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

The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu:   
Enforcement Rules of the Patent Act

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| **Notifying Member** | | **The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu** |
| **Details of the notified legal text** | | |
| **Title** | | Enforcement Rules of the Patent Act |
| **Subject matter** | | Patents (including plant variety protection) |
| **Nature of notification** | | [X] Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation  [  ] Other law or regulation |
| **Link to legal text[[1]](#endnote-1)** | | <https://ip-documents.info/2019/IP/TPKM/19_6763_00_e.pdf>  <https://ip-documents.info/2019/IP/TPKM/19_6763_00_x.pdf> |
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| **Brief description of the notified legal text**  Provisions about division applications upon approvals have been inserted into the Patent Act amended on May 1, 2019, so the corresponding rules in Article 29 of the Enforcement Rules of the Patent Act were deleted. Also, in conjunction with Patent Act stipulating that patent files deemed worth preserving by the Specific Patent Agency shall be permanently kept, types of patent cases whose files worth preserving were added to Article 89-1 of the Enforcement Rules. Article 90 of the Enforcement Rules specifies the date on which the amendments should enter into force. | | |
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