CHAPTER 6

PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

ARTICLE 6.1

Protection of Intellectual Property Rights

- 1. The Parties shall grant and ensure adequate, effective and non-discriminatory protection of intellectual property rights, and provide for measures for the enforcement of such rights against infringement thereof, counterfeiting and piracy, in accordance with the provisions of this Article, Annex XIX and the international agreements referred to therein.
- 2. The Parties shall accord to each other's nationals, treatment no less favourable than that they accord to their own nationals with respect to the protection of intellectual property. Exemptions from this obligation must be in accordance with the substantive provisions of Articles 3 and 5 of the WTO Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (hereinafter referred to as the "TRIPS Agreement").
- 3. The Parties shall grant to each other's nationals treatment no less favourable than that accorded to nationals of any other state. Exemptions from this obligation must be in accordance with the substantive provisions of the TRIPS Agreement, in particular Articles 4 and 5 thereof.
- 4. The Parties may agree, upon mutual consent, to review in the future this Article and Annex XIX with a view to further developing the levels of protection and to avoiding or remedying trade distortions caused by the current levels of protection of intellectual property rights.