take the opportunity to revise the English name and/or Chinese translation of some countries in the various schedules to reflect their latest names as appeared in the relevant membership lists.

THE ORDER AND REGULATIONS

9. The Patents Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2009 at Annex A, the Registered Designs Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule) Regulation 2009 at Annex B, the Trade Marks Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Regulation 2009 at Annex C and the Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits (Designation of Qualifying Countries, Territories or Areas) (Amendment) Regulation 2009 at Annex D update the various schedules.

10. Copies of the relevant empowering provisions in the Ordinances and the relevant schedules being amended are at Annexes E and F.

E & F

LEGISLATIVE TIMETABLE

11. The Order and Regulations will be published in the Gazette on 18 December 2009 and tabled at the Legislative Council on 6 January 2010 for negative vetting.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE PROPOSAL

12. The proposal is in conformity with the Basic Law, including the provisions concerning human rights. It will not affect the current binding effect of the Ordinances and subsidiary legislation concerned. It has no financial, civil service, economic, productivity, environmental or sustainability implications.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

13. The proposed amendments are technical in nature. No consultation is considered necessary. We have informed the LegCo Panel on Commerce and Industry of the proposed amendments.

PUBLICITY

14. A spokesman will be available to answer media enquiries.

ENQUIRIES

15. Enquiries on this brief should be referred to Ms Bonnie Yau, Principal Assistant Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Commerce and Industry) on telephone number 2918 7480.

Commerce, Industry and Tourism Branch
Commerce and Economic Development Bureau
16 December 2009

**PATENTS ORDINANCE (AMENDMENT OF
SCHEDULE 1) ORDER 2009**

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 153 of the Patents Ordinance (Cap. 514))

1. Commencement

This Order comes into operation on 26 February 2010.

2. Paris Convention countries and WTO member countries, territories and areas

(1) Schedule 1 to the Patents Ordinance (Cap. 514) is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**” by repealing “The State of Bahrain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Bahrain”.

(2) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**”, in the English text, by repealing “The Republic of Malta” and substituting “Malta”.

(3) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**” by repealing “The Kingdom of Nepal” and substituting “The Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal”.

(4) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**” –

- (a) by repealing “Serbia and Montenegro”;
- (b) by adding “Montenegro”;
- (c) by adding “The Republic of Serbia”.

(5) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**” by repealing “Spain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Spain”.

(6) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**” –

- (a) by repealing “The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)”;
- (b) by adding “The Republic of Cyprus”.

(7) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**”, in the English text, by repealing “The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela” and substituting “The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela”.

(8) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**”, in the Chinese text, by repealing “利比里亞” and substituting “利比里亞共和國”.

(9) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Paris Convention countries**” by adding –

- (a) “The Republic of Angola”;
- (b) “The Kingdom of Thailand”;
- (c) “The Republic of Yemen”.

(10) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**WTO member countries, territories and areas (not including Paris Convention countries)**” by repealing –

- (a) “The Republic of Angola”;
- (b) “Royal Thai (Thailand)”.

(11) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**WTO member countries, territories and areas (not including Paris Convention countries)**” by adding “The Republic of Cape Verde”.

Clerk to the Executive Council

COUNCIL CHAMBER

2009

Explanatory Note

This Order updates the lists of countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention and countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement.

**REGISTERED DESIGNS ORDINANCE
(AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE) REGULATION 2009**

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 83 of the
Registered Designs Ordinance (Cap. 522))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 26 February 2010.

**2. Paris Convention countries and WTO
members**

(1) The Schedule to the Registered Designs Ordinance (Cap. 522) is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**” by repealing “The State of Bahrain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Bahrain”.

(2) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**”, in the English text, by repealing “The Republic of Malta” and substituting “Malta”.

(3) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**” by repealing “The Kingdom of Nepal” and substituting “The Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal”.

(4) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**” –

- (a) by repealing “Serbia and Montenegro”;
- (b) by adding “Montenegro”;
- (c) by adding “The Republic of Serbia”.

(5) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**” by repealing “Spain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Spain”.

(6) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**” –

- (a) by repealing “The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)”;

(b) by adding “The Republic of Cyprus”.

