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**Council for Trade-Related Aspects
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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

SWITZERLAND: ORDINANCE ON THE PROTECTION OF
TOPOGRAPHIES OF SEMI-CONDUCTOR PRODUCTS

Notifying Member	SWITZERLAND
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	<i>Ordonnance sur la protection des topographies de produits semi-conducteurs (Ordonnance sur les topographies, OTo)</i> (Ordinance on the Protection of Topographies of Semi-Conductor Products (Ordinance on Topographies)) RS 231.21 (<i>Status as at 1 January 2017</i>)
Subject matter	Industrial property (general); Layout designs (topographies) of integrated circuits
Nature of notification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/IP/CHE/17_1713_00_f.pdf
Notification status	<input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
Previous notification(s) referred to	IP/N/1/CHE/L/5 (<i>Status as at 1 July 2008</i>) " https://docs.wto.org/dol2fe/Pages/FE_Search/FE_S_S006.aspx?DataSource=Cat&query=@SymbolMatch=IP/N/1/CHE/L/5*&Language=French&Context=ScriptedSearches&languageUIChanged=true# " IP/N/1/CHE/L/3 (<i>Status as at 1 January 1996</i>) " https://docs.wto.org/dol2fe/Pages/FE_Search/FE_S_S006.aspx?DataSource=Cat&query=@SymbolMatch=IP/N/1/CHE/L/3*&Language=French&Context=ScriptedSearches&languageUIChanged=true# " IP/N/1/CHE/L/2 " https://docs.wto.org/dol2fe/Pages/FE_Search/FE_S_S006.aspx?DataSource=Cat&query=@SymbolMatch=IP/N/1/CHE/L/2*&Language=French&Context=ScriptedSearches&languageUIChanged=true# "
Brief description of the notified legal text	Registration of topographies, maintenance of topographies register, Customs measures. Article 9: Safeguarding of industrial and business secrets in topography application files and the topographies register.

Language(s) of notified text	French
Date of adoption	26 April 1993
Entry into force	1 July 1993

Notification details

Submission date of notification	24 February 2017
Other information	<p>Most recent amendments:</p> <p>Article 17: adopted on 6 June 2014 and entered into force on 1 September 2014 (RO 2014 2051)</p> <p>Adjustment pursuant to the changes to the functions of the Customs Administration.</p> <p>Articles 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12 and 14: adopted on 2 December 2016 and entered into force on 1 January 2017 (RO 2016 4827)</p> <p>Simplification and harmonization of procedures in order to facilitate the renewal of the electronic administration system for topographies of semi-conductor products and achieve increased transparency for owners.</p>
Agency or authority responsible	<i>Institut Fédéral de la Propriété Intellectuelle</i> (Federal Institute of Intellectual Property)