

**CHAPTER 4**  
**PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

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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, including counterfeiting and piracy, in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter, Annex XX (Protection of Intellectual Property), and the international agreements referred to in that Annex.
2. The Parties shall accord to each other's nationals treatment no less favourable than that they accord to their own nationals. Exemptions from this obligation must be in accordance with the substantive provisions of Article 3 and 5 of the WTO Agreement on Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS Agreement).
3. The Parties shall grant to each other's nationals treatment no less favourable than that they accord to nationals of a non-party. Exemptions from this obligation must be in accordance with the substantive provision of the TRIPS Agreement, in particular Articles 4 and 5.
4. Upon request of a Party, the Joint Committee shall review the provisions of this Chapter and Annex XX (Protection of Intellectual Property) with a view to further improve levels of protection and to avoid or remedy trade distortions caused by actual levels of protection of intellectual property rights.
5. The Joint Committee shall keep the implementation of intellectual property rights under review. At the request of a Party, consultations shall take place in the Joint Committee on any matter concerning intellectual property rights.