(7) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**”, in the English text, by repealing “The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela” and substituting “The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela”.

(8) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**”, in the Chinese text, by repealing “利比里亞” and substituting “利比里亞共和國”.

(9) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**” by adding –

- (a) “The Republic of Angola”;
- (b) “The Kingdom of Thailand”;
- (c) “The Republic of Yemen”.

(10) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement (not including countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention)**” by repealing –

- (a) “The Republic of Angola”;
- (b) “Royal Thai (Thailand)”.

(11) The Schedule is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement (not including countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention)**” by adding “The Republic of Cape Verde”.

Clerk to the Executive Council

COUNCIL CHAMBER

2009

Explanatory Note

This Regulation updates the lists of countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention and countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement.

TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE (AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE 1) REGULATION 2009

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 92 of the Trade Marks Ordinance (Cap. 559))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 26 February 2010.

2. Paris Convention countries and WTO members

(1) Schedule 1 to the Trade Marks Ordinance (Cap. 559) is amended in the list under the heading **“Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention”** by repealing “The State of Bahrain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Bahrain”.

(2) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading **“Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention”**, in the English text, by repealing “The Republic of Malta” and substituting “Malta”.

(3) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading **“Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention”** by repealing “The Kingdom of Nepal” and substituting “The Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal”.

(4) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading **“Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention”** –

- (a) by repealing “Serbia and Montenegro”;
- (b) by adding “Montenegro”;
- (c) by adding “The Republic of Serbia”.

(5) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading **“Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention”** by repealing “Spain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Spain”.

(6) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading **“Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention”** –

- (a) by repealing “The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)”;

(b) by adding “The Republic of Cyprus”.

(7) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**”, in the English text, by repealing “The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela” and substituting “The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela”.

(8) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**”, in the Chinese text, by repealing “利比里亞” and substituting “利比里亞共和國”.

(9) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention**” by adding –

- (a) “The Republic of Angola”;
- (b) “The Kingdom of Thailand”;
- (c) “The Republic of Yemen”.

(10) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement**” by repealing “The State of Bahrain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Bahrain”.

(11) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement**”, in the English text, by repealing “The Republic of Malta” and substituting “Malta”.

(12) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement**” by repealing “The Kingdom of Nepal” and substituting “The Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal”.

(13) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement**” by repealing “Spain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Spain”.

(14) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement**” –

- (a) by repealing “The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)”;
- (b) by adding “The Republic of Cyprus”.

(15) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement**”, in the English text, by repealing “Royal Thai (Thailand)” and substituting “The Kingdom of Thailand”.

(16) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement**”, in the English text, by repealing “The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela” and substituting “The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela”.

(17) Schedule 1 is amended in the list under the heading “**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement**” by adding –

- (a) “The Republic of Cape Verde”;
- (b) “The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia”;
- (c) “The Kingdom of Tonga”;
- (d) “Ukraine”;
- (e) “The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam”.

Clerk to the Executive Council

COUNCIL CHAMBER

2009

Explanatory Note

This Regulation updates the lists of countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention and countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement.

**LAYOUT-DESIGN (TOPOGRAPHY) OF
INTEGRATED CIRCUITS (DESIGNATION OF
QUALIFYING COUNTRIES, TERRITORIES OR
AREAS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2009**

(Made by the Chief Executive under section 24 of the Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits Ordinance (Cap. 445) after consultation with the Executive Council)

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 26 February 2010.

2. Qualifying countries, territories or areas

(1) The Schedule to the Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits (Designation of Qualifying Countries, Territories or Areas) Regulation (Cap. 445 sub. leg. B) is amended by repealing “The State of Bahrain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Bahrain”.

(2) The Schedule is amended, in the English text, by repealing “The Republic of Malta” and substituting “Malta”.

(3) The Schedule is amended by repealing “The Kingdom of Nepal” and substituting “The Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal”.

(4) The Schedule is amended by repealing “Spain” and substituting “The Kingdom of Spain”.

(5) The Schedule is amended –

(a) by repealing “The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)”;

(b) by adding “The Republic of Cyprus”.

(6) The Schedule is amended, in the English text, by repealing “Royal Thai (Thailand)” and substituting “The Kingdom of Thailand”.

