

SECTION D - FINAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 17.67 - Cooperation

1. With a view to facilitating the implementation of this Chapter, the Parties shall endeavour to cooperate within the Committee on Investment, Services, Digital Trade, Government Procurement and Intellectual Property Rights, including Geographical Indications, in international fora, via various agencies or as otherwise deemed appropriate.
2. The areas of cooperation may include:
 - (a) exchange on developments in domestic and international intellectual property law and policy;
 - (b) exchange on intellectual property administration and registration systems;
 - (c) education and promotion of awareness relating to the protection and enforcement of intellectual property, including relating to the impact of the infringement of intellectual property rights;
 - (d) engagement with SMEs regarding the use, protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights;
 - (e) exchange of information and experience in intellectual property issues relevant to:
 - (i) SMEs;
 - (ii) science, technology and innovation activities; and
 - (iii) the generation, transfer and dissemination of technology;
 - (f) exchange on policies involving the use of intellectual property for research, innovation and economic growth;
 - (g) the implementation of multilateral intellectual property agreements, such as those concluded or administered under the auspices of the WIPO;
 - (h) technical assistance for developing countries;
 - (i) exchange on best practices, projects and programmes aimed at reducing the infringement of intellectual property rights, including:

- (i) supporting the use of adequate tools and new technologies to prevent and detect counterfeiting activities;
 - (ii) sharing of experience on enforcement of intellectual property rights by law enforcement authorities, administrative and judicial bodies; and
 - (iii) voluntary stakeholders initiatives to reduce intellectual property infringements, including over the internet; and
- (j) improving the international intellectual property regulatory framework.

ARTICLE 17.68 - Voluntary stakeholder initiatives

Each Party shall endeavour to promote cooperative efforts within the business community to effectively address intellectual property infringement, including in the digital environment, while preserving legitimate competition. This may include encouraging the establishment of public or private advisory groups, or other possible initiatives, to address issues of intellectual property infringement.

ARTICLE 17.69 - Committee on Investment, Services, Digital Trade, Government Procurement and Intellectual Property Rights, including Geographical Indications

1. The Committee on Investment, Services, Digital Trade, Government Procurement and Intellectual Property Rights, including Geographical Indications is established pursuant to Article 22.5(1) (Specialised committees).
2. In addition to the functions specified in Article 22.6 (Functions of the specialised committees), the Committee on Investment, Services, Digital Trade, Government Procurement and Intellectual Property Rights, including Geographical Indications shall have the following functions:
 - (a) provide a forum for exchanging information on geographical indications for the purposes of considering their protection in accordance with Article 17.41 (Protection of geographical indications);
 - (b) further to Article 17.41(2) (Protection of geographical indications), deal with any matter arising from product specifications of protected geographical indications of the other Party listed in Annex 17 (Lists of geographical indications);
 - (c) recommend to the Trade Committee to amend Annex 17 (Lists of geographical indications), in accordance with Article 17.40 (Amendment of the lists of geographical indications), including removal of geographical indications where they cease to be protected in the territory of the Party concerned; and

- (d) exchange information and experiences on issues related to intellectual property, including in the area of geographical indications; such exchange may include legislative and policy developments, and any other matter of mutual interest related to the implementation and operation of this Chapter.