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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**

UNITED STATES: DEFEND TRADE SECRETS ACT OF 2016

Notifying Member	UNITED STATES
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016
Subject matter	Undisclosed information - trade secrets
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/2016/IP/USA/16_4983_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	<p>IP/N/1/USA/U/2 (Economic Espionage Act, Title 18, Part I, Chapter 90) "https://docs.wto.org/dol2fe/Pages/FE_Search/FE_S_S006.aspx?DataSource=Cat&query=@SymbolMatch=IP/N/1/USA/U/2*&Language=English&Context=ScriptedSearches&languageUIChanged=true#"</p> <p>IP/N/1/USA/U/1 – Summary of State and Federal laws and regulations governing trade secret protection in the United States. "https://docs.wto.org/dol2fe/Pages/FE_Search/FE_S_S006.aspx?DataSource=Cat&query=@SymbolMatch=IP/N/1/USA/U/1*&Language=English&Context=ScriptedSearches&languageUIChanged=true#"</p>
Brief description of the notified legal text	
The Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016 amends 18 U.S.C. §1836, the Economic Espionage Act, to establish a federal private civil cause of action for the misappropriation of a trade secret, including provisions for ex parte expedited injunctive relief and "whistleblower" protection.	
Language(s) of notified text	English
Date of adoption	05/11/2016
Entry into force	05/11/2016

Notification details

Submission date of notification	08/11/2016
Other information	
Agency or authority responsible	Office of Policy and International Affairs, USPTO.