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

HONG KONG, CHINA: COPYRIGHT (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 2020 (ORD. NO. 10 OF 2020)

Notifying Member	HONG KONG, CHINA
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Copyright (Amendment) Ordinance 2020 (Ord. No. 10 of 2020)
Subject matter	Copyright and related rights; Industrial property (general)
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/2020/IP/HKG/20_5793_00_e.pdf
Notification status	<input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
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Brief description of the notified legal text

1. The Copyright (Amendment) Ordinance 2020 (the "Amendment Ordinance") enhances the copyright exceptions relating to persons with a print disability in the Copyright Ordinance (Cap. 528) in order to meet the standards under the Marrakesh Treaty to Facilitate Access to Published Works for Persons Who Are Blind, Visually Impaired, or Otherwise Print Disabled ("Marrakesh Treaty").
2. The Amendment Ordinance enhances the exceptions or permitted acts in the Copyright Ordinance that allow the production of specially adapted copies (accessible copies) for the personal use by persons with a print disability, including:
 - (a) expanding the definition of "print disability" in the Copyright Ordinance to enable persons with a perceptual or reading disability, including dyslexia, to use the copyright exceptions provided for persons with a print disability;
 - (b) making it clear that audio forms of certain copyright works (such as audiobooks) may be used in the production of accessible copies for the personal use by persons with a print disability; and

(c) allowing cross-border exchange of accessible copies of copyright works for the personal use by persons with a print disability, subject to certain conditions being met.

3. The Amendment Ordinance also introduces other amendments to the existing copyright exceptions relating to persons with a print disability, including amending certain formulations in the Copyright Ordinance to better align with those used in the Marrakesh Treaty.

Language(s) of notified legal text	English
Entry into force	26 June 2020
Other date	

Notification details

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Other information	
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