

**Intellectual Property Department
Government of the Hong Kong SAR**



Circular No. 2 of 2002

- (a) Patents Ordinance as amended by Patents Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2002;**
- (b) Trade Marks Ordinance as amended by Trade Marks Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2002;**
- (c) Registered Designs Ordinance as amended by Registered Designs Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule) Regulation 2002; and**
- (d) Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits (Designation of Qualifying Countries, Territories or Areas) Regulation made under section 24 of the Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits Ordinance**

The Patents Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2002, Trade Marks Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2002 and Registered Designs Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule) Regulation 2002 amend the Schedules to the aforementioned Ordinances by repealing the existing lists of countries or countries, territories and areas in these Schedules and substituting them with the latest list of countries that are members of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and/or latest list of countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the World Trade Organization Agreement (“WTO Agreement”).

The Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits (Designation of Qualifying Countries, Territories or Areas) Regulation designates an updated list of countries, territories or areas, being countries, territories and areas which have acceded to the WTO Agreement, as qualifying countries, territories or areas for the purposes of the Layout-design (Topography) of Integrated Circuits Ordinance.

Both the Orders and Regulations will come into effect on 11 July 2002.

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