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**Council for Trade-Related Aspects of
Intellectual Property Rights**

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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF
THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

COSTA RICA: EXECUTIVE DECREE NO. 31514-MINAE - GENERAL RULES ON ACCESS TO
BIODIVERSITY'S GENETIC AND BIOCHEMICAL MATERIALS AND RESOURCES

Notifying Member	COSTA RICA
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Executive Decree No. 31514-MINAE - General Rules on Access to Biodiversity's Genetic and Biochemical Materials and Resources
Subject matter	Patents (including plant variety protection)
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://ip-documents.info/2023/IP/CRI/23_1145_00_s.pdf
Notification status	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First notification <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
Previous notification(s) referred to	Not applicable
Brief description of the notified legal text	
The notified text regulates access to biodiversity's genetic and biochemical materials and resources and associated traditional knowledge, innovations and practices. The Technical Office of the National Commission for the Protection of Biodiversity (CONAGEBIO) can oppose the registration of patents, plant breeder's rights, or other rights, if the existence of a certificate of origin and prior consent is not verified, when there has been access to biodiversity materials.	
Language(s) of notified legal text	Spanish
Entry into force	15 December 2003
Other date	Publication: 15 December 2003

Notification details

Submission date of notification	26 January 2023
Other information	
Agency or authority responsible	<i>Comisión Nacional para la Gestión de la Biodiversidad</i> (National Commission for Biodiversity Management) (+506) 2224-8664/(+506) 2253-8416 info@conagebio.go.cr

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