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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**

MAURITIUS: THE COPYRIGHT (AMENDMENT) ACT 2017

Notifying Member	MAURITIUS
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	THE COPYRIGHT (AMENDMENT) ACT 2017
Subject matter	Copyright and related rights
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/2019/IP/MUS/19_5190_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)
Previous notification(s) referred to	IP/N/1/MUS/C/2 , IP/N/1/MUS/4
Brief description of the notified legal text	
<p>The Copyright (Amendment) Act 2017 provides for amendments to certain sections of the main Act, i.e. the Copyright Act 2014 in order to <i>inter alia</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) make provisions regarding phonograms in Section 10;b) increase the duration of copyright in Section 15;c) make better provisions in relation to the payment of equitable remuneration in Section 35;d) replace the words "Rights Management Society" by the words "Mauritius Society of Authors" in Section 43; ande) repeal and replace Section 48.	
Language(s) of notified legal text	English
Entry into force	8 March 2018 (except for Section 8)
Other date	Publication: 23 November 2017

Notification details

Submission date of notification	20 September 2019
Other information	Published in the Government Gazette of Mauritius No. 110 of 23 November 2017
Agency or authority responsible	<p>Contact details of Authority responsible for overseeing the Copyright Act are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Arts and Culture (responsible for policy issues regarding Copyright) <p>Tel: +230 212 5848</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mauritius Society of Authors is responsible, <i>inter alia</i>, to collectively manage rights of author or other owner to authorize: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reproduction of a work; - Translation of a work; - Adaptation, arrangement or other transformation of a work including cinematographic adaption; - Distribution to the public of the original or a fixed copy of a work; - Public performance of a work; - Broadcasting of a work; - Other forms of communication to public of a work and - Related rights <p>Tel: +230 467 2219 / +230 454 7931</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner of Police <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Policing of criminal offences regarding breach of Copyright (Anti-Piracy Unit) <p>Tel: +230 211 9114</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The responsibility of Intellectual property falls under the Industrial Property Office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs & International Trade <p>Tel: (+230) 2085714, 2085768, 2124431, 2108917</p>

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