

**Council for Trade-Related Aspects  
of Intellectual Property Rights**

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**MAIN DEDICATED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS AND REGULATIONS  
NOTIFIED UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE AGREEMENT**

GERMANY

Addendum

The present document reproduces recent amendments of the Law on Employee Inventions<sup>1</sup>, as notified by Germany under Article 63.2 of the Agreement by means of a communication from its Permanent Mission, dated 31 July 1998.

**Conseil des aspects des droits de propriété  
intellectuelle qui touchent au commerce**

**PRINCIPALES LOIS ET RÉGLEMENTATIONS CONSACRÉES  
À LA PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE NOTIFIÉES  
AU TITRE DE L'ARTICLE 63:2 DE L'ACCORD**

ALLEMAGNE

Addendum

Le présent document contient le texte des amendements apportés récemment à la Loi relative aux inventions des employés<sup>1</sup>, notifiés par l'Allemagne au titre de l'article 63:2 de l'Accord dans une communication de sa Mission permanente datée du 31 juillet 1998.

**Consejo de los Aspectos de los Derechos de Propiedad  
Intellectual relacionados con el Comercio**

**PRINCIPALES LEYES Y REGLAMENTOS DEDICADOS A LA  
PROPIEDAD INTELECTUAL NOTIFICADOS EN VIRTUD  
DEL PÁRRAFO 2 DEL ARTÍCULO 63 DEL ACUERDO**

ALEMANIA

Addendum

En el presente documento se reproducen las enmiendas recientes de la Ley de Invenciones de los Empleados<sup>1</sup>, notificadas por Alemania en virtud del párrafo 2 del artículo 63 del Acuerdo mediante una comunicación de fecha 31 de julio de 1998 de su Misión Permanente.

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<sup>1</sup> In English only/En anglais seulement/En inglés solamente.

**Excerpt**  
**from the Law to Reform Arbitration Proceedings**  
**(Arbitration Proceedings Reform Law)**

**of 22 December 1997**

The Federal Parliament has passed the following Law:

Article 1 ...

Article 2

... Section 17

**Amendment of the Law**  
**on Employee Inventions**

Section 33 subsection 1 of the Law on Employee Inventions in the revised version published in the Federal Law Gazette, Part III, number 422-1, last amended by Article 56 of the Law of 5 October 1994 (Federal Law Gazette I page 2911), shall be amended as follows:

1. In the first sentence the words "Section 1032 subsection 1, sections 1035 and 1036" shall be replaced by the words "sections 41 to 48, 1042 subsection 1 and section 1050".
2. In the second sentence the words "Section 1034 subsection 1" shall be replaced by the words "Section 1042 subsection 2".

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**Article 5**  
**Entry into Force; Cessation of Force**

(1) This Law shall enter into force, save for Article 1 number 1 and for Article 2 Sections 29 to 31, on the first day of the calendar month following its promulgation.

(2) Article 1 number 1 and Article 2 Sections 29 to 31 of this Law shall enter into force on 1 April 1998.

(3) Article 4 Section 2 of this Law shall enter into force on 1 April 1999.

The constitutional rights of the Federal Council have been heeded.  
The above Law is hereby executed and promulgated in the Federal Law Gazette.

Berlin, 22 December 1997

The Federal President  
Roman Herzog  
The Federal Chancellor  
Dr. Helmut Kohl

The Federal Minister of Justice  
Schmidt-Jortzig

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