TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

ARTICLE 15-B.1

Technology transfer

- 1. The State Parties shall facilitate collaboration among enterprises and institutions in their territories, recognising that such collaboration encourages transfer of technology, which includes facilitating flows and absorption of skills, knowledge, ideas, know-how and technology among different stakeholders located in the territories of both State Parties.
- 2. For the purposes of paragraph 1, the State Parties shall, subject to their domestic resources and policies, provide incentives to enterprises and institutions in their respective territories, aimed at promoting technological innovation.

ARTICLE 15-B.2

Cooperation on technology transfer

- 1. For the implementation of this Annex, the State Parties shall encourage cooperation activities in the field of science, technology and innovation with a view to:
- (a) building capacity through the exchange of technical knowledge and best practices in fields of mutual interest;
- (b) raising awareness on accessing technological information in patent documents; and
- (c) exchanging information on intellectual property licensing and commercialisation practices of universities and research institutions.
- 2. The cooperation activities in the field of science, technology and innovation may be accomplished, *inter alia*, by means of facilitating the:

- (a) exchange of scientists, researchers, technicians and experts;
- (b) exchange of information of scientific and technological nature;
- (c) joint organisation of seminars, symposia, conferences and other scientific and technological meetings;
- (d) implementation of joint research and development projects amongst research institutes and universities of State Parties in fields of mutual interest, as well as exchange of the results of such research and development activities;
- (e) organisation of industry-specific missions with a focus on high-growth sectors;
- (f) cooperation in the commercialisation of technologies; and
- (g) any other form of scientific and technological cooperation agreed upon by the State Parties.
- 3. A State Party shall, at the request of another State Party, exchange information on their practices and policies regarding technology transfer, including:
- (a) measures to facilitate information flows;
- (b) initiatives that encourage business and research partnerships; and
- (c) licensing and subcontracting regulations.
- 4. Each State Party shall establish contact points to facilitate collaboration as described in this Annex. The contact points are:
- (a) for Singapore, the Americas Division of the Ministry of Trade and Industry, or its successor;
- (b) for Argentina, el Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación (Programa Nacional de Gestión de Activos Intangibles, Propiedad Intelectual y Transferencia Tecnológica), (the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (National Department of Studies – National

Programme of Intangible Assets, Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer)), or its successor;

- (c) for Brazil, o Ministério do Desenvolvimento, Indústria, Comércio e Serviços Departamento de Negociações Internacional (MDIC/DEINT), (the Ministry of Development, Industry, Trade and Services Department of International Negotiations), or its successor;
- (d) for Paraguay, la Dirección Nacional de Propiedad Intelectual (DINAPI), (the National Directorate of Intellectual Property), or its successor; and
- (e) for Uruguay, la Dirección Nacional de la Propiedad Industrial (DNPI), (the National Directorate of Industrial Property) or its successor.
- 5. The contact points shall meet as necessary to exchange information and consider matters pertaining to this Annex, such as its implementation and administration.