(7) The Schedule is amended, in the English text, by repealing “The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela” and substituting “The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela”.

(8) The Schedule is amended by adding –

- (a) “The Republic of Cape Verde”;
- (b) “The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia”;
- (c) “The Kingdom of Tonga”;
- (d) “Ukraine”;
- (e) “The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam”.

Chief Executive

2009

Explanatory Note

This Regulation updates the list of qualifying countries, territories or areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement.

Annex E

Chapter: 514 Title: PATENTS ORDINANCE Gazette Number: L.N. 47 of
2002
Section: **153** Heading: **Amendment of Schedule 1** Version Date: 01/06/2002

The Chief Executive in Council may by order published in the Gazette- (Amended 22 of 1999 s. 3)

- (a) add to Schedule 1 the name of-
 - (i) any country which has acceded to the Paris Convention;
 - (ii) any country, territory or area which has acceded to the World Trade Organisation Agreement;
- (b) delete from the Schedule 1 the name of-
 - (i) any country which has denounced the Paris Convention;
 - (ii) any country, territory or area which has denounced the World Trade Organisation Agreement; and (Amended 2 of 2001 s. 13)
- (c) otherwise amend Schedule 1. (Added 2 of 2001 s. 13)

Chapter:	522	Title:	REGISTERED DESIGNS ORDINANCE	Gazette Number:	22 of 1999
Section:	83	Heading:	Regulations	Version Date:	01/07/1997

Remarks:

Amendments retroactively made - see 22 of 1999 s. 3

The Chief Executive in Council may make regulations- (Amended 22 of 1999 s. 3)

- (a) providing that no appeal lies under section 58 from a decision or order of the Registrar that is of a class of decisions or orders specified in the regulations;
- (b) adding to the Schedule the name of-
 - (i) any country which has acceded to the Paris Convention;
 - (ii) any territory or area subject to the authority or under the suzerainty of any country, or administered by any country, on behalf of which such country has acceded to the Paris Convention; or
 - (iii) any country, territory or area which has acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement;
- (c) deleting from the Schedule the name of-
 - (i) any country which has denounced the Paris Convention;
 - (ii) any territory or area on behalf of which the Paris Convention has been denounced; or
 - (iii) any country, territory or area which has denounced the World Trade Organization Agreement; and
- (d) otherwise amending the Schedule.

Chapter:	559	Title:	TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE	Gazette Number:	L.N. 31 of 2003
Section:	92	Heading:	Regulations	Version Date:	04/04/2003

The Chief Executive in Council may by regulation-

- (a) add to Schedule 1 (Paris Convention countries and WTO members) the name of-
 - (i) any country which has acceded to the Paris Convention;
 - (ii) any country, territory or area which has acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement;
- (b) delete from Schedule 1 the name of-
 - (i) any country which has denounced the Paris Convention;
 - (ii) any country, territory or area which has denounced the World Trade Organization Agreement;
- (c) otherwise amend Schedule 1;
- (d) amend Schedule 2 (determination of well-known trade marks);
- (e) amend Schedule 3 (collective marks); and
- (f) amend Schedule 4 (certification marks).

Chapter: 445	Title: LAYOUT-DESIGN (TOPOGRAPHY) OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS ORDINANCE	Gazette Number:	22 of 1999
Section: 24	Heading: Designation of qualifying countries	Version Date:	01/07/1997

Remarks:

Amendments retroactively made - see 22 of 1999 s. 3

- (1) In this section "qualified owner" (合資格擁有人) means a person who is a qualified owner by virtue of relationship to Hong Kong under the definition of qualified person.
- (2) The Chief Executive may, by regulation, designate a country, territory or area as a qualifying country, territory or area if he considers that provisions have been or will be made under the laws of that country, territory or area that will give to a qualified owner under this Ordinance adequate protection in that country, territory or area. (Amended 22 of 1999 s. 3)

(Enacted 1994)

Chapter: 514 Title: PATENTS ORDINANCE Gazette Number: L.N. 217 of 2005
Schedule: 1 Heading: **PARIS CONVENTION COUNTRIES AND WTO MEMBER COUNTRIES, TERRITORIES AND AREAS** Version Date: 17/02/2006

[sections 2 & 153]

Paris Convention countries

The following are specified for the purposes of the definition of "Paris Convention country" in section 2(1) as countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention-

The Republic of Albania	The Republic of Costa Rica
The Democratic People's Republic of Algeria	The Republic of Cote d'Ivoire
The Principality of Andorra	The Republic of Croatia
Antigua and Barbuda	The Republic of Cuba
Republic of Argentina	The Czech Republic
The Republic of Armenia	The Kingdom of Denmark
The Commonwealth of Australia	The Republic of Djibouti
The Republic of Austria	The Commonwealth of Dominica
The Republic of Azerbaijan	The Dominican Republic
The Commonwealth of The Bahamas	The Republic of Ecuador
The State of Bahrain	The Arab Republic of Egypt
The People's Republic of Bangladesh	The Republic of El Salvador
Barbados	The Republic of Equatorial Guinea
The Republic of Belarus	Republic of Estonia
The Kingdom of Belgium	The Republic of Finland
Belize	The Republic of France
The Republic of Benin	The Gabonese Republic
The Kingdom of Bhutan	The Republic of the Gambia
The Republic of Bolivia	Georgia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	The Federal Republic of Germany
The Republic of Botswana	The Republic of Ghana
The Federative Republic of Brazil	Grenada
The Republic of Bulgaria	The Republic of Guatemala
The Burkina Faso	The Republic of Guinea
The Republic of Burundi	The Republic of Guinea-Bissau
Kingdom of Cambodia	The Cooperative Republic of Guyana
The Republic of Cameroon	The Republic of Haiti
Canada	The Hellenic Republic (Greece)
The Central African Republic	Holy See
The Republic of Chad	The Republic of Honduras
Republic of Chile	The Republic of Hungary
The People's Republic of China	The Republic of Iceland
The Republic of Colombia	The Republic of India
Union of the Comoros	The Republic of Indonesia
The Democratic Republic of Congo	The Islamic Republic of Iran
The Republic of Congo	The Republic of Iraq

Ireland	The State of Qatar
The State of Israel	Romania
The Republic of Italy	The Russian Federation
Jamaica	The Republic of Rwanda
Japan	The Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis
The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan	Saint Lucia
The Republic of Kazakhstan	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
The Republic of Kenya	The Republic of San Marino
The Democratic People's Republic of Korea	The Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe
Republic of Korea	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Kyrgyz Republic	The Republic of Senegal
The Lao People's Democratic Republic	Serbia and Montenegro
Republic of Latvia	The Republic of Seychelles
The Republic of Lebanon	The Republic of Sierra Leone
The Kingdom of Lesotho	The Republic of Singapore
The Republic of Liberia	The Slovak Republic
The Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	The Republic of Slovenia
The Principality of Liechtenstein	The Republic of South Africa
The Republic of Lithuania	Spain
The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg	The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
The Republic of Macedonia	The Republic of the Sudan
The Republic of Madagascar	The Republic of Suriname
The Republic of Malawi	The Kingdom of Swaziland
Malaysia	The Kingdom of Sweden
The Republic of Mali	Swiss Confederation
The Republic of Malta	The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)
The Islamic Republic of Mauritania	The Syrian Arab Republic
The Republic of Mauritius	The Republic of Tajikistan
The Republic of Moldova	The Republic of Togo
The Principality of Monaco	The Kingdom of Tonga
Mongolia	The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
The Kingdom of Morocco	The Republic of Tunisia
The Republic of Mozambique	The Republic of Turkey
The Republic of Namibia	Turkmenistan
The Kingdom of Nepal	The Republic of Uganda
The Kingdom of the Netherlands	Ukraine
New Zealand	The United Arab Emirates
The Republic of Nicaragua	The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
The Republic of Niger	The United Republic of Tanzania
The Federal Republic of Nigeria	The United States of America
The Kingdom of Norway	The United States of Mexico
The Sultanate of Oman	Oriental Republic of Uruguay
The Islamic Republic of Pakistan	The Republic of Uzbekistan
The Republic of Panama	The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela
The Independent State of Papua New Guinea	The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
Republic of Paraguay	The Republic of Zambia
The Republic of Peru	The Republic of Zimbabwe
Republic of the Philippines	
The Republic of Poland	
The Portuguese Republic	

**WTO member countries, territories
and areas (not including Paris
Convention countries)**

The following are specified as being countries, territories or areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organisation Agreement-

The Republic of Angola

Negara Brunei Darussalam

European Community

The Republic of The Fiji Islands

The State of Kuwait

The Macao Special Administrative Region

The Republic of Maldives

The Union of Myanmar

Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu

The Solomon Islands

Royal Thai (Thailand)

(Amended L.N. 341 of 1998; L.N. 66 of 2002; L.N. 217 of 2005)

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[sections 2 & 83]

PARIS CONVENTION COUNTRIES AND WTO MEMBERS
Countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention

The Republic of Albania	The Czech Republic
The Democratic People's Republic of Algeria	The Kingdom of Denmark
The Principality of Andorra	The Republic of Djibouti
Antigua and Barbuda	The Commonwealth of Dominica
Republic of Argentina	The Dominican Republic
The Republic of Armenia	The Republic of Ecuador
The Commonwealth of Australia	The Arab Republic of Egypt
The Republic of Austria	The Republic of El Salvador
The Republic of Azerbaijan	The Republic of Equatorial Guinea
The Commonwealth of The Bahamas	Republic of Estonia
The State of Bahrain	The Republic of Finland
The People's Republic of Bangladesh	The Republic of France
Barbados	The Gabonese Republic
The Republic of Belarus	The Republic of the Gambia
The Kingdom of Belgium	Georgia
Belize	The Federal Republic of Germany
The Republic of Benin	The Republic of Ghana
The Kingdom of Bhutan	Grenada
The Republic of Bolivia	The Republic of Guatemala
Bosnia and Herzegovina	The Republic of Guinea
The Republic of Botswana	The Republic of Guinea-Bissau
The Federative Republic of Brazil	The Cooperative Republic of Guyana
The Republic of Bulgaria	The Republic of Haiti
The Burkina Faso	The Hellenic Republic (Greece)
The Republic of Burundi	Holy See
Kingdom of Cambodia	The Republic of Honduras
The Republic of Cameroon	The Republic of Hungary
Canada	The Republic of Iceland
The Central African Republic	The Republic of India
The Republic of Chad	The Republic of Indonesia
Republic of Chile	The Islamic Republic of Iran
The People's Republic of China	The Republic of Iraq
The Republic of Colombia	Ireland
Union of the Comoros	The State of Israel
The Democratic Republic of Congo	The Republic of Italy
The Republic of Congo	Jamaica
The Republic of Costa Rica	Japan
The Republic of Cote d'Ivoire	The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
The Republic of Croatia	The Republic of Kazakhstan
The Republic of Cuba	The Republic of Kenya

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Republic of Korea
Kyrghyz Republic
The Lao People's Democratic Republic
Republic of Latvia
The Republic of Lebanon
The Kingdom of Lesotho
The Republic of Liberia
The Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab
Jamahiriya
The Principality of Liechtenstein
The Republic of Lithuania
The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
The Republic of Macedonia
The Republic of Madagascar
The Republic of Malawi
Malaysia
The Republic of Mali
The Republic of Malta
The Islamic Republic of Mauritania
The Republic of Mauritius
The Republic of Moldova
The Principality of Monaco
Mongolia
The Kingdom of Morocco
The Republic of Mozambique
The Republic of Namibia
The Kingdom of Nepal
The Kingdom of the Netherlands
New Zealand
The Republic of Nicaragua
The Republic of Niger
The Federal Republic of Nigeria
The Kingdom of Norway
The Sultanate of Oman
The Islamic Republic of Pakistan
The Republic of Panama
The Independent State of Papua New Guinea
Republic of Paraguay
The Republic of Peru
Republic of the Philippines
The Republic of Poland
The Portuguese Republic
The State of Qatar
Romania
The Russian Federation
The Republic of Rwanda
The Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis
Saint Lucia
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
The Republic of San Marino

The Democratic Republic of Sao Tome
and Principe
The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
The Republic of Senegal
Serbia and Montenegro
The Republic of Seychelles
The Republic of Sierra Leone
The Republic of Singapore
The Slovak Republic
The Republic of Slovenia
The Republic of South Africa
Spain
The Democratic Socialist Republic of
Sri Lanka
The Republic of the Sudan
The Republic of Suriname
The Kingdom of Swaziland
The Kingdom of Sweden
Swiss Confederation
The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)
The Syrian Arab Republic
The Republic of Tajikistan
The Republic of Togo
The Kingdom of Tonga
The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
The Republic of Tunisia
The Republic of Turkey
Turkmenistan
The Republic of Uganda
Ukraine
The United Arab Emirates
The United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland
The United Republic of Tanzania
The United States of America
The United States of Mexico
Oriental Republic of Uruguay
The Republic of Uzbekistan
The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela
The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
The Republic of Zambia
The Republic of Zimbabwe

**Countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization
Agreement
(not including countries which have acceded to the Paris Convention)**

The Republic of Angola
Negara Brunei Darussalam
European Community
The Republic of The Fiji Islands
The State of Kuwait
The Macao Special Administrative Region
The Republic of Maldives
The Union of Myanmar
Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu
The Solomon Islands
Royal Thai (Thailand)

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**Countries which have acceded to
the Paris Convention**

The Republic of Albania	The Republic of Cuba
The Democratic People's Republic of Algeria	The Czech Republic
The Principality of Andorra	The Kingdom of Denmark
Antigua and Barbuda	The Republic of Djibouti
Republic of Argentina	The Commonwealth of Dominica
The Republic of Armenia	The Dominican Republic
The Commonwealth of Australia	The Republic of Ecuador
The Republic of Austria	The Arab Republic of Egypt
The Republic of Azerbaijan	The Republic of El Salvador
The Commonwealth of The Bahamas	The Republic of Equatorial Guinea
The State of Bahrain	Republic of Estonia
The People's Republic of Bangladesh	The Republic of Finland
Barbados	The Republic of France
The Republic of Belarus	The Gabonese Republic
The Kingdom of Belgium	The Republic of the Gambia
Belize	Georgia
The Republic of Benin	The Federal Republic of Germany
The Kingdom of Bhutan	The Republic of Ghana
The Republic of Bolivia	Grenada
Bosnia and Herzegovina	The Republic of Guatemala
The Republic of Botswana	The Republic of Guinea
The Federative Republic of Brazil	The Republic of Guinea-Bissau
The Republic of Bulgaria	The Cooperative Republic of Guyana
The Burkina Faso	The Republic of Haiti
The Republic of Burundi	The Hellenic Republic (Greece)
Kingdom of Cambodia	Holy See
The Republic of Cameroon	The Republic of Honduras
Canada	The Republic of Hungary
The Central African Republic	The Republic of Iceland
The Republic of Chad	The Republic of India
Republic of Chile	The Republic of Indonesia
The People's Republic of China	The Islamic Republic of Iran
The Republic of Colombia	The Republic of Iraq
Union of the Comoros	Ireland
The Democratic Republic of Congo	The State of Israel
The Republic of Congo	The Republic of Italy
The Republic of Costa Rica	Jamaica
The Republic of Cote d'Ivoire	Japan
The Republic of Croatia	The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

The Republic of Kazakhstan	Saint Lucia
The Republic of Kenya	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
The Democratic People's Republic of Korea	The Republic of San Marino
Republic of Korea	The Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe
Kyrgyz Republic	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
The Lao People's Democratic Republic	The Republic of Senegal
Republic of Latvia	Serbia and Montenegro
The Republic of Lebanon	The Republic of Seychelles
The Kingdom of Lesotho	The Republic of Sierra Leone
The Republic of Liberia	The Republic of Singapore
The Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	The Slovak Republic
The Principality of Liechtenstein	The Republic of Slovenia
The Republic of Lithuania	The Republic of South Africa
The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg	Spain
The Republic of Macedonia	The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
The Republic of Madagascar	The Republic of the Sudan
The Republic of Malawi	The Republic of Suriname
Malaysia	The Kingdom of Swaziland
The Republic of Mali	The Kingdom of Sweden
The Republic of Malta	Swiss Confederation
The Islamic Republic of Mauritania	The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)
The Republic of Mauritius	The Syrian Arab Republic
The Republic of Moldova	The Republic of Tajikistan
The Principality of Monaco	The Republic of Togo
Mongolia	The Kingdom of Tonga
The Kingdom of Morocco	The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
The Republic of Mozambique	The Republic of Tunisia
The Republic of Namibia	The Republic of Turkey
The Kingdom of Nepal	Turkmenistan
The Kingdom of the Netherlands	The Republic of Uganda
New Zealand	Ukraine
The Republic of Nicaragua	The United Arab Emirates
The Republic of Niger	The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
The Federal Republic of Nigeria	The United Republic of Tanzania
The Kingdom of Norway	The United States of America
The Sultanate of Oman	The United States of Mexico
The Islamic Republic of Pakistan	Oriental Republic of Uruguay
The Republic of Panama	The Republic of Uzbekistan
The Independent State of Papua New Guinea	The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela
Republic of Paraguay	The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
The Republic of Peru	The Republic of Zambia
Republic of the Philippines	The Republic of Zimbabwe
The Republic of Poland	
The Portuguese Republic	
The State of Qatar	
Romania	
The Russian Federation	
The Republic of Rwanda	
The Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis	

**Countries, territories and areas
which have acceded to the World
Trade Organization Agreement**

The Republic of Albania	The Gabonese Republic
The Republic of Angola	The Republic of the Gambia
Antigua and Barbuda	Georgia
Republic of Argentina	The Federal Republic of Germany
The Republic of Armenia	The Republic of Ghana
The Commonwealth of Australia	Grenada
The Republic of Austria	The Republic of Guatemala
The State of Bahrain	The Republic of Guinea
The People's Republic of Bangladesh	The Republic of Guinea-Bissau
Barbados	The Cooperative Republic of Guyana
The Kingdom of Belgium	The Republic of Haiti
Belize	The Hellenic Republic (Greece)
The Republic of Benin	The Republic of Honduras
The Republic of Bolivia	The Republic of Hungary
The Republic of Botswana	The Republic of Iceland
The Federative Republic of Brazil	The Republic of India
Negara Brunei Darussalam	The Republic of Indonesia
The Republic of Bulgaria	Ireland
The Burkina Faso	The State of Israel
The Republic of Burundi	The Republic of Italy
Kingdom of Cambodia	Jamaica
The Republic of Cameroon	Japan
Canada	The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
The Central African Republic	The Republic of Kenya
The Republic of Chad	Republic of Korea
Republic of Chile	The State of Kuwait
The People's Republic of China	Kyrgyz Republic
The Republic of Colombia	Republic of Latvia
The Democratic Republic of Congo	The Kingdom of Lesotho
The Republic of Congo	The Principality of Liechtenstein
The Republic of Costa Rica	The Republic of Lithuania
The Republic of Cote d'Ivoire	The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
The Republic of Croatia	The Macao Special Administrative Region
The Republic of Cuba	The Republic of Macedonia
The Czech Republic	The Republic of Madagascar
The Kingdom of Denmark	The Republic of Malawi
The Republic of Djibouti	Malaysia
The Commonwealth of Dominica	The Republic of Maldives
The Dominican Republic	The Republic of Mali
The Republic of Ecuador	The Republic of Malta
The Arab Republic of Egypt	The Islamic Republic of Mauritania
The Republic of El Salvador	The Republic of Mauritius
Republic of Estonia	The Republic of Moldova
European Community	Mongolia
The Republic of The Fiji Islands	The Kingdom of Morocco
The Republic of Finland	The Republic of Mozambique
The Republic of France	The Union of Myanmar

The Republic of Namibia	The Slovak Republic
The Kingdom of Nepal	The Republic of Slovenia
Netherlands—For the Kingdom in Europe and for the Netherlands Antilles	The Solomon Islands
New Zealand	The Republic of South Africa
The Republic of Nicaragua	Spain
The Republic of Niger	The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
The Federal Republic of Nigeria	The Republic of Suriname
The Kingdom of Norway	The Kingdom of Swaziland
The Sultanate of Oman	The Kingdom of Sweden
The Islamic Republic of Pakistan	Swiss Confederation
The Republic of Panama	The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)
The Independent State of Papua New Guinea	Royal Thai (Thailand)
Republic of Paraguay	The Republic of Togo
The Republic of Peru	The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
Republic of the Philippines	The Republic of Tunisia
The Republic of Poland	The Republic of Turkey
The Portuguese Republic	The Republic of Uganda
The State of Qatar	The United Arab Emirates
Romania	The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
The Republic of Rwanda	The United Republic of Tanzania
The Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis	The United States of America
Saint Lucia	The United States of Mexico
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Oriental Republic of Uruguay
The Republic of Senegal	The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela
Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	The Republic of Zambia
The Republic of Sierra Leone	The Republic of Zimbabwe
The Republic of Singapore	

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QUALIFYING COUNTRIES, TERRITORIES OR AREAS

The Republic of Albania	The Dominican Republic
The Republic of Angola	The Republic of Ecuador
Antigua and Barbuda	The Arab Republic of Egypt
Republic of Argentina	The Republic of El Salvador
The Republic of Armenia	Republic of Estonia
The Commonwealth of Australia	The Republic of The Fiji Islands
The Republic of Austria	The Republic of Finland
The State of Bahrain	The Republic of France
The People's Republic of Bangladesh	The Gabonese Republic
Barbados	The Republic of the Gambia
The Kingdom of Belgium	Georgia
Belize	The Federal Republic of Germany
The Republic of Benin	The Republic of Ghana
The Republic of Bolivia	Grenada
The Republic of Botswana	The Republic of Guatemala
The Federative Republic of Brazil	The Republic of Guinea
Negara Brunei Darussalam	The Republic of Guinea-Bissau
The Republic of Bulgaria	The Cooperative Republic of Guyana
The Burkina Faso	The Republic of Haiti
The Republic of Burundi	The Hellenic Republic (Greece)
Kingdom of Cambodia	The Republic of Honduras
The Republic of Cameroon	The Republic of Hungary
Canada	The Republic of Iceland
The Central African Republic	The Republic of India
The Republic of Chad	The Republic of Indonesia
Republic of Chile	Ireland
The People's Republic of China	The State of Israel
The Republic of Colombia	The Republic of Italy
The Democratic Republic of Congo	Jamaica
The Republic of Congo	Japan
The Republic of Costa Rica	The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
The Republic of Cote d'Ivoire	The Republic of Kenya
The Republic of Croatia	Republic of Korea
The Republic of Cuba	The State of Kuwait
The Czech Republic	Kyrgyz Republic
The Kingdom of Denmark	Republic of Latvia
The Republic of Djibouti	The Kingdom of Lesotho
The Commonwealth of Dominica	The Principality of Liechtenstein

The Republic of Lithuania
The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
The Macao Special Administrative Region
The Republic of Macedonia
The Republic of Madagascar
The Republic of Malawi
Malaysia
The Republic of Maldives
The Republic of Mali
The Republic of Malta
The Islamic Republic of Mauritania
The Republic of Mauritius
The Republic of Moldova
Mongolia
The Kingdom of Morocco
The Republic of Mozambique
The Union of Myanmar
The Republic of Namibia
The Kingdom of Nepal
Netherlands-For the Kingdom in Europe and
for the Netherlands Antilles
New Zealand
The Republic of Nicaragua
The Republic of Niger
The Federal Republic of Nigeria
The Kingdom of Norway
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The Republic of Peru
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The Republic of Sierra Leone
The Republic of Singapore
The Slovak Republic
The Republic of Slovenia
The Solomon Islands
The Republic of South Africa
Spain

The Democratic Socialist Republic of
Sri Lanka
The Republic of Suriname
The Kingdom of Swaziland
The Kingdom of Sweden
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The Republic of Syprus (Cyprus)
Royal Thai (Thailand)
The Republic of Togo
The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
The Republic of Tunisia
The Republic of Turkey
The Republic of Uganda
The United Arab Emirates
The United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland
The United Republic of Tanzania
The United States of America
The United States of Mexico
Oriental Republic of Uruguay
The Bolivar Republic of Venezuela
The Republic of Zambia
The Republic of Zimbabwe